

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 1st August 2021

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 31st JULY - 7pm

1. Charlie Wynne (1st A) and his parents Jack and Kathleen.

SUNDAY 1st AUGUST - 11am

1. Peg Flynn (3rd A).
2. Martin & Mary Dooley, Coole.

Mon. 2nd: 10am

Tues. 3rd: 10am

Wed. 4th: 10am

Thurs. 5th: 10am - People's Mass.

Fri. 6th: 10am - First Friday.

Sat. 7th: 10am

SATURDAY 7th AUGUST - 7pm

1. Louise Moore.

SUNDAY 8th AUGUST - 11am

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 1st AUGUST - 12 noon

1. Ann Connolly (Months Mind).

Fri. 6th: 8pm - First Friday.

SUNDAY 8th AUGUST - 12 noon

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 1st AUGUST - 9.30am

Fri. 6th: 7pm - First Friday.

SUNDAY 8th AUGUST - 9.30am

MASSES - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5FM Parish Radio. All our weekday and weekend Masses can now be viewed on our

livestream link www.ferbaneparish.ie. Parish bulletin is available on www.ferbaneparish.ie.

COLLECTIONS - Offertory and Shrine = €1,780. 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 - Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Sr. Peggy McLoughlin, Mount Sackville** late of Gallen Priory, and formerly of St. Cynoc's Terrace, Ferbane and **Kenneth Stovell, London** (brother of Derek Stovell, St. Cynoc's Terrace), both of whom died recently. May they rest in peace.

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €19,000 = Jackpot €9,000; Star Prize €10,000). Winning numbers in last week's draw 7, 10, 14, 25. Bonus 12. No jackpot winner. Five match 3 winners. Next draw on Tuesday 3rd August.

FERBANE G.A.A. - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 2, 3, 6, 31. Bonus 20. No jackpot winner. Next week's jackpot is **€3,800**. Next draw on Tuesday 3rd August at 10pm.

FERBANE PRAYER GROUP - You are very welcome to the Prayer Meeting. Let us give praise and thanks to God for our blessings, and pray for the needs of the whole world. The Prayer Meeting will take place on Wednesday 4th August at 4pm.

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.

THE SACRED LITURGY

"The liturgy is God's time. There should be religious awe at being face to face with God. The liturgy is a great door that opens to God and allows us, symbolically to step beyond the walls of this world. The Holy Mass must be treated with dignity, beauty and respect. Let us not fall into the trap that tries to reduce the liturgy to a simple place of fraternal conviviality. Mass is not a place when people meet in a trivial spirit of festivity."

Cardinal Robert Sarah

NEW COVID UPDATES

Weddings: Currently 50 guests are permitted to attend a wedding ceremony and reception. From Thursday 5 August, the maximum number of guests permitted to attend a wedding will increase from 50 to 100 (current protective measures apply).

Baptisms: From Thursday 5 August, Baptism services may proceed. However, they must follow all protective measures, while social gatherings afterwards should be avoided.

Funerals: The number of mourners permitted at funerals continues to be limited to 50, regardless of size of venue. Attendance at wakes in private homes and at funeral homes is for family only.

Related family gatherings should strictly adhere to prevailing public health advice on household mixing, including visitors to your home and indoor and outdoor dining.

18th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

'Work for food that endures to eternal life'

Jack Dempsey was one of the most famous and popular boxers in history. On July 4th 1919 he reached the pinnacle of his career when he defeated Jess Willard to become heavyweight champion of the world. The next morning when he awoke in his hotel room he had a strange sense of emptiness inside. When asked to explain this surprising feeling, he replied: 'success didn't taste the way I thought it would. I had won the world championship, so what'? Down through the ages people have discovered as Dempsey did, that worldly success, fame, adulation do not satisfy the deepest hungers of the human heart. Seeking satisfaction in the things of the world is like chasing the wind. Something more is needed, and in chapter six of St. John's Gospel Jesus points the way. He is the Bread of Life and our hearts will always be restless until they rest in Him. Every longing that we try to satisfy apart from Him will fall short. Come to think of it the main difference between the greatest saint and the greatest sinner is where they go to satisfy the hungers of their hearts. The seventeenth century French philosopher Blaise Pascal expressed it better than most when he wrote: **'There is a God-shaped vacuum in the heart of each person which cannot be satisfied by any created thing, but only by God the Creator made known by Jesus Christ'**.