

# Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 20th October 2024

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 19th OCTOBER - 7pm

1. Brigid Buckley (3rd A) and her daughter Tracey.
2. Phyllis & Paddy Moore and Jody Moore.
3. Thomas Dunican.

SUNDAY 20th OCTOBER - 11am

1. Tom Dunican and deceased family members.
2. Brendan Dermody.

Mon. 21st: 10am

Tues. 22nd: 10am

Wed. 23rd: 10am - People's Mass.

Thurs. 24th: 10am

Fri. 25th: 10am

Sat. 26th: 10am

SATURDAY 26th OCTOBER - 7pm

SUNDAY 27th OCTOBER - 11am

1. Pascal Egan (*Months Mind*).

## SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 20th OCTOBER - 12 noon

1. Pat Callaghan (*Months Mind*).
2. Dan, Nancy & Paddy Connell, Clononey, Shannon Harbour.
3. Thomas & Brigid Carroll, their grandson Brendan and his mother Mary.

SUNDAY 27th OCTOBER - 12 noon

1. Baby Lily Burke, Jim & Peg Flannery, Ellen McCormack & dec'd family members.

## ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 20th OCTOBER - 9.30am

SUNDAY 27th OCTOBER - 9.30am

1. Edward & Margaret Egan, their son John and grandson C.J. McCann.

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

**COLLECTIONS** - Oct. 13th: Offertory/Shrine €2,970. Thank you. **Bank Account details** - IBAN: IE39 BOFI 9016 3475 9072 05.

### OCTOBER: Month of Missions.

The Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas missions and missionaries. **Theme: 'Go and invite everyone to the banquet'**. In the year 1822 in the French city of Lyon Pauline Marie Jaricot founded the Association for the Propagation of the Faith to aid the work of the Missions. Influenced by her work, Pope Pius XI authorised the second last Sunday of October as an annual day of prayer and collection for the Missions.

**BAPTISM** - We welcome into our Christian community Isabelle Kenny.

**SVP** - Confidential phone line 087 9272877.

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

**HIGH STREET / BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP** - Monday 21st October: Demonstration with Pauline Kilmartin on jams, chutneys and breads in High Street Hall at 8pm. All welcome. *Note for your diary:* Christmas Market on Sunday 1st Dec. in High St. Hall from 10am - 2.30pm. All local crafts. Raffle on the day. Please support.

**FERBANE COMMUNITY WORKSHOP** Gallen Community School, Ferbane 22nd October, 7-8.30pm. In preparation for the Ferbane Town Centre First Plan, Offaly County

Council and Ferbane Town Team in conjunction with Technological University of the Shannon (TUS) will be holding an information gathering workshop. Participants attending the workshop will discuss and examine: the town's strengths and weaknesses, opportunities for development and community suggestions for making Ferbane a more attractive town to live, work and visit. All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you there on the night.

**FERBANE COFFEE MORNING** - Continues on Wed. 23rd Oct. in the Social Hall (Bridge, Ballycumber Road at 10.30am. Bus as usual.

**HOLY FACE VIGIL AND TALK** - Holy Face Vigil Mass and talk by Caoimhe Doyle from the HLI with veneration of the Holy Face Relic. St Colman's Church, Mucklagh, Co. Offaly, R35 V045 on Wed. 23rd October starting at 7pm.

**LUNCH CLUBS** - Offaly Healthy Homes Project's next Lunch Club takes place on Thursday 24th October from 12.30pm to 3.30pm in High Street Hall. This Lunch Club is open to all over the age of 55. For just €10 per person you will get to enjoy a lovely dinner, dessert, tea/coffee and great entertainment. Booking is essential. Contact Shirley on 087 2175998 if you are interested in attending.

**HALLOWEEN QUIZ** - High Street N.S. Parents Association are hosting a Halloween Quiz on Friday 25th October at 9pm in Kelly's Bar Belmont. €40 for a Team of 4. Halloween Costumes (optional), spot prizes and raffle on the night. All welcome.

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

**ATHLONE LITTLE THEATRE** - Presents 'A Skull in Connemara' by Martin McDonagh from Friday, October 25 next to Friday, November 1. Sunday matinee only on October 27 at 3pm. Mystery and comedy in equal measure, this compelling drama is not to be missed! Book tickets on www.athlonelittletheatre.ie.

**40 HOURS ADORATION** - Tuesday 29th October to Saturday 2nd November, 1 to 9 daily. Venue: Céili Community, Kilbeggan N91 NY28. **Themes:** Forgiveness, Eucharistic healing, and healing of the family tree, all saints and all souls. Mass 8pm daily, confession, prayer ministry, petitions, Tea/coffee. All are welcome. Enquiries 087 2539725.

**BORD NA MÓNA Lough Boora Discovery Park** - Are holding their third Memory Walk on Saturday 2nd November from 2pm. A chance to come together and remember loved ones who have passed. For registration and further details please go to <https://ti.to/bord-na-mona/memory-walk-2024>. Further details and queries can be made to Stephanie Golding, 087 623 5418. All are welcome and registration is FREE. Dogs are also welcome but must be kept on a lead at all times. This year we are raising funds for the **Ashling Murphy Memorial Fund**, Approval #2414, donations to [www.idonate/cause/ashlingmurphymemorialfund.ie](http://www.idonate/cause/ashlingmurphymemorialfund.ie).

**YOUNG AT HEART SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY** - We are looking for new committee members to assist in organising our upcoming Christmas party. Please contact Ita on 087 2882387.

**FERBANE BELMONT CE** - Are you signing for credits or in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment. We currently have vacancies on our scheme for one Groundsperson/Caretaker, General Operative, Caretaker Cleaner and Administration person. Successful applicants will continue with all existing benefits with a scheme top up. All successful participants can also avail of training and upskilling. For information call 090 6454068.

## 29th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

'We want you to do us a favour'

The Twelve Apostles were not a company of saints. They were ordinary men with feet of clay. They struggled with pride, arrogance, selfishness and lack of understanding. In this episode we see their petty ambition coming to the fore. They wanted preferential treatment from Jesus when He came into His kingdom. Not only are they acting selfishly but they have failed utterly to grasp what he has been preaching, that the call to greatness is the call to service. There cannot be glory without the Cross. It is heartening to remind ourselves that it was with people such as these that Jesus set out to change the world and He did. God brings glory to Himself by doing great things with small tools. **He uses us not in spite of our weaknesses but because of our weaknesses.** His favourite instruments are 'nobodies'. We should take heart!