

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 12th February 2023

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 11th FEBRUARY - 7pm

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

SUNDAY 12th FEBRUARY - 11am

Mon. 13th: 10am

Tues. 14th: 10am - People's Mass.

Wed. 15th: 10am

Thurs. 16th: 10am

Fri. 17th: 10am

Sat. 18th: 10am - Gerry Carroll (Months Mind).

SATURDAY 18th FEBRUARY - 7pm

1. Tracey Buckley & her mother Breege.
2. Paddy & Rita Kelly and their son Joe.
3. Andrew Wynne & dec'd family members.
4. Tony Kenny.

SUNDAY 19th FEBRUARY - 11am

1. Eddie Mitchell.
2. Janie Robinson.
3. Michael & Mary Bridget Conway

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 12th FEBRUARY - 12 noon

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

SUNDAY 19th FEBRUARY - 12 noon

1. Mary Kenny, High Street.
2. Phyllis Rigney.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 12th FEBRUARY - 9.30am

SUNDAY 19th FEBRUARY - 9.30am

1. Nuala Colgan (*Months Mind*) and her husband Sammy (*6th A*).

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. February 5th = €3,020. 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.**

BAPTISM - We welcome into our Christian Community Tommy Kenny.

DEATH - Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Egan, Coole. May she rest in peace.

HIGH STREET/BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP - Return on Monday 13th February at 8pm in High Street Hall with Professor Humphrey O'Connor, Chairperson of the Offaly Hospice Association with presentation of money raised on the night. All welcome.

GALLEN UNITED - Lotto Draw (Prize fund €6,100 = Jackpot €3,100; Star Prize €3,100). Winning numbers in last week's draw were 1, 5, 18, 26. Bonus 17. No jackpot or match 3 winner. Two book prizes. Next draw on Tuesday 14th February.

FERBANE GAA - Lotto: Winning numbers in last week's draw 12, 19, 20, 31. Bonus 10. No jackpot winner. Three match 3 winners. Next week's jackpot is €2,800. Draw is on Tuesday 14th February.

COFFEE MORNING - Continues on Wednesday 15th February in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road at 10.30am (after Mass). Bus service as usual.

BELMONT GAA WEEKLY BINGO

Congratulations to this week's winners: Karen Larkin €1,000, Joe Cahill €200 and Rose Killian pack of books for next Friday night. Bingo continues as usual on Friday 17th February. Pre-printed books available in Cahill's until 9pm every Thursday.

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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Commentators today can be utterly dismissive about the Ireland of the 50's. In fifty years time they will, most likely speak condescendingly about our time. Balance is needed. We shouldn't look on life as a battle between the past and the present. No generation has all the answers, but every generation has some of the answers. The past then should be a stepping stone, not a millstone. The past is filled with learning opportunities for our present and future. As the African saying goes: 'The young walk faster, but it is the older folk who know the way'. Building the future and keeping the past alive are one and the same thing.

Jesus had the utmost respect for the Law of His ancestors, but His teaching moved His hearers to a different level. The Law was given to help people to love God with all their hearts and minds. By Jesus' time religious leaders had turned the Law into a confusing mass of rules and regulations. Jesus was actually trying to bring people back to the Law's original purpose. He sets before people not the Law of God, but the love of God. We could say that the Law of the Old Testament is the Gospel in bud. The New Testament is the Gospel in full flower.

TRÓCAIRE 1973-2023: 50th Anniversary

We pray for God's blessing on the work of Trócaire. We pray that all people may continue to work together for the respect of our shared human dignity and shared human rights. We thank God for the partners and generous supporters who have enabled Trócaire to continue their work for over fifty years, empowering communities to work together for a just world. We pray for peace and may that peace be mine and yours, and with all people experiencing crises in our world. Amen.

Trócaire boxes for Lenten campaign available in all Churches this weekend.