

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 13th October 2019

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES - CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

Saturday 12th / Sunday 13th October

- 7pm Sat. 1. Tom Claffey, Main Street.
2. James Peavoy, his wife Susan and daughter Kathleen.

11am Michael, Bridget & Nuala Lonican and Maureen Larkin.

7pm Sun. Josie (nee Moore) & Bill O'Connor.

Mon. 14th & Tues. 15th: 10am

Wed. 16th: 10am - People's Mass.

Thurs. 17th & Fri. 18th: 10am

Sat. 19th: 10am - Paddy Walsh, Athlone Road.

Saturday 19th / Sunday 20th October

- 7pm Sat. 1. Kate Daly (*Months Mind*).
2. John & Annie Grogan
3. Tom Dunican and deceased family members.

11am 1. Brendan Dermody & dec'd members of Brendan's and Angela's families.
2. Katie Buckley (*2nd A*) & deceased members of the Buckley family.

7pm Sun. Thomas Kenny (*Months Mind*).

MASSES - SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

Sunday 13th October

12 noon Mary Connolly and deceased family members.

Sunday 20th October

12 noon -

MASSES - ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

Sunday 13th October

9.30am -

Sunday 20th October

9.30am -

ALTAR SOCIETY - Group 3.

COLLECTION 5th/6th October -

Offeritory: €2,365; Shrine: €370

MARRIAGE - Congratulations to *Fiona Claffey & Damien Griffin* who were married in Ferbane this weekend.

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

The one who said thanks was a Samaritan. Auschwitz survivor, Eli Wiesel offers this insightful reflection on the subject of gratitude: 'no one is as capable of gratitude as the one who has emerged from the kingdom of the night'. It is indeed the one who has been sick who appreciates health; the one who knew poverty who treasures wealth; the one who was incarcerated who values being free. Today's Gospel extract is a case in point. We hear of the Samaritan leper who said thanks when he was healed by Jesus. The despised foreigner, the untouchable outsider shows gratitude. Could it be that his suffering opened the door to thankfulness? We pray for thankful hearts always, believing, in the words of American self-help author, Melody Beattie that 'gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today and creates a vision for tomorrow'. Gratitude turns what we have into enough!

EXTRAORDINARY MONTH OF MISSION 2019

In his World Mission Sunday message, Pope Francis writes: 'I am a mission, always; every baptised man and woman is a mission'. Through our faith we are called to be missionary, to support and care for those in need, not just those near us but also our brothers and sisters in the wider Church family. Sunday next is World Mission Sunday. It is a special day for us to act out our Baptismal calling through our generous gifts and prayers.

HOUR OF PRAYER & REFLECTION to mark this special month of Mission in Ferbane Church on Thursday 24th October at 8pm.

BAPTISMS - We welcome in to our Christian Community *Daniel Rohan, Lucy Harbourne and Arlo Jordan Spollen*.

DEATHS - We pray for the souls of *Raymond Smyth, Dublin* (brother of Betty Harrington, Athlone Road), *Karl Walsh, Clara* (nephew of Martin O'Rourke, Ballyclare). Rest in peace.

COLLECTION for the Homeless for Thomond House, Limerick this weekend. Please support.

GOOD LUCK - To our Senior team in the County Final V Rhode in O'Connor Park, Tullamore today at 3.30pm. Beir bua agus beannacht.

THE PRO LIFE CAMPAIGN - Has welcomed the success of the movie 'Unplanned' in Irish cinemas after its run was extended for the coming week. The movie which tells the true story of Abby Johnson's change of mind from being the director of one of Planned Parenthood's largest abortion clinics to one of the most prominent pro-life advocates in the US, reached No. 4 in box office sales after its release in the US. 'Unplanned' opened in Irish cinemas last weekend and is being screened in the IMC Tullamore and continues until Thurs. 17th Oct.

FERBANE LIBRARY - Will be unstaffed from Sat. 12th to Sat. 19th October inclusive. MOL will be in operation outside of staffed times. To join MOL go to ferbanelibrary@offalycoco.ie or 090 6454259.

