

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 1st September 2024

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 31st AUGUST - 7pm

1. Tommy Cooney, Athlone Road.

SUNDAY 1st SEPTEMBER - 11am

Mon. 2nd: 10am

Tues. 3rd: 10am

Wed. 4th: 10am - People's Mass.

Thurs. 5th: 10am

Fri. 6th: 10am - First Friday.

Sat. 7th: 10am

SATURDAY 7th SEPTEMBER - 7pm

1. Bridget Anderson (*Months Mind*).
2. Michael Kenny, Ballyclare (*3rd A*).

SUNDAY 8th SEPTEMBER - 11am

1. Sonny Keenaghan.
2. Kevin Keenaghan.

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 1st SEPTEMBER - 12 noon

1. Stephen Rigney, Clonboniff.
2. Paddy & Eileen Melia, sons Gerard & Michael, daughter Helen.
Nan & Ber Coughlan and their baby son, Peter. Ellen & Paddy Kelly.
3. Joan & Loretta Dalton, their father Saran and grandparents Robert & Bridget and dec'd family members.

Fri. 6th: 8pm - First Friday.

Sean & Anne Murphy.

SUNDAY 8th SEPTEMBER - 12 noon

1. Tommy & Nancy Daly and deceased family members.

2. John & Mary Larkin and their granddaughter Esther Larkin.
3. Paddy Kenny, Clononeybeg.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 1st SEPTEMBER - 9.30am

1. Martin & Mary Coughlan and their son Marty.

Fri. 6th: 7pm - First Friday.

SUNDAY 8th SEPTEMBER - 9.30am

1. Theresa Rosney (*Months Mind*).

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

COLLECTIONS -

August 25th: Offertory/Shrine €2,350.

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@ferbane-parish.ie.

DEATHS - Please pray for the repose of the souls of Rita Gunning, Belmont; Carmel Byrne, Clara (sister of Mary Rigney, Ballylin) and Peter Melia, Clara (father of Gabriella Sheridan, Aughaboy). May they rest in peace.

CLONMACNOISE PATTERN DAY -

Sunday, September 15th, N37 V292.

2.45pm: Pattern Prayers. 3pm: Pattern Mass.

SVP - Confidential phone line 087 9272877.

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 Friday 27th and Saturday 28th September. 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. All welcome to join in the Message of St. Bernadette.

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

ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP, High Street
Next meeting Tuesday 3rd September in High Street Hall at 2.30pm. New members very welcome. For further information phone Maura on 086 1222974.

B.H.M. Community Development Group - Monthly meeting will be held on this Tuesday 3rd September at 9pm in High Street Community Centre. All are welcome. Special word of thanks to our community on keeping the area looking so well over the summer months. Tidy towns results will be available this month.

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

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

MIZEN TO MALIN 2024 Cycle of Hope - Local man George Digan will take part in this year's 728km challenge from September 7th to 14th hoping to raise funds to support Cycle against Suicide (CAS) locally and nationally. If you wish to donate, please follow the link on George Digan Instagram page (CAS). *It's OK not to feel OK, and it is absolutely OK to ask for help.*

BELMONT ANGLERS - Open competition on Sunday 8th September at the Match Stretch, Shannonharbour. Registration at 12-30pm and draw fishing 2-6pm. Entry fee €10. Please contact 087 9383553. Pre booking is essential. Prizes on the day. All are welcome to participate.

THE GANLEY SCHOOL of Irish Dancing - Resumes on Monday 9th Sept. in the Heritage Centre, Ferbane. Beginners at 6pm, advanced dancers at 6.45pm. Classes for adults start in Dun-na-Sí Moate on Wed. 9th October at 8.30pm. Enquiries to Joe Ganley 087 6473497.

GALLEN GIRL GUIDES - Registration Night will be held on Monday 9th September, 7.30-8.30pm in the Heritage Centre. We are in desperate need of leaders/helpers. If you are interested please come along.

ANAM CARA MIDLANDS - The organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 11th September at 7.15pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. This event is FREE. For more information call 01 4045378.

STUDY THEOLOGY ONLINE - Is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before September 17th. Find out more on our website, prioryinstitute.com.

MUSIC NIGHT - In Teach Lea, Boora on Wednesday 18th September. Various local musicians. Folk, Trad and a touch of Country in aid of Offaly Prolife in association with the Prolife Campaign. Tickets €10 available from John Egan 086 8174524.

SYNTROPIC AGROFORESTRY WORKSHOP
September 21st - 22nd. €110 - €230. Coole Eco Community, Ferbane. Learn how to use trees to increase productivity and reduce farm inputs. For more information and to register: Info@CooleEcoCommunity.ie or call Siobhán: 089-2196045.

FERBANE Business & Technology Park CLG - AGM on Thursday 26th September in the Mary Ward Heritage Centre at 8pm. FB&TP CLG is a not-for-profit company, fully owned by the community with the main objective of supporting the creation of jobs in the Ferbane Catchment Area by providing infrastructure and supports to encourage business start-ups. There are now more than 150 people employed either full-time or part-time in companies operating out of Ferbane Business & Technology Park. Anyone interested in assisting with the continued development of this important Community Project will be very welcome to attend this meeting.

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.

FOUND - Single house key in Ferbane Business & Technology Park. Contact Brosna Press.

22nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

'This people honours me only with lip service,
while their hearts are far from me'

It's the heart that matters! Jesus returned to this theme often in His preaching. It was a revolutionary message at that time. Central to the religion of the day was the strict observance of rules, regulations and rituals, and the avoidance of foods that were 'unclean'. The Law had become an end in itself. Jesus respected the Law but He despised legalism. He warned against identifying religion with performing external acts. He presented a very different vision, a liberating path, a religion centred on the heart. He directed His listeners to look inwards, reminding them that the heart is the fountain from which all things spring, good or evil. True religion is indeed heart work and the art of authentic Christian living consists in the rhyming of wholesome hearts with worthwhile deeds. If we get the heart right, beautiful deeds will flow. We will reach out to our brothers, sisters and all living things with kindness, tolerance, compassion and respect. May He, who alone can see the 'inside' make our hearts all that they were meant to be: 'I believe that the only true religion is having a good heart'. (*Dalai Lama*)