

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 29th January 2023

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 28th JANUARY - 7pm

SUNDAY 29th JANUARY - 11am

1. Jimmy Brazil (1st A) and his wife Madge.

Mon. 30th: 10am

Tues. 31st: 10am - People's Mass.

Wed. 1st Feb.: 10am - Feast of St. Brigid.

Thurs. 2nd: 10am - Presentation of the Lord.

Blessing of candles at 10am Mass.

Fri. 3rd: 10am - First Friday & Feast of St.

Blaise. Blessing of throats after Mass.

Sat. 4th: 10am - Jack & Rose Rigney.

SATURDAY 4th FEBRUARY - 7pm

1. Nellie Guinan (1st A).

2. Mick Wren.

SUNDAY 5th FEBRUARY - 11am

1. John Egan & his parents Kieran & Josie.

2. Mona Reamsbottom (1st A).

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 29th JANUARY - 12 noon

1. Bertie McKeown.

2. Patrick Feeney, Kilcummin and deceased members of the Feeney family.

3. Gertie Gunning.

Fri. 3rd: 8pm - First Friday & Feast of St.

Blaise. Blessing of throats after Mass.

1. John & Christine Butler, Mary O' Reilly, Clones, & Kieran Butler, Coolfin.

2. John Connolly, his wife Christina, his daughter Patricia Fleming, his grandson baby Alan Melia, his nephew baby Gerard

Foster & his granddaughter baby Molloy and deceased family members.

3. Mollie & Kevin Coleman and Bridget & Kieran Kelly, Kilcummin and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 5th FEBRUARY - 12 noon

1. Shane Ryan (18th A).

2. Jack & Mary Connaughton and Josie Kinnarney.

3. Kate & Oliver Daly and their deceased children.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 29th JANUARY - 9.30am

1. Mary Coughlan and her husband Martin and their son Marty.

Fri. 3rd: 7pm - First Friday & Feast of St.

Blaise. Blessing of throats after Mass.

SUNDAY 5th FEBRUARY - 9.30am

1. John Reddin.

MASSES - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5FM Parish Radio. All our weekday and weekend Masses can be viewed on our livestream link www.ferbaneparish.ie. Parish bulletin is available on www.ferbaneparish.ie.

COLLECTIONS - Our account details with Bank of Ireland are as follows:

Account No: 75907205. BIC: BOFIE2D

IBAN: IE39 BOFI 9016 3475 9072 05.

We greatly appreciate your continued contributions. January 22nd = €2,450. Thank you.

PARISH OFFICE - Open every Wednesday from 9am-1pm and 2-5pm. Tel: 090 6454309 or email parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie. Please

note all notices for inclusion in Parish Bulletin must be submitted to the Parish Office.

FEBRUARY FEASTS -

St. Brigid: Wednesday 1st February.

Presentation of the Lord: Thurs. 2nd February.

Blessing of candles at 10am Mass in Ferbane.
Feast of St. Blaise: Fri. 3rd February. Blessing of throats after Masses in Ferbane (10am); Boora (7pm); High Street (8pm).

MIDLAND SIMON COMMUNITY Annual Church Gate Collection - Takes place this weekend Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th January. Please support.

FAMILY MASS in High Street - Is on this Sunday 29th January at 12 noon. At the beginning of the Mass the priest will invite children (3-7 years only) to go into the Sacristy where they will spend some time learning about their faith through Prayer and Play. They will be led by a designated team of adults and young people and any child's own special needs assistant/carer. They will return to the altar and to their families at the Our Father.

GALLEN UNITED - Lotto Draw (Prize fund €6,000 = Jackpot €3,000; Star Prize €3,000). Winning numbers in last week's draw were 4, 15, 16, 21. Bonus 25. No jackpot winner. Two match 3 winners. Next draw on Tues. 31st Jan.

FERBANE GAA - Lotto: Winning numbers in last week's draw 6, 8, 20, 27. Bonus 7. No jackpot winner. 6 match 3 winner. Next week's jackpot is €2,400. Draw is on Tues. 31st Jan.

BOOK LAUNCH - The Poacher's Yarn by Aidan Doyle, a history of essays of West Offaly and the wider world, will take place in Gallen Community School on Sat. 28th Jan. at 8pm.

COFFEE MORNING - Resumes in the Bridge Hall on Wednesday 8th February.

ANAM CARA MIDLANDS - The organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 8th February at 7.15pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. This event is FREE and open to all bereaved parents

regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online service. For more info call 01 4045378.

BANAGHER DRAMA GROUP - Are returning after being absent for almost 3 years and would love to have new members from the community to join our group, be it on-stage or backstage. If you are interested in getting involved, please come along to our AGM in LOETB Banagher on Thursday 2nd February at 8pm.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE - 9th - 16th August 2023, €725pps if booked before January 31st. €775pps thereafter. Contact Aodh & Carmel Horan (087) 2072982 or (087) 2072996.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

The best portraits are those that convey something of the spirit of the subject. The Sermon on the Mount, which is probably a compilation of several sermons, takes us to the heart of Jesus. It's the closest we have to a self-portrait of the Lord. All the sayings proclaimed in the Sermon become flesh and blood in Him. We are told that He sat down and began to speak. When a rabbi sat down he was about to deliver an important teaching. When he opened his mouth to speak, he was opening his heart. The teaching of Jesus, expressed in the form of nine 'Beatitudes' is an exaltation of the ordinary. It's a blueprint for happiness. It's a call to a way of life that is attainable, but it does stand the values of the world on their head. The poor, the meek, the merciful, the peacemakers, the 'nobodies' of this world have built their house on rock and they will have their reward, while those who pursue power, prestige, possessions, pleasure, popularity have laid their foundations on sand and their house will crumble. The Beatitudes are the attitudes to which we should aspire.