

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 2nd May 2021

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

Sunday 2nd May - 11am

1. Donal Hynes (*Months Mind*).
2. Paul McDonnell (*1st A*).
3. Noel Coughlan (*1st A*).
4. Bridget & Thomas Farrell, Jimmy & Paddy Farrell and Baby Patrick Farrell.
5. Bernard Guinan, his wife Margaret and their son Kieran, Bernard's brother Jack and deceased members of the Guinan & McLoughlin families, Moystown Demesne.
6. Brid, Evelyn, Peter, Noel & Vincent Usher.

Mon. 3rd: 10am

Tues. 4th: 10am - *People's Mass*.

Wed. 5th & Thurs 6th: 10am

Fri. 7th: 10am - *First Friday*.

Sat. 8th: 10am - 1. Maimie Egan (*1st A*) & her husband Johnnie (*15th A*).

2. John & Katie Dolan, Church Street.

Sunday 9th May - 11am

1. James & Mary Heffernan and deceased family members.
2. John Joseph (Sonny) Egan, Brehogue (*1st A*).
3. Jerry Carton (*25th A*) & deceased members of the Rabbitte and Carton families.
4. Anne & Jack Connolly, their son Declan and grandson Declan Philip & Patrick Gunning.

5. Sr. Angela Delaney, her brother Michael and Angela & Paddy Horan.

MASSES - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5FM Parish Radio. All our weekday and weekend Masses can now be viewed on our new live stream link www.ferbaneparish.ie. Also our Parish bulletin is available to view on www.ferbaneparish.ie.

COLLECTIONS - Offertory and Shrine = €1,515. We deeply appreciate your continuing generosity at this difficult time. If you wish to offer financial support to the Church by electronic transfer our bank details are as follows:- BIC: ULSB IE 2D. IBAN: IE28 ULSB 9857 2021 5400 50. Please note your box number or your name when transferring money.

DEATHS - We pray for the souls of J.J. Mooney, Gallen View, Ferbane; Donie O'Connell, Park, Banagher (father of Catherine Farrell, Endrim and Claire McEvoy, Cois na hAbhann, Ferbane); Tom Martin, Bellair, Ballycumber (formerly Doon, father of Tom Martin, Endrim and brother of Eddie Martin, Ballyclare); Anne Devery, Ballyclare and Daryl Hynes (formerly Beechgrove, Belmont). RIP.

GLOBAL ROSARY MARCHON FOR THE MONTH OF MAY - Pope Francis is requesting that during the month of May the entire Church invoke the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the end of the pandemic and, in a special way, he is inviting all of us to pray fervently for those most closely affected by it. During each day of May, guided by a calendar with specific intentions, all the Shrines around the world, united in a communion of supplication, will lift up their prayers, which, like the fragrance of incense, will rise up to heaven. Thirty Marian Shrines will take turns

leading this prayer throughout the Church and offering the faithful a series of prayer moments for them to participate throughout the entire day.

GALLEN UNITED - Lotto Draw (Prize fund €17,700 = Jackpot €7,700; Star Prize €10,000). Winning numbers in last week's draw 1, 8, 13, 23. Bonus 22. No jackpot winner. Two match 3 winners. Next draw on Mon. 3rd May.

FERBANE G.A.A. - Lotto: Winning numbers in last week's draw 1, 2, 8, 21. Bonus 28. No jackpot winner. One match 3 winner. Next draw on Tuesday 4th May at 10pm. Jackpot €14,800.

PENTECOST COMES SOON - Would you like to learn about the Holy Spirit - the spirit of love between Jesus and God the Father? **Life in the Spirit Seminar** led by Fr. Pat Collins on ZOOM. Course starts 5th May 2021 on WEDNESDAY evenings for 7 weeks — FREE to attend. Donations welcome. Register on www.newspringtime.ie/shop.

BELMONT GAA U-8 AND U-10 CAMOGIE Training continues on Thursday 6th May at the GAA pitch in Moystown, 6.15 - 7.15pm. Girls will need a hurley, helmet and a labelled water bottle. Contact Jacinta (086 40403354) or Clionadh (087 4168145) to be added to the

Club WhatsApp where further details will be provided.

BELMONT GAA - Would like to extend our thanks to those near and far who supported the successful commencement of our virtual bingo fundraiser on Friday. **Online Bingo for Belmont Hurling and Camogie continues this Friday 7th May.** Join Zoom from 7.30pm. Eyes down at 8pm sharp. Please see our social media accounts for further information.

GALLEN UNITED - 24 Hours of Laps on Friday 28th May. Gallen players, managers and committee will undertake to run laps for 24 hours solid in aid of Offaly Hospice. 100% of the money raised will go to the charity. Event sponsored by EZ Pay Ireland. Your support would be appreciated.

DOG FOULING - It has come to our attention that there are people allowing their dogs to foul in the Church car park and surrounding areas. We appeal to those to pick up after their dog and dispose of same in a bin and not to throw it in trees or flower beds in Church grounds.

SVP - Confidential helpline 087 9272877.

PARISH OFFICE - Wednesday from 9am - 1pm and 2pm - 5pm. **Bulletin deadline is 3pm on Wednesday.** Tel: 090 6454309 or

Email: parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

'I am the vine you are the branches'

The image of the vine and the branches is one of the fundamental images of the New Testament. Jesus uses this image as He addresses His disciples in the Upper Room on the night before He died. It reminds us of a truth which we have all re-discovered in a striking way during the past year: **everything is interconnected.** My interest is linked to everyone else's. We are all leaves on different branches of the same vine. For the family of believers the vine is Christ. At the centre of Christianity, there is a person. Stay close to Him and all things are possible. Lose Him and die. The image teaches us also that the vine needs the branches. The mission of Christ is our mission now. We are to be His hands, feet, ears, eyes and tongue. This is a profound and privileged task which should cause us to ask ourselves a simple question every day. Does the example of our lives turn the thoughts of others to God?

OUR LADY OF CLONFERT

I come to you, as one of your children, who will never forget the importance of a woman like you. I come because I believe in you. I come to say thanks for the past and the present and ask you to bless me in the future.

You know me, you know how I live and you know my needs. Please help me especially when I need you most. I have problems, worries and anxieties the same as everyone else - help me to cope. So often I would just love to give up when life hurts me and people betray me, but give me the courage never to lose heart.

Bless my family, my life and my friends. Help me, no matter what happens to me in life, to believe, to trust and to hope. Our Lady of Clonfert, pray for us.