

Sunday 28th July 2024

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 27th JULY - 7pm 1. Phil Carroll (1st A).

2. Nuala Claffey (4th A).

SUNDAY 28th JULY - 11am

 Kieran & Maura Guinan.
Pat & Agnes Flynn.
Mon. 29th July: 10am Tues. 30th: 10am
Wed. 31st: 10am - Claire Higgins 3rd A. Thurs. 1st: 10am
Fri. 2nd: 10am
Sat. 3rd: 10am - Pat McAree, Patrick & Jane Wynne.

SATURDAY 3rd AUGUST - 7pm

1. Louise Moore.

2. Peter & Josie Horan.

SUNDAY 4th AUGUST - 11am 1. Peg Flynn.

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 28th JULY - 12 noon 1. Mary & Kieran Clancy. *Fri. 2nd August: 8pm - First Friday.* SUNDAY 4th AUGUST - 12 noon

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 28th JULY - 9.30am Fri. 2nd August: 7pm - First Friday. - John & Mary Kenny, Leamore

SUNDAY 4th AUGUST - 9.30am

MASSES - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5FM Parish Radio. Parish bulletin is available on www.ferbaneparish.ie.

COLLECTIONS -

July 21st: Offertory/Shrine €2,545. Bank Account details -IBAN: IE39 BOFI 9016 3475 9072 05. Thank you for your continued support.

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

WEDDING - Congratulations to Ciara Coughlan and Darragh Corbett who were married recently.

DEATH - Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Sarah Kelly, Cork** (niece of the late Joan and Peggy Keenan, Ferbane). RIP.

DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY

'Grandparents are like the wisdom of the family; they are the wisdom of a people. The Church, as well as society, needs the elderly for they entrust to the present the past that is needed to build the future. God wants young people to bring joy to the hearts of the elderly.'(Pope Francis)

Where there is no honour for the elderly there is no future for the young.

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €10,200; Jackpot €3,400; Star Prize €6,800). Winning numbers were 6, 14, 15, 20. Bonus 21. No jackpot winner. One match three winner. Next draw on Monday 29th July.

HIGH STREET CEMETERY - Maintenance every Tuesday evening at 7pm. Volunteers required.

BELMONT GAA - Our bingo continues every week in association with our new club sponsor CMG (Claims Management Group). Congratulations to last week's winners.

FERBANE GAA - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 5, 21, 26, 27. Bonus 19. No jackpot winner. Two match 3 winners. Next week's jackpot is €4,200. Draw on Tuesday 30th July.

KILREHAN CEMETERY - Grass cutting each Wednesday at 7pm. More volunteers needed please.

PROGRESSIVE 25 - Cards every Friday night in Ferbane Heritage Centre at 9pm. All welcome.

YOUTH 2000 - Prayer Meeting Come and join us every Thursday in Tullamore Church. 7pm Holy Hour in the Day Chapel. 8pm Happy Hour in the Parish Centre. Contact Maria 083 3953455.

SummerFestivalClongowesWoodCollege,Co.Kildare,15th-18thAugust.Hearamazingtalks,meetotheryoungCatholics,exploreyourfaith.Comeandsee.Ages16-35.Donationonly,FREEbuses.Tel:016753690.Email:office@youth2000.ie.www.youth2000.ie.

HIGH STREET BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP - A Huge thank you to all who supported the Cake Sale and Raffles for the Irish Cancer Society's Daffodil Day. The amount raised was €3,445.00. Thanks to everyone for their support.

PERMACULTURE DESIGN WORKSHOP Sat. 3rd August, 10am - 4pm. €50 - €80 Croghan Hill, Co. Offaly. A holistic approach to designing and planning a garden - observe deeply, plan wisely and save effort. Family friendly event. For more info. and to register: Info@CooleEcoCommunity.ie or call Siobhán 089 2196045.

SVP - Confidential phone line 087 9272877.

SPECIALBANAGHER/OFFALYPILGRIMAGE-(Limited availability) toFatima, EX Dublin, Easter 2025. Also 13th June2025 for Feast of Saint Anthony. 13th October2025 for Miracle of Sun. Contact James Treacy061921470 jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com. Payment by instalments acceptable.

FERBANE BELMONT CE - Are you in Receipt of a Social Welfare Payment. We currently have vacancies on our scheme for one Groundsperson/Caretaker, one General Operative and one Caretaker Cleaner. 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.

17th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

"Jesus gave out as much as was wanted"

Chapter six of St. John's Gospel is known as the 'Bread Section'. It begins today with the 'sign' of the 'feeding of the multitude'. This is the only miracle recorded in all four Gospels because it prefigures the great event of the Last Supper when the disciples were fed with the 'Bread of Life'. The episode speaks of the boundless generosity of God and the fact that He alone can satisfy the hungers of the human heart. The little boy offered the little that he had-five barley loaves and two fish- and Jesus did the rest. Nothing is insignificant in His hands. Nothing is lost of what is given to Him. It was this Gospel story that Pope St. John Paul II proclaimed at a Mass with young people in Scotland in 1982. In his homily that day, the Holy Father spoke these encouraging words: 'The little boy gave all he had and Jesus miraculously fed 5,000 people. It is exactly the same with your lives. Place your lives in the hands of Jesus. He will accept and bless you, and He will make use of your lives in a way that exceeds your greatest expectation'. Today Jesus asks for the loaves and fishes of our time and talents. If we withhold our time and talents, we just might miss a miracle!