

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 20th January 2019

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSSES - ST. MARY'S CHURCH, FERBANE

Saturday 19th / Sunday 20th January

7pm Sat. Tommy Smollen.

Do This in Memory.

11.00am Kay Walsh (*Months Mind*).

7pm Sun. -

Mon. 21st: 10am - Patrick & Jane Devery.

Tues. 22nd: 10am

Wed. 23rd: 10am - People's Mass.

Thurs. 24th, Fri. 25th: 10am

Sat. 26th: 10am

Saturday 26th / Sunday 28th January

7pm Sat. Ultan & Annie McCabe and their daughters Lily & Bridie.

11.00am -

7pm Sun. The Kelly & Egan Families.

MASSSES - SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

Sunday 20th January

12 noon 1. Stephen Claffey (*Months Mind*).

2. Paddy Malone (*1st A*).

3. Michelle Kenny & Tom Flynn.

4. Patrick Feeney.

5. Bertie McKeown.

Do This in Memory.

Sunday 27th January

12 noon 1. Alo Kenny (*Months Mind*), his sister Josie, his parents Paddy & Bridget and brother Kieran and deceased family members.

2. John Connolly, Belmont and deceased family members and grandson Paul Gerard Kelly.

3. William & Margaret Ryan.

4. Philomena, Patrick & Maisie Ryan.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

There are seven miracles of Jesus recorded in the Gospel of St. John. They are referred to as 'signs'. The spectacular drama of the Wedding Feast of Cana is a case in point. It teaches us, that, when Jesus is invited into a situation, He transforms it for the better. He alone can restore hope when the wine of life runs out. The abundance of wine in the story points to the limitless generosity of God. He takes delight in granting us all we need. The contribution of the servants who filled the stone jars reminds us that the Lord relies on us to be His instruments in the world. And, finally we take note of Mary's instruction to the servants, which are her last recorded words in the Bible: 'Do whatever He tells you.' It would make a wise New Year's resolution!

MASSSES - ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

Sunday 20th January

9.30am Kieran & Margaret Farrelly, Turraun.

Sunday 27th January

9.30am Charles Whelehan, his father Charlie, his mother Mary Kate, his grandparents Catherine & Christy Delaney, Angie & Paddy Horan & Margaret Taylor.

COLLECTIONS - 13th Jan.: *Offertory*: €2,225; *Shrine*: €595. *Lourdes Fund*: €1,750.

ALTAR SOCIETY - Group 2.

DEATHS - Please pray for the repose of the souls of *John Lyons, Mountbolus* (father of Sean Lyons Leabeg, Boora); *Mollie Ennis, Dunboyne, Co. Meath* and *Bridie Browne, England* (sisters of Peg Rafferty, Ballycumber Road). May they rest in peace.

CHURCH UNITY WEEK - From Friday 18th to Friday 25th January the Church begins a week of prayer for Christian Unity as Jesus desires.

ST. SARAN'S FEAST DAY - 20th January, St. Saran, a seventh century Saint, travelled from Clonmacnoise and founded his Church on the bank of the River Brosna in Moystown Demesne. The original Gaelic name for this Church was "Cill Beg" meaning a small Church and later it became known as "Tigh Saran", meaning the house or in this case the Church of Saran. It is from this origin that this area of Tisaran in our Parish gets its present day name. This site is also the burial place of Fr. Stephen Daly, a native of the area, who was the first Capuchin Priest to serve in Ireland. St. Saran's Holy Well is also to be found nearby in Moystown Demesne, not far from where Moystown House once stood. St. Saran's Holy Well was originally known as "Tobarsaran" meaning the well of Saran. These two sites, St. Saran's Church and St. Saran's Holy Well would have been major places of worship and pilgrimage in earlier Christian times. St. Saran died in 661 AD and his Feast Day falls on this Sunday 20th January.

MOATE BUSINESS COLLEGE - *Adult Education Night Classes Registration evening* is this Monday 21st January between 7-9pm and classes will start the following week. Check out www.moatebusinesscollege.com or Facebook page.

CHOIR PRACTICE - In Ferbane Church on Monday 21st January at 8pm.

GALLEN UTD - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €20,000 = Jackpot €10,000; Star Prize €10,000). Winning numbers in last week's draw 12, 13, 16, 28. Bonus 2. No jackpot winner. Two match 3 winners. Next draw on Monday 21st January.

HIGH STREET / BELMONT ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP - Resumes on Tuesday 22nd January, High Street Hall, 2.30pm.

NAOMH CIARÁN - U14 returns for 2019 on Tuesday 22nd January at 7pm. This will be a players meeting but can we ask parents to please attend as we would like to discuss logistics for the coming year also.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - Meeting on Tues. 22nd January, Fr. Peter's house, 8pm.

FERBANE G.A.A. - *Lotto*: Winning numbers in last week's draw 1, 6, 9, 28. Bonus 13. No jackpot winner. Seven match 3 winners. Next draw on Tuesday 22nd January at 10pm with a jackpot of €20,000.

COFFEE MORNING - Resumes on Wed. 23rd January in Ferbane Heritage Centre at 10.30am. Bus service as usual. All welcome young and old.

FERBANE PRAYER GROUP - A Prayer meeting brings people together for prayer and sharing the Word of God. In sharing the Bible, we come to know Jesus our Saviour, our brother and best friend. You are very welcome to the next Prayer Meeting on Wednesday 23rd January at 4pm in St. Cynoc's Junior School.

JOHN WATERS - Talk along with pro life speakers in the Longford Arms Hotel on Wednesday 23rd January at 7.30pm, located in the small ballroom suite. Organised by Family & Life.

CARDS - Progressive 25, single hand, in Ferbane GAA Clubhouse every Wed. at 8.45pm.

LOCAL HISTORIAN - Aidan Doyle will give a presentation "*Blood, Cage & Gore - from Endrim's Barrack Hill to the Wild West via Cage's bridge: a story of famine, murder and excess*" on Saturday 26th January at 8pm in Ferbane Heritage Centre. Admission is FREE and light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Meeting in Teach Lea, Boora, Saturday evening at 8.30pm.

PARISH CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME - "*You will be my Witnesses*" begins Mon. 28th Jan. at 7.30pm in St. Cynoc's Junior School for Confirmation candidates from High Street and Ferbane Primary Schools.

COURSE VACANCIES - The National Learning Network, Athlone currently have vacancies on our Vocational Training Programmes. If you are unemployed, have experienced a personal setback, illness or disability and need support - our specialised programmes may be for you or someone you know. Qualifications can be gained at your own pace whilst retaining your existing benefits. Contact 090 6479293 / 087 2586033.

FERBANE APOSTOLIC WORK - We would appreciate any used stamps you may have. Please leave them into St. Joseph's Convent.

CONCERN - Are most grateful to all who contributed so generously to their recent Church Gate Collection which realised €1,499.08. Thanks also to the collectors.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Meetings each week in Ferbane. Contact 01 852 7000.

SVP - Confidential number 087 9272877.

PEAT BEDDING - For sale and delivery. 087 9105359.

INVITATION TO MINISTRIES - We would be happy to hear from anyone who may wish to volunteer in parish ministries i.e. Adoration, Readers, Choirs, Church Care, Eucharistic Ministers, Funeral Stewards, Collectors.

PARISH OFFICE - Wednesday from 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm. Tel: 090 6454309

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Bulletin deadline is 3pm on Wednesday.