

# Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 17th November 2024

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 16th NOVEMBER - 7pm

1. Eugene & Elizabeth Nugent, their sons Tom, Jim and Hughie, daughters Kathleen, Maureen and Anne.
2. Michael & Nellie Byrne and deceased family members.
3. Thomas & Rose Coughlan.
4. Eddie Joe & Teresa Dooley and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER - 11am

1. Martina Boland and her sons Martin & Aaron and her sister Joan Larkin.
2. Patrick & Bridget Egan, Glebe.
3. Jimmy & Madge Brazil.

*Mon. 18th: 10am*

*Tues. 19th: 10am - People's Mass.*

*Wed. 20th: 10am - Deceased members & friends of the Wednesday Coffee Morning Group.*

*Thurs. 21st: 10am*

*Fri. 22nd: 10am*

*Sat. 23rd: 10am - Cecilia Corcoran (1st A).*

SATURDAY 23rd NOVEMBER - 7pm

1. Jimmy, Bridgie & Molly Clancy, Ballylamon.
2. Kieran & Nancy Egan, Ballyvora.
3. Tom & Marie Kenny and their daughter-in-law Andrea.

SUNDAY 24th NOVEMBER - 11am

1. Susan Rosney.
2. Patrick & Teresa Sheridan and their sons Thomas & Gerard.
3. Bernard & Kathleen Keenaghan.

## SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER - 12 noon

1. Kieran Caulfield (*Months Mind*).
2. Martin & Bernadette Doolan and deceased family members, Lisclooney.

SUNDAY 24th NOVEMBER - 12 noon

*Family Mass and Pray & Play*

1. Brian & Maureen Cahill and deceased members of the Cahill & Molloy families.

## ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER - 9.30am

SUNDAY 24th NOVEMBER - 9.30am

### NOVEMBER Month of the Holy Souls

*Praying for the dead and asking God to welcome them into His presence forever helps Christians to reflect on the true meaning of life and death.* (Pope Francis)

Masses: Boora: Wed. 7pm. High St: Fri. 8pm

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

**COLLECTIONS** - *November 10th:*

Offertory/Shrine €2,385. Thank you.

Bank Account details -

IBAN: IE39 BOFI 9016 3475 9072 05.

**FAMILY MASS and Pray & Play** - Sunday 24th November in High Street at 12 noon.

**DEATHS** - We pray for the repose of the souls of Caoimin Keeshan, Shinrone (brother of Mary McCormack); Eileen Kenny, Athlone (sister of Joe Boland, Delvin Park); Niall Mitchell, Canal Line, Ferbane and George Vaugh, Birr (brother of Freddie Vaugh, Rosfaraghan). May they rest in peace.

SVP - Confidential phone line 087 9272877.

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

**SENIOR CITIZENS Young at Heart Christmas Party** Church Gate Collection will take place this weekend 16th / 17th November.

Your support is greatly appreciated. The party will take place on Sun. 8th Dec. in Gallen Community School commencing with Mass at 1.30pm.

**HIGH STREET / BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP** - *Mon. 18th Nov:* NO meeting as hall is not available. *Tues. 19th Nov:* We would appreciate help in getting ready for the Christmas Market. All welcome to High Street Hall at 8pm. Donations greatly appreciated. *Note for your diary:* Christmas Market on Sunday 1st December in High Street Hall from 10am - 2.30pm. All local crafts. Raffle on the day. Please support.

**GALLEN UNITED** - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €9,000; Jackpot €1,500; Star Prize €7,500). Winning numbers were 7, 10, 21, 24. Bonus 3. No jackpot winner. Two match three winners. Next draw on Monday 18th November.

**BELMONT GAA** - Weekly bingo continues every week and books can be purchased online until 2pm every Wed. or from Joe Cahill's shop until 9pm every Tues. evening. Thank you for your support.

**FERBANE GAA** - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 1,5, 6, 14. Bonus 16. No jackpot winner. Three match three winners. Next week's jackpot is €7,400. Draw on Tues. 19th November.

**FERBANE COFFEE MORNING** - Continues on Wed. 20th November in the Social Hall (Bridge), Ballycumber Road at 10.30am. Bus as usual.

**LUNCH CLUBS** - Offaly Healthy Homes Project's next Lunch Club will take place on Thursday 21st November from 12.30pm to 3.30pm in High Street Hall. This Lunch Club is open to all over the age of 55 and provides you with a safe place for some good food where you can enjoy the company of your friends and neighbours. For just €10 per person you will get to enjoy a lovely dinner, dessert, tea/coffee and great entertainment. Booking is essential. Please contact Shirley on 087 2175998 if you are interested in attending.

**FERBANE PARISH COMMUNITY ALERT** A.G.M. will be held on Friday 22nd November at 7pm in Ferbane Heritage Centre. All welcome.

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

**NAOMH CIARÁN** - Are holding a Clothes Collection on Saturday 23rd November between 10am and 11am at Ferbane GAA Centre. Please support the Club by donating your pre-loved clothes, shoes, handbags and belts.

**CHRISTMAS PRESENT for those abroad** - *As The Years I Backward Span* - collected essays on the Wonders of Ferbane by Brendan Ryan (€25). Postage to anywhere in the world (until December 15th 2024). Outlets O'Callaghans Centra, Ferbane and Ryan's of Ballyclare (086 0693670).

**FERBANE BELMONT CE** - Are you signing for credits or in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment. We currently have vacancies on our scheme for one Groundsperson/Caretaker, General Operative, Caretaker Cleaner and Administration person. Successful applicants will continue with all existing benefits with a scheme top up. All successful participants can also avail of training and upskilling. For information call 090 6454068.

## 33rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

'Heaven and earth will pass away'

There is something about the month of November that invites us to reflect on endings and beginnings. As winter tightens its grip and the landscape becomes increasingly barren we are confronted with the stark truth that this world as we know it will pass away. The Word of God these Sundays asks us to live with this awareness. We are reminded that all life is a preparation to meet the King. One day we will stand before Him to account for our stewardship, for the choices we have made. If we have chosen wisely, the end times are not to be feared, but to be anticipated joyfully. Unwise choices have consequences also. **'If in the end we have not chosen God, then it will not matter what else we have chosen'** (C.S. Lewis). Former U.S. president Jimmy Carter suggested that 'we should live our lives each day as though Christ were coming in the afternoon'. His advice is wise. All spectacular achievement is preceded by unspectacular preparation, and by preparing for death we actually clarify life. Doesn't it make sense to be prepared?