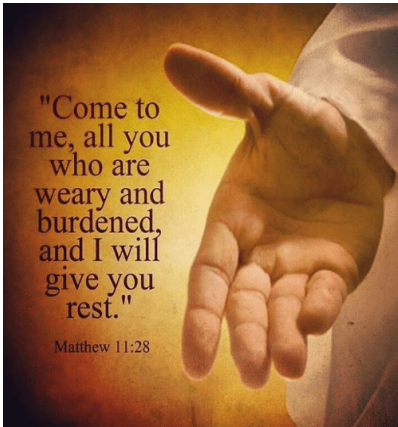


Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes Newsletter

Sunday 5th July 2020

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Praying for those who have died

Remembering in our Masses this week ...

Críos Boylan (Sun. 11.30)

Bart O'Mahony (Mon. 10am)

Special Intention (Tues. 10am)

Bridget Guiry (Wed. 10am)

Seán Power (Thurs. 10am)

Dick Vereker
(Slieverue - Fri. 10am)

Maria O'Donovan,
Curraghmore, Slieverue

Mary & Joseph Peacock and
their son Joe and Grandson Brian

May they rest in peace in the
Lord's arms ...

Coming back to Mass ...

Weekends

Saturday Evening Vigil

Masses remain the same

**Slieverue at 6pm, Ferrybank
7.30m**

Sunday

**Ferrybank 9.30am,
Slieverue 10.30am &
Ferrybank 11.30am**

Weekdays

**Ferrybank Monday to
Thursday 10am
Slieverue Friday 10am**

Welcome Back! - Safety First!

Thanks to Team work, Technology, & a little Theology we can resume public celebration of our Faith this weekend! It will be an adventure so I preface everything that what is written underneath by saying that is for two purposes and that is 1. to keep you safe & 2. to help you & me keep others safe.

When it comes to Covid - 19 lets not be foolish and think that we are out of the woods. We are not. Therefore all of us in Ferrybank and Slieverue Parishes will unapologetically do our best to ensure the safety of all. Some of the regulations are tough especially in relation to the number of people that can be admitted to our Churches yet we must stick to the regulations in this regard and to follow the guidance of our public health authorities so that the risk of getting the virus is minimised for everyone.

There are two approaches we can take. The way of solidarity and care for others means that I will do everything I can even if it means some sacrifice for myself to protect others.

The way of selfishness means that I will do what I like even if I put others at risk. For a Christian there can be only one way and that is the Way of Christ who calls us to solidarity and care for each other. So....

If you have been cocooning or have any underlying medical condition or are in any way medically vulnerable please seek the advice from your medical practitioner who will advise if it is safe for you to return to Church.

Remember there is no obligation to return to Mass. You can continue to watch on TV or webcams and listen on Radio.

If you go to Mass each day you might consider staying at home at weekends to make space for others - please think of others!

If you are displaying any symptoms such as cough, difficulty breathing, sneezing, runny nose, or any cold or flu symptoms you should not come to Church or go to anywhere people gather - please contact your GP.

If you do feel that it is safe for you to return to Mass and you are ready to respect the safety of others then we welcome you back!

When you arrive at Church please follow the advice of the Ushers and sanitise your hands before being seated. Always respect social distancing guideline & follow directions for Communion and leaving the Church. Do not gather in groups inside the church but proceed outside immediately after Mass.

Collection Bags will not be passed around. A secure box will be available at the entrance to our churches for you to make a contribution. We deeply appreciate your generosity.

Our Churches will be sanitised after our Masses and other Services.

When our Churches reach capacity you will be informed and no one else will be admitted. Please be aware that due to the Government Guidelines on capacity we cannot guarantee that you will be able to enter the Church. We reserve the right to restrict access once capacity has been reached. Seats will not be reserved for anyone. We are responsible for the safety of everyone so please be patient and follow the advice of the Ushers.

Thank you to our Pastoral Council's in Ferrybank and Slieverue who have played a stormal in recent weeks in preparing for our return to public celebration of faith! Copies of our Parish Covid - 19 Plan for return to celebration of our Faith are available in the Churches for you.

Weekly Envelope Collection

Thanks to all who contribute weekly, monthly and annually, as well as those who pay by Standing Order. Despite there being no public masses, we appreciate you dropping off your envelope or donations at the Church/Parish Office. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals

Please remember that Baptisms, & Weddings can be celebrated with a minimum of participants and as long as social distancing is observed in accordance with Government Guidelines.

Funerals can be celebrated as long as the congregation **does not exceed fifty people** and as long as social distancing is observed in accordance with Government Guidelines.

Ways to join together for Mass ...

Please note that during the coming week advance notice will be given when our Liturgies will be live streamed on our Facebook page and available immediately afterwards to watch on our website.

Tune in to our Mass from Ferrybank/Slieverue on the radio - 103.9fm. Mass is also broadcast daily on RTE News Now TV at 10.30m each day

Parish Office

The Parish Office has now re-opened. The opening hours are 10am to 1pm Monday to Friday. Please respect the procedures in place for your safety. Those who are medically vulnerable are asked not to call personally but to continue to contact us by phone. See contact details below.

Parish Centres

Please be aware that our Parish Centres will not be available for groups until September 2020 (if public health guidelines permit!), This is to allow for Covid - 19 protocols to be put in place & to reduce risk (They may be required for Masses) Those who wish to book should contact the parish office so that arrangements can be made to complete the necessary documentation.

Cemetery Masses 2020

Cemetery masses this year will not take place in June and July. They are postponed and may be rearranged for a later date. Please inform relatives and friends. New regulations for use of our cemeteries are being prepared and will be published in the near future.

Safeguarding Our Children

Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are **Ferrybank - Breda Freyne & Jerry Hughes**
Slieverue - Mary Kenny

If you have a child safeguarding concern or wish to raise a matter from the past you may contact any of the following:-

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person Mr Cathal Cullen, Tel. 087 100 0232. email dlp@ossory.ie
Deputy Liaison Person
Ms. Rose Brophy Tel. 087-331 4330


Deise Draw

The 2020 Deise Draw is now scheduled to start on August 26th and Ferrybank GAA club hope for community support once more as this year especially the revenue stream for the club will be much needed. Once again there will be the standard six draws. Prize money hopefully won't be affected but may need to slightly be adjusted if numbers are a lot lower than last year. Contact 087 6724212 for further details.

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by Fr Pat Collins C.M.

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Our Parish Prayer

All powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, bless this Parish of (Ferrybank / Slieverue) and renew each one of us in the faith of our Baptism & Confirmation.

Through the power of your Holy Spirit reignite within us a Love for the Gospel, for the Eucharist and for one another.

Hear our prayers and especially our prayers for (here mention your special intention)

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Bless each family, heal the sick, comfort the dying, raise the dead, guide and protect the young, mend hearts that are broken, bring peace and reconciliation where these gifts are needed, bring all who have lost their way back to the sure path that leads to salvation. Keep us from selfishness, and may our hearts always be filled with love of you and our neighbour.

Help us to be missionaries of life, always thankful for your gifts and blessings.

Together may we find the way that leads to true Peace, Hope, and Joy.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us to be our Helper and Guide,

opening us up to new ways of sharing & living the Good News of your Sons Life, Death and Resurrection.

Help us to recognise you, as you reveal yourself to us, in the events of our daily lives,

Through the intercession of our Blessed Mother Mary may we become more faithful disciples of your Son Jesus Christ.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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