

# Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 8th September 2019

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## MASSES - CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

Saturday 7th / Sunday 8th September

- 7pm Sat. 1. Peter Guinan, Ballylin.  
2. Johnny Keenaghan and his parents.

11am -  
7pm Sun. Seamus Claffey (1st A).

Mon. 9th & Tues. 10th: 10am

Wed. 11th: 10am - People's Mass.

Thurs. 12th & Fri. 13th: 10am

Sat. 14th: 10am - Maureen & Tom Murphy.

Saturday 14th / Sunday 15th September

7pm Sat. Mary Rourke and Bridie & Patsy Rourke.

- 11am 1. John Joe Keenaghan.  
2. Jack & Kathleen Wynne, Rosfaraghan.

7pm Sun. 1. Brigie Walsh (1st A).

2. Mary, Bridget & Jimmy Clancy.

## MASSES - SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

Sunday 8th September

- 12 noon 1. Joe & Annie Kenny, Fadden.  
2. Pat Joe Killian, his baby son Gerard, his grandson Steven and his parents James & Annie Killian and his sister Mary Jane Dervan.  
3. Kieran Feeney.

Sunday 15th September

12 noon *Funeral Mass:* Thomas Kenny, London formerly Ballyclare.

1. Jimmy Cox, Clononey.  
2. Patrick, Alice & John Guinan, Keelogue.

## MASSES - ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

Sunday 8th September

9.30am Marty Coughlan (2nd A).

Sunday 15th September

9.30am -

ALTAR SOCIETY - Group 3.

## TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

'Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple'.

What is a disciple? According to GK Chesterton, Jesus promised His disciples three things: that they would be completely fearless, absurdly happy and in constant trouble. Being a disciple, then, is exceedingly rewarding but extraordinarily demanding. It is much more than being a follower. **It is in essence the call to become who Jesus would be if He were you.** Wearing a cross does not make you a disciple; carrying your cross does. The halfway Christian is a contradiction. As St. Thomas More was being led to his execution on July 6th 1535 for refusing to bend to the will of King Henry VIII he uttered the immortal words: 'I die the king's loyal servant, but God's first.' That is what it means to be a disciple.

COLLECTION 31st August/1st September -

*Offertory:* €2,425; *Shrine:* €195

**DEATHS** - Please pray for the repose of the soul of *Oliver Redican, late of The Hill, Clonfanlough* and *Michael Rigney, Clonboniffe* both of whom died recently. May they rest in peace.

**FERBANE ATHLETIC CLUB - Juvenile Cross Country Training** each Sunday from 10-10.45am. *Venue:* Gallen Priory Field. All athletes from 8 years to 18 years are welcome.

**PILGRIM WALK TO CLONMACNOIS** - Sunday 8th September from Clonbonny, Athlone (Aldi road, continue for 5km park after Bog Rail crossing) to Clonmacnoise. Meeting in Clonbonny at 10.30am to arrive at Pattern 2pm. Bus return via Shannonbridge (stopping for refreshments) €5. Booking via Email to clonmacnoisesummerschool2019@outlook.com

**RASHINA VINTAGE CLUB ANNUAL THRESHING & WORKING FIELD DAY** - Will take place on Sunday 8th September in Moony's Field, Doon from 12 noon. All are welcome.

ANNUAL PATTERN DAY AT

**CLONMACNOIS** - Takes place on Sun. 8th Sept. Mass 3pm. Pattern Prayers beginning at 2.45pm. *Homilist:* Bishop Emeritus Colm O'Reilly.

**GANLEY SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCING** - Resumes on Monday 9th Sept. in Ferbane Heritage Centre. Beginners at 6pm. Advanced 6.45pm. Contact Joe 087 6473497.

**BOORA JUNIOR BADMINTON** - Play will resume on Monday 9th Sept. Sessions run from 6.30-8pm for Primary School players and 8-9.30pm for Secondary School players.

**ST. CIARÁN'S DAY** - Mass on Monday 9th September at 7pm at Clonmacnois Monastic Site. All welcome.

**INFORMATION EVENING** - For parents/guardians for the *Do This in Memory* programme for First Communion children takes place on Mon. 9th Sept. in St. Cynoc's Junior NS at 8pm.