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

HIGH STREET / BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP - Mon. 14th October, High Street Hall, 8pm.: *Easy Exercise Class* with Denise Coghill, Offaly Co. Council. All welcome.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - Meeting on Mon. 14th Oct. at 8pm. Confidential phone line 087 9272877.

GALLEN UNITED - Lotto Draw (Prize fund €14,000 = Jackpot €4,000; Star Prize €10,000). Winning numbers 14, 16, 17, 20. Bonus 13. No jackpot or match 3 winner. Two book prizes. Next draw on Monday 14th October.

FERBANE PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP Continues every Tuesday from 10am until 11.30am in the Heritage Centre. Admission is €3 per family.

AEROBIC & FITNESS CLASS - High Street Hall every Tuesday at 10am sharp.

HIGH STREET / BELMONT ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP - Going for a walk on Tues. 15th October. Please meet at Ferbane Church car park at 2.30pm. *Art & Yoga* continues as usual.

FERBANE G.A.A. - Lotto: Winning numbers in last week's draw 1, 5, 7, 24. Bonus 10. No jackpot winner. Four match 3 winner. Next draw Tuesday 15th October at 10pm. Jackpot €5,400.

FERBANE PRAYER GROUP - You are welcome to the Prayer Meeting on Wed. 16th Oct. at 4pm in St. Cynoc's Junior School.

FERBANE PARISH COMMUNITY ALERT - Meeting on Wednesday 16th October in Ferbane Business Park from 7.30-8.30pm, regarding CCTV Federation for Ferbane.

HIGH STREET / BELMONT SOCIAL DANCING - Classes continue on Wed. 16th October at 8pm. Adm. €8. All welcome. *Annual Social Dance* in aid of Offaly Branch of IKA in Rath Hall on Thurs. 24th October at 9.30pm. Adm €10. Refreshments served.

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY - Committee meeting, Fr. Peter's house, Wed. 16th October at 8pm. All existing and new members welcome.

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

DÓCHAS OFFALY CANCER SUPPORT GROUP - Bereavement Information Evening in the Dóchas Centre on Thursday 17th October, 7.30-9pm. All are welcome. For info. contact 057 9328268 or info@dochasoffaly.ie

PILATES - High Street Hall every Thurs. at 8pm sharp.
BAPTISM MEETING - A baptism preparation meeting for parents of children born in our Pastoral area and to be baptised will take place on **Thursday 17th October at 8pm in the Granary, Boher**. Please confirm as soon as possible with Fr. Brendan at 057 9336119.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND 18-20 October - For people who have lost a spouse through death, divorce or separation, Esker Retreat Centre, Athenry. Contact 087 6646896 or 087 9881143.

CLONMACNOIS PRAYER VIGIL - In Cluain Chiaráin Prayer Centre on Friday 18th October. Mass at 9pm. Adoration and prayers follow until 2.10am. All welcome. Enquiries to Dave 085-7746763.

HIGH ST. DRAMA GROUP - Hope to stage a play in the coming season and would welcome anyone interested in taking part, on or back stage. Why not see what it could mean to you by attending an open meeting in High Street Community Centre on Monday 21st October at 8pm. All new and former members very welcome.

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

NEW MASS TIMES in Cloghan and Banagher. *Banagher*: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 11am.

Cloghan: Saturday 8pm, Sunday 9.30am.

IMPORTANT DATES: Confirmation, Fri. 3rd April, 3pm.
First Communion: Ferbane, Sat. 2nd May, 12 noon.

First Communion: High Street, Sat. 2nd May, 12 noon.

AUTUMN STATIONS - Bookings are now being taken for the Autumn Stations. Please contact Fiona at the Parish office 090 6454309. *The following Station Areas have been booked*: **Aughaboy & Kincora**: Tony & Kathleen Concannon, Friday 18th October. **Bracca & Lisclooney**: Rory & Clionadh Liddane, Friday 25th October. **Ballycumber Road**: Frank & Marion Kearns, Thursday 31st October. **Lissaniska, Annaghmore, Mullaghature, Blackwater, Lisdaly, Lisduff**: Eamon & Mary McManus, Fri. 1st Nov.

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