

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 1st June 2025

The Ascension of the Lord



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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 31st MAY - 7pm

SUNDAY 1st JUNE - 11am

1. Mary Grehan Wyse and her grandson Ciarán.
2. John Corcoran and deceased members of the Corcoran family.

Mon. 2nd: 10am

Tues. 3rd: 10am - People's Mass.

Wed. 4th: 10am

Thurs. 5th: 10am

Fri. 6th: 10am - First Friday.

Sat. 7th: 10am - Tony McCarthy.

SATURDAY 7th JUNE - 7pm

1. Mary & John Joe Egan, Creggan

SUNDAY 8th JUNE - 11am

1. Pat Moore, Ballylin.
2. Marcella Flanagan Daly.
3. Oliver Keenaghan (3rd A).

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 1st JUNE - 12 noon

1. Joe & Annie Kenny, Fadden and deceased family members.

Fri. 6th: 8pm - First Friday.

Michael Melia, his parents Eileen & Patrick, his son baby Alan & his brother baby Gerard and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 8th JUNE - 12 noon

1. Martin & Teresa Murphy.
2. Enda, Noel and Eddie Connaughton.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 1st JUNE - 9.30am

Fri. 6th: 7pm - First Friday. Colin Kenny.

SUNDAY 8th JUNE - 9.30am

FAMILY MASS - *Pray and Play* will take place on Sunday 15th June at 12 noon Mass in High Street.

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

COLLECTIONS -

25th May: Offertory/Shrine €2,285.

Bank IBAN: IE39 BOFI 9016 3475 9072 05.

SVP - Confidential helpline 087 9272877.

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

BAPTISM - We welcome into our Christian community Ellie Grogan.

DEATHS - We pray for the repose of the souls of Teresa Kenna, Ballycumber Road, Ferbane; Denis Burns, London and Drimoleague (brother of Eileen Wright, Ballyclare); Mary Jordan, Leixlip (sister-in-law of Marian Guinan, Ballyvora); Noel Holmes, Clonfanlough (brother of Willie Holmes, Lisdermott) and Frances Tooher, Leamore, all of whom died recently. May they rest in peace.

BELMONT / HIGH STREET ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP - Tuesday 3rd June, meeting at High Street Hall at 2pm and going to the Old Fort in Shannonbridge.

B.H.M. Community Development Group Belmont - Meeting will be held on this Tuesday 3rd June at 9pm in High St. Community Centre. All are welcome. Judging for Super Valu National Tidy Towns Competition will take place in June and July. Contact any member of the group.

FERBANE GAA - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 7, 10, 14, 24. Bonus 25. No jackpot winner. 5 match three winners. Next week's jackpot is €13,000. Next draw on Tuesday 3rd June.

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €11,700; Jackpot €2,800; Star Prize €8,900). Winning numbers were 1, 4, 14, 28. Bonus 9. No jackpot winner or match 3 winners. Two book prizes. Next draw on Tuesday 3rd June.

COFFEE MORNING GROUP - On Wednesday 4th June in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road at 10.30am. Bus as usual.

BELMONT GAA - *Weekly Bingo* every Wednesday evening at 8pm. Books available in Cahill's shop until 9pm on Tuesday evening or until 2pm online Wednesday evening. Congratulations to last week's winners. Thank you for your support.

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

MENPOWER PROGRAMME - The MenPower Programme starts on Wednesday 4th June at Millennium House, Tullamore. This is a FREE opportunity and will not affect your social welfare benefits. For more information, contact Aoife on 087 7385989 or email akelly@offalyldc.ie, secure your spot and don't miss out.

FERBANE LIBRARY - Saturday 7th June: *10-10.45am. Tiny Tunes Workshop.* This event is for ages 0-4 years. Facilitated by Music Generation. *12-12.45pm. Juggling Show.* This event is for ages 7-12 years. Facilitated by Street Theatre Ireland.

CARER'S WEEK - Runs from 9th to 15th June - and there will be a special Carer's Service on Friday 13th June at 7.30pm, again in St. Mel's Cathedral. This Service is for all carers, paid and unpaid, and is a service of appreciation for all they do.

ANAM CARA - Monthly Parent Support Evening on Wednesday 11th June at 7.30pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. This event is FREE and open to all bereaved parents. You do not need to register in advance. Call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie.

ST. SARAN'S N.S., HIGH ST., BELMONT *Classes of 1961-1966 (Year of Junior Infants) Reunion* in High Street Community Centre on Saturday 24th June at 4pm. For more information and to register contact Moira Gunning. Email: moiranoone@gmail.com. WhatsApp: 087 2209161.

HIGH STREET / BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP - Have come to an end for another year. Thanks to all who supported the group. Keep in mind our Daffodil Day Cake Sale & Raffle on Sunday 13th July outside High Street Hall after 12 noon Mass. Your support would be appreciated.

OFFICE SPACE - Available to rent in Ferbane Business & Technology Park. Competitive rates. Contact the Manager 087 9646079 for details.

RETIREMENT - The Board of Ferbane Business & Technology Park would like to thank and acknowledge the extraordinary leadership and commitment of Kevin Gavin as Chairperson of the Board for almost two decades. As a community, we are indebted to him for his voluntary service. We wish him well in his retirement.

FERBANE BELMONT CE - Are you in receipt of a Social Welfare payment. We currently have vacancies on our scheme for 1 Groundsperson/Caretaker, 1 General Operative and 1 Caretaker Cleaner. Successful applicants will continue with all existing benefits with a scheme top up. All successful participants can also avail of training and upskilling. For more information call 090 6454068.

CLEANERS required for High Street Church - You will be assigned to a group who will be responsible for cleaning the church on two separate months of the year which will work out 8 hours in the year. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Contact 086 3616977.

EXAM PRAYER

Lord give me a clear mind and calm my nerves as I take this exam. Help me to remember what I have studied and to answer the questions well. I trust in you.

Good luck to all students taking exams at this time.

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

'Now as He blessed them He withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven'

As Jesus ascended into heaven He blessed His friends and then they let Him go. Life is like that. As we move from one stage to the next we must bless what has been and let it go in order to embrace fruitfully what has yet to be. Consequently, we move from childhood to the middle years to old age; from home to school to the world of work to retirement. While each stage brings its joys and successes, it also brings its sorrows and failures. We must avoid the temptation to 'nurse' the hurts and wounds of the past. We are products of the past, but we don't need to be prisoners of it. If we want to fly, we have to give-up what weighs us down. We would do well to be guided rather, by the spirit of the old adage: **'forget what hurt you but never forget what it taught you'**. Holding-on is believing that there is only a past; letting-go is knowing that there is a future and that is true freedom. The friends of Jesus would come to understand.