

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 5th February 2023

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

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).
3. Brian Hennessy.

Mon. 6th: 10am

Tues. 7th: 10am - People's Mass.

Wed. 8th: 10am

Thurs. 9th: 10am

Fri. 10th: 10am

Sat. 11th: 10am -

1. Andy & Lucy Brazil, Derrica.
2. Michael Brazil, Gallen View.

SATURDAY 11th FEBRUARY - 7pm

1. Marie Kenny (Months Mind).
2. Noeleen Mooney.
3. Fla Harrington (2nd A).

SUNDAY 12th FEBRUARY - 11am

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

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.

SUNDAY 12th FEBRUARY - 12 noon

1. Larry Egan and deceased members of the Egan and Hanevy families.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 5th FEBRUARY - 9.30am

1. John Reddin.
2. Charles Whelehan, his parents Charles & Mary Kate, his grandparents Catherine & Christy Delaney, Angie & Paddy Horan and his sister Margaret Taylor.

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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 29th = €2,245. 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.

DEATHS - Please pray for the repose of the souls of Pauline Claffey, Beechgrove, Belmont and Maura Sweeney, Athlone (sister-in-law of Peter Kilmartin, Ballyclare). Rest in peace.

CONGRATULATIONS - To Eimer Ryan, Leabeg who received her Confirmation in Tullamore last week.

HIGH STREET NS Parents Association Invite you to attend a talk by Sarah Butler, Youth and Community Engagement Officer with JIGSAW. The talk 'One Good Adult' explores

how to support and promote young people's mental health. It takes place on Tuesday 7th February in High Street Community Centre from 7.30-8.30pm. All welcome.

BHM DEVELOPMENT GROUP - Meeting on Tuesday 7th February in High Street Hall at 8.30pm. Members and non members welcome.

GALLEN UNITED - Lotto Draw (Prize fund €6,100 = Jackpot €3,100; Star Prize €3,000). Winning numbers in last week's draw were 5, 11, 16, 20. Bonus 10. No jackpot winner. Two match 3 winners. Next draw on Tuesday 7th Feb.

FERBANE GAA - Lotto: Winning numbers in last week's draw 20, 23, 25, 28. Bonus 17. No jackpot or match 3 winner. Next week's jackpot is €2,600. Draw is on Tuesday 7th February.

COFFEE MORNING - Resumes on Wednesday 8th February in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road at 10.30am (after Mass). Bus service as usual.

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.

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

FERBANE BELMONT CE - We currently have vacancies on our scheme for **Office Administrator, General Operatives and Groundsmen/Caretaker.** Successful applicants will continue with all existing benefits with a scheme top up. All successful participants can also avail of training and up skilling. For more information call 090 6454068.

COMFORT HOMECARE - Are recruiting Home Health Care workers in Ferbane and

surrounding areas. Full and part-time hours available. Excellent weekend rates. Call (085) 1872605 or email hr@comforthomecare.ie.

Requirements: Full drivers license and own car. Experience in healthcare preferred. **Employee benefits:** Excellent rates of pay. Travel allowance. Flexible working hours. Ongoing training provided. Free Garda Vetting. Free uniform.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Salt had a number of purposes in the Middle East of the first century. In a land without refrigeration it was used to preserve food and as a flavour enhancer. It was used to prevent erosion in the roofs of houses and Roman soldiers were paid in salt. The word salary is derived from the word for salt. If a soldier did not do his work, he would not get all his salt. Hence, we use the phrase 'he is not worth his salt' if someone does not do his work properly. The people who gathered around Jesus on that little hill in Palestine would have understood all this. His image was striking; His message was clear. His followers are charged with the task of bringing the flavour of life to others, preserving His truth on increasingly alien soil and transforming the world's culture, rather than conforming to it.

The image of light speaks to all cultures and all ages. Light is not a private energy. It is meant to be shared. It dispels darkness and it attracts. It guides and it warns. The life of the disciple should reflect the Light of Jesus to the world. It should evoke curiosity in others. It should move them to take a 'second look'. Nothing points to God more clearly than the witness of a disciple doing good. A Chinese Christian approached a missionary once and proceeded to quote the Sermon on the Mount word for word from beginning to end. 'How did you manage to do that' enquired the missionary. 'I spent the last year trying to live it' replied the man. 'In the world's nights the Christian witness brings God's dawn'. (Pope Francis)