**GALLEN UNITED - Lotto Draw (Prize fund €13,500 = Jackpot €3,500; Star Prize €10,000).** Winning numbers 1, 7, 8, 21. Bonus 22. No jackpot winner. One match 3 winner. Next draw on Monday 9th September.

**FERBANE PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP** - Will commence on Tuesday 10th September from 10am until 11.30am in the Heritage Centre. Admission is €3 per family. All new Mummy's, Daddy's, Carer's and Grandparents are welcome.

**AEROBIC & FITNESS CLASS** - High Street Hall every Tuesday at 10am sharp. Commencing Tuesday 10th September.

**HIGH STREET/BELMONT ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP** - We are having a "Meet & Greet" at 2.30pm in High Street Hall, on Tuesday 10th September. We look forward to welcoming back our regular members and meeting new ones. Please come and join us.

**GALLEN CEMETERY** - Clean-up every Tuesday morning at 10am. Volunteers welcome. Contact Marian 087 2389233.

**FERBANE G.A.A. - Lotto:** Winning numbers in last week's draw 9, 17, 23, 27. Bonus 16. No jackpotwinner. 6 match 3 winners. Next draw Tues. 10th September at 10pm. Jackpot €4,400.

**FERBANE PRAYER GROUP** - Come together to give praise and thanks to God and to ask for the needs of all His people. You are welcome to the Prayer Meeting at 4pm on Wednesday 11th September in St. Cynoc's Junior School.

**CARDS** - Progressive 25, single hand, in Ferbane GAA Clubhouse every Wednesday at 9pm.

**CEMETERY MASS** - In *Stonepark Children's Graveyard* on Thursday 12th September at 7pm.

**PILATES** - High Street Hall every Thursday at 8pm sharp. Commencing Thursday 12th September.

**OFFALY HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING** - Takes place on Thursday 19th September. If you would like to Be a Host for Hospice please contact Offaly Hospice on 086 8595046 for your Coffee Morning Pack or support by attending a Hospice Coffee Morning in your area.

**FERBANE LIBRARY - Children's Knitting Classes** will resume on Thursday 19th September at 6.30. Booking essential as places are limited. *Knitting classes for adults:* If you'd like to learn how to knit, or already know the basics and would like to get more adventurous please contact the Library on (090) 6454259.

**LONGFORD PRO-LIFE** - Meeting at John Browne's Pub, Market Square, Longford town on Thursday 19th September at 8.30pm. For enquiries call on 089 4634558. Please get involved, we need your help.

**BELMONT GAA FUNDRAISER** - Belmont Hurling Club would like to sincerely thank all who supported our recent fundraising draw. 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize went to Hugh Mannion, Belmont; Liam Darcy, Clonascra; and John Fox, Banagher. For a full list of the 10 prize winners please consult our social media pages or our GAA notes in the Midland Tribune.

**WEST OFFALY TRAINING** - Are running some great courses over the Autumn. Call 057 9152003 for info.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** - Meetings each week in Ferbane. Contact 01 8527000.

**SVP** - Confidential helpline 087 9272877.

**AUTUMN STATIONS** - Bookings are now being taken for the Autumn stations please contact Fiona at the Parish office 090 6454309.

**SEPTEMBER is a month where many people consider something new.** If you'd like to help in the Mission of this Parish by helping as a Server, Reader, Choir, Church Cleaning, Eucharistic Minister or any role we'd love to hear from you. Contact the Parish Office (Wednesdays) 090 6454309 or Sr. Joseph 087 7912586.

**ST. CIARÁN'S PASTORAL AREA** - We wish Fr. Aidan Ryan and Fr. Michael Scanlon good health and happiness in their retirement. We wish God's peace and strength to Fr. Pierre Pepper and Fr. PJ Hughes as they take up their new appointments in Athlone and Mullahoran. We extend a warm céad míle fáilte to Fr. Pat Kiernan (Banagher/Cloghan) and Fathers Brendan O'Sullivan and Joseph Okere (Ballinahown/Boher/Pullough). May the Holy Spirit be their guide, and may their ministry bring many blessings on our Pastoral Area.

**PARISH OFFICE** - Wed. from 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm. **Bulletin deadline is 3pm on Wednesday.** Tel: 090 6454309. Email: parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie.