

# Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 11th August 2024

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 10th AUGUST - 7pm

SUNDAY 11th AUGUST - 11am

Mon. 12th: 10am

Tues. 13th: 10am

Wed. 14th: 10am - People's Mass.

Fri. 16th: 10am

Sat. 17th: 10am - 1. John & Sarah Doyle.

Jimmy, Mary Brigid Roche & their son Sammy

2. May Healy.

SATURDAY 17th AUGUST - 7pm

1. John and Molly Maher, Delvin Park.

2. Christy Devery.

SUNDAY 18th AUGUST - 11am

1. Rita & Seamus Clancy.

## SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 11th AUGUST - 12 noon

1. Thomas & Catherine Shea and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 18th AUGUST - 12 noon

1. Bridget Claffey (30th A), her husband Stephen, her daughter Olive and deceased members of the Claffey & Fox families.

## ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 11th AUGUST - 9.30am

SUNDAY 18th AUGUST - 9.30am

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

## Feast of the Assumption

Thursday 15th August

Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil Mass, Wednesday: Ferbane 7pm

Holy Day, Thursday: Boora 9.30am;

Ferbane 11am; Tisaran Cemetery 7pm

*'The Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory'. (Pope Pius XII-1950)*

*'The Feast of the Assumption teaches us that heaven is within reach. Mary, our Mother, takes us by the hand and accompanies us to glory'.*

(Pope Francis)

### COLLECTIONS -

August 4th: Offertory/Shrine €2,440.

Bank Account details -

IBAN: IE39 BOFI 9016 3475 9072 05.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

**BAPTISMS** - We welcome into our Christian Community Hannah Murray and Katie Kenny.

**DEATHS** - We pray for the repose of the souls of Mary Rosney, Leabeg (mother of Tony Rosney, Knockaulin Drive and Joe Rosney, Leabeg); Francis O'Brien, Kiltimagh, Co. Mayo (brother of Noel O'Brien, Delvin Park); Martin Heavey, Rhode (brother of Brigid Brazil, Gallen View) and Bridget Anderson (nee Duffy), Endrim. Rest in peace.

**OUR LADY OF KNOCK NOVENA** (14th-22nd August). Daily ceremonies (3pm & 8pm); Anointing of the Sick (2.30pm). Candlelight Procession each evening. *Guest Speakers:* Dr. Austen Iverleigh; Fr. Richard Leonard SJ; Toni Pyke; Msgr. Kevin Gillespie; Donna Taggart; Judith King; Bishop Kevin Doran; Sr. Orla Treacy; Fr. Michael McCullagh CM; Dr. Gráinne Doherty; Fr. Richard Gibbons; Fr. Jos Moons SJ.

**SVP** - Confidential phone line 087 9272877.

**FR. TOM COX** - Who moves to Keadue, Arigna & Ballyfarnon Parish on August 23rd will celebrate his last weekend Vigil Mass on Saturday, August 17th at 7pm in Shannonbridge Church. There will be a cup of tea and refreshments in Shannonbridge Community Centre afterwards. All are very welcome.

**ST. BERNADETTE OF LOURDES** - Next month the Relics of St Bernadette of Lourdes will be taken to Ireland to visit each diocese. In our own diocese the relics will be in St Mel's Cathedral on Fri. 27th and Sat. 28th Sept. The purpose of this visit is to; *Bring Lourdes to the Faithful*. In other words, to help those who may not be able to travel to Lourdes themselves, to share in some of the atmosphere of prayer and consolation that pilgrims experience, while they are there. This will be an opportunity again to gather together and join in the Message of St Bernadette.

**HIGH ST. CEMETERY** - Maintenance every Tuesday evening at 7pm. Volunteers required.

**KILREHAN CEMETERY** - Grass cutting each Wed. at 7pm. More volunteers needed please.

**BELMONT ANGLERS - Open Competition this Sunday 18th August at the Match Stretch, Shannon Harbour Grand Canal.** Registration and draw 12.30pm, fishing 2pm-6pm. Entry fee €10. Please contact 087 9383553 to book. Sponsored by Bord na Móna renewable. Prizes on the day.

**PROGRESSIVE 25** - Cards every Friday night in Ferbane Heritage Centre at 9pm. All welcome.

**SUMMER FESTIVAL** - Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare, 15th-18th August. Ages 16-35. Donation only. FREE buses. Tel: 01 6753690. Email: office@youth2000.ie / www.youth2000.ie

**THE PRIORY INSTITUTE** - Two week on-line Summer School is reflective, informative and interactive and will run from the 19th August. The course includes eight recorded presentations and three on-line zoom discussions and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more and register prioryinstitute.com.

**BLURB** - Join our Summer Stars Reading Challenge. Each child will receive a booklet to record up to 8 books they read over the summer (4th June-31st August). Call in to Ferbane Library today to sign up today. **PRIZES TO BE WON FOR ALL WHO PARTICIPATE!**

**FERBANE TIDY TOWNS** - Would like to offer the opportunity to another local Community Group/Club to host a simple Ceremony for the **Turning On of the Christmas Lights on the 1st Sunday of December 2024**. Unfortunately, due to FTT volunteers focusing on other major projects for the town throughout the

year; time, volunteers and resources are limited. The core number of volunteers who carry out the technical aspects of the Christmas Street Lights will continue to do so. If any community group is interested in presenting a ceremony please contact us on 087 618 4729. Thank you.

**GALLEN COMMUNITY SCHOOL** - Caretaker required for 20 hours per week for evening work. Please contact 085 2844862 or contact the Secretary in Gallen Community School.

**FERBANE BELMONT CE** - Are you in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment. We currently have vacancies on our scheme for one Groundsperson/Caretaker, one General Operative 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. For more information call 090 6454068.

## 19th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

*'Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.'*

In today's extract from the 'Bread Section' of St. John's Gospel Jesus makes an extraordinary promise. If we eat His flesh and drink His blood we will live with Him forever. There has never been a greater promise made in the whole of history. By sharing in the Eucharist we share in the life of God. As we consume the Eucharist, the Eucharist is meant to consume us. Our vision becomes Christ's vision. Our hopes and dreams are shaped by His hopes and dreams. Our hearts become His heart reaching out to all of humanity, or as Pope St. Leo the Great proclaimed: *'The effect of receiving the Body and Blood of Christ is that we become what we receive'*. We are dealing with mystery when we contemplate the priceless gift of the Eucharist. A young boy once asked an electrician: 'What exactly is electricity?' The electrician answered: 'I really do not know, son, but I can make it give you light'. Likewise, the Church can never fully explain the stupendous mystery of the Eucharist, but she can make it give us the life of Jesus. The Irish people have, through the ages, embraced the mystery and treasured the gift. When the last Chief Secretary of Ireland, Augustine Birrell, was asked by London to report on the level of faith and practice in Ireland he gave a one sentence reply: *'For the Irish it's the Mass that matters'*. May it always be so.