

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 14th April 2024

Third Sunday of Easter

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 13th APRIL - 7pm

SUNDAY 14th APRIL - 11am

1. Frank Keenan, Ballycumber Road.
2. Kieran Foley, Athlone Road.

Mon. 15th: 10am

Tues. 16th: 10am - People's Mass.

Wed. 17th: 10am - David Reams (30th A).

Thurs. 18th: 10am - Mattie Mulrooney (5th A).

Fri. 19th: 10am

Sat. 20th: 10am - Johnny Keenaghan and deceased family members.

SATURDAY 20th APRIL - 7pm

1. Dan Foley (1st A).
2. Kieran & Ciss Flynn.
3. Padraig Foley, his parents Tess and Patrick and Willie Hctor and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 21st APRIL - 11am

1. Tommy Moore (Months Mind).
2. Paddy Boland, Kilcolgan and deceased members of the Egan and O'Rourke families.

PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 14th APRIL - 12 noon

1. Mick Clancy.
2. Mary & Albert Nevin and deceased members of the Mannion and Nevin families.

SUNDAY 21st APRIL - 12 noon

1. Paddy Kelly (Months Mind).
2. Christina Kelly & dec'd family members.
3. Egan and Sote families.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 14th APRIL - 9.30am

SUNDAY 21st APRIL - 9.30am

1. Sarah & Joseph Dooley and deceased family members.

MASSES - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5FM Parish Radio. Parish bulletin is available on www.ferbaneparish.ie.

COLLECTIONS - April 7th: Offertory/Shrine €2,330. Thank you.

DAFFODIL DAY - Thank you to all our volunteers, all who supported our collection, the staff in Centra and the Post Office. Total collected was €2,494.53.

PARISH OFFICE - Open every Wednesday from 9am-1pm and 2-5pm. Tel: 090 6454309 or email parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie.

SVP - Confidential phone line 087 9272877.

HIGH STREET / BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP - *Mon. 15th April:* A night of Salads and Desserts with Neasa Robbins in High Street Community Centre at 8pm. Adm. €5. All welcome.

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €8,700; Jackpot €2,700; Star Prize €6,000). Winning numbers were 1, 2, 17, 19. Bonus 20. No jackpot winner. One match three winner. Next draw on Monday 15th April.

FERBANE GAA - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 15, 22, 24, 28. Bonus 7. No jackpot winner. One match 3 winner. Next week's jackpot is €15,000. Draw on Tuesday 16th April.

BELMONT GAA - Our bingo continues every week in association with our new club sponsor CMG (Claims Management Group). Congratulations to last week's winners. Books available in Cahill's until 9pm every Tuesday and online until 2pm Wednesday. Thank you for your continued support.

COFFEE MORNING - Continues on Wednesday 17th April in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road at 10.30am. Bus service as usual. All are welcome.

FERBANE BRIDGE CLUB - Continues on Wednesday 17th April at 7.30pm. All welcome.

KILREHAN CEMETERY - Maintenance meeting on Wednesday 17th April in the Heritage Centre at 8pm. All are welcome.

PROGRESSIVE 25 - Cards every Friday night in Ferbane Heritage Centre at 9pm. All welcome, especially more ladies!

COOLE ECO COMMUNITY, Ferbane, R42 K066 - *Foraging Walk on Sat. 20th April from 2pm - 4pm.* €20 - €30. Learn how to identify and use the abundance of free food and medicine growing around us. *To register:* Info@CooleEcoCommunity.ie or call Siobhán 089-2196045.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE Church Gate Collection Takes place on Saturday 20th / Sunday 21st in our parish. Your support is greatly appreciated.

TRACTOR RUN - In aid of Clonfanlough Hall on Sunday 21st April. Registration from 10am at Shannonbridge GAA Pitch. Run starting at 11.30am sharp followed by finger food in Fallon's Bar. *Route:* Shannonbridge, Clonfanlough, Belmont, Ferbane, Doon, Shannonbridge. Contact Conor 087 6138779.

THE YOUTH 2000 CONNAUGHT RETREAT In Calasancius College, Oranmore, Co. Galway on the weekend of May 10th to 12th, consisting of workshops, talks, testimonies, music, prayer and time to relax and meet with others. Donation only, 16-35 years. To book or for more info, visit www.youth2000.ie or email connaught@youth2000.ie.

BELMONT CAMOGIE - New members welcome. We now have teams catering for girls from U6 to Junior (16 years+). If you are interested in playing, please contact Jacinta 086 4043354.

DOG FOULING - In High Street Cemetery continues to be a problem. Please ensure that your dog is always kept on a leash.

WOULD LIKE SOMEONE TO TALK TO? Senior Line is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year 10am-10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91. Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or for company during their day. Senior Line's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss

options and to refer caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. **Phone Senior Line 1800 80 45 91**, open every day of the year 10am-10pm.

FERBANE BELMONT CE - We currently have vacancies on our scheme for three Groundspersons/ Caretakers, three General Operatives and one Caretaker Cleaner. Successful applicants will continue with all existing benefits with a scheme top up. All successful participants can also avail of training and upskilling. Call 090 6454068.

COMFORT HOMECARE ARE RECRUITING Community Health Care Workers for Offaly. Ferbane, Belmont, Shannon Harbour, Banagher, Birr, Cloghan, Boora, Tullamore, Rahan, Pullough, Clara, Daingean, Geashill etc. **Immediate start.** Email your CV to hrmanager@comforthomecare.ie or phone 085 1552460 for more information. **Requirements:** Full drivers license and own car. QQI Level 5 in Healthcare or working towards, experience in healthcare desirable. **Employee benefits:** Excellent rates of pay. Travel allowance. Flexible working hours. Ongoing training provided. Free Garda vetting. Free uniform.

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

'He showed them His hands and feet'

In World War II a doctor leaned over an horrific wound on the side of a young soldier. As the soldier came around the doctor whispered gently to him: 'I'm sorry son, you will live, but I have to tell you that you have lost your arm'. The soldier smiled and said, 'I didn't lose it, I gave it'. Some wounds can be scars of shame, but others are badges of honour, evidence of love and sacrifice and care. **'Our wounds are often the openings into the best and most beautiful part of us'** (David Richo). In today's Gospel extract, the disciples recognised Jesus in His wounds. When He showed them His hands and feet, they remembered the love that was given and they believed. It called forth a similar love in them. It led them to the shedding of their blood too. On Holy Saturday night we inserted five grains of incense into the Paschal candle to represent the five wounds He carried in His body on the Cross. They remind us of how much we are loved. May we always be aware of His wounds and the wounds of those closest to us who have made us who we are. By His wounds we are healed. By their wounds we were made. We connect at the point of our wounds.