

# Parishes of Ferrybank & Slieverue



Newsletter Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2020  
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Mass Schedule

**Weekdays** Ferrybank Monday to Thursday 10am

Slieverue Friday 10am

**Weekends** Saturday Evening Vigil Masses remain the same

Slieverue at 6pm, Ferrybank 7.30m

**Sunday**

Ferrybank 9.30am, Slieverue 10.30am & Ferrybank 11.30am

**Eucharistic Adoration** every Friday in Ferrybank from 11.30am to 4pm (except on the occasion of a funeral)

## Praying for those who have died...

### Recently Deceased

Terry Power, Belmont Heights

Andrew (Andy) Fleming, Dunmore,  
Galway

### Month's Mind

John Kennedy, Airmount  
(Slieverue – Sat. 6pm)

Eileen O'Toole  
(Ferrybank – Sat. 7.30pm)

Tony Whelan,  
(Slieverue 0 Sun. 10.30am)

### Anniversaries

Anne Sutton  
(Ferrybank – Sat. 7.30pm)

Pat & Minnie O'Sullivan and deceased  
members of the Condon Family  
(Ferrybank – Sat. 7.30pm)

Maria Ryan (née Sadlier)  
(Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Ann Martin  
(Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Margaret Purcell  
(Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Joan O'Mahony  
(Ferrybank – Mon. 10am)

Joe & Alice Mallon and their daughters  
Breda, Alice & Mary  
(Ferrybank – Tues. 10am)

Paddy & Vera Sutton and their sons  
Michael & Gerry  
(Ferrybank – Wed. 10am)

John Flynn  
Thomas & Mary Bridget Doyle  
Seán Connolly  
Catherine & Patrick Daly  
Elsie Hayes  
John Butler, Ballinlaw & Gyles Quay  
Maura Murphy, Ferryview

**May they rest in peace ...**

## This weekend's Good News... Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

## Launch of our new Parish Website

[www.ferrybankslieverueparishes.ie](http://www.ferrybankslieverueparishes.ie)

We are happy to announce that we are now ready to launch our new website for the parishes of Ferrybank and Slieverue. A considerable amount of work has been done over the past while in setting up the website and particularly our two webcams which will livestream all our Masses from both Churches. Of course there is a cost involved in a project like this and if you would like to make a donation towards the ongoing costs of maintaining the website & webcams you can use the Donate facility on the website. We hope that it will become a very valuable resource for our faith community in celebrating our faith but also as a source of information and communication. During the Covid pandemic we have become ever more aware of the need to find new ways to communicate the gospel and bring people together.

## Confirmation

We look forward to celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 29th August in Ferrybank and Sunday 30th August in Slieverue. Hopefully both celebrations will be able to go ahead as planned. Let us keep the young people involved and their families in our prayers as they finally get to celebrate their special day. The ceremonies will be simpler and numbers will be limited but nonetheless we hope that it will be a memorable occasion for them. An evening of preparation will be held for all the young people involved with full details being sent to families in the next days.

## Parish Prayer

Prayer cards with copies of our parish prayer will be available from next weekend.

## Pastoral Councils – Ferrybank & Slieverue

A meeting of Ferrybank Pastoral Council will take place in Ferrybank Church on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30 pm observing social distancing guidelines.

A meeting of Slieverue Pastoral Council will take place in Slieverue Church on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30 pm observing social distancing guidelines.



Please wear a face mask or face covering in Church as you would in any other public building. Thank You!

## RETURNING TO MASS

Please consider the following ... as you come to Mass or other Church Services please follow the guidance of our Ushers at all times and respect the fact that they are doing their best to keep you safe.

**KNOW THE RISK** – If you have been cocooning or have any underlying medical condition 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 watch Mass on the tv or webcams or listen on the radio. If you are able to make Mass each day you might consider staying at home at the weekends to make space for others.

## SYMPTOMS MEAN STAYING AT HOME

If you are coughing or sneezing please stay at home out of respect for others. It may be only a cold but do not risk the health of others. Please contact your G.P. if you are displaying symptoms such as cough, difficulty breathing, sneezing etc. If you display any symptoms of illness at Mass you may be invited to go to the designated area for your own safety and that of others.

## CHURCH CAPACITY

When our Churches reach full capacity you will be informed. Please be aware that due to 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.

## MONTHS MIND & ANNIVERSARIES

If you have a Month's Mind or Anniversary Mass booked we would ask you to limit the numbers attending to immediate family to avoid a situation where people will be disappointed if not admitted to the church. We would ask that you arrive early at the Church. Do also consider a weekday Mass for an anniversary if you wish to bring more. For further information contact the parish office.

## FACE MASKS

The wearing of the face masks/shields is now compulsory on public transport and all retail outlets. You are strongly encouraged to wear a face mask in Church also.

## SANITISE

When you arrive at Church please sanitise your hands before being seated and again on leaving the Church.

## SEATING

Please co-operate with the Ushers when it comes to finding a seat in the Church. There are no reserved seats and no one has a monopoly on the use of any seat.

## SOCIAL DISTANCING

Always respect social distancing guidelines and follow directions for Communion and leaving the Church. Do not gather in groups inside the Church but proceed outside immediately after Mass.

## COLLECTION BOX

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.

## CHURCH CLEANING

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

## BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

Please remember that Baptisms, & Weddings can be celebrated in compliance with public health guidelines.

Baptisms are restricted to ten people per family and no more than two families can gather in the Church at present.

Weddings and funerals can be celebrated as long as the congregation inside does not exceed fifty people in Church.

## 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. Contact us by phone 051-830813 or email: [ferrybank@ossory.ie](mailto:ferrybank@ossory.ie) [slieverue@ossory.ie](mailto:slieverue@ossory.ie)

## PARISH CENTRES

Groups who wish to book the Parish Centre in Ferrybank or Slieverue from September 2020 (if public health guidelines permit!) should contact the parish office so that arrangements can be made with each group to complete the necessary documentation for use of the centres and so we can prepare adequately for reopening and put in place Covid-19 protocols.

## 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](mailto:dlp@ossory.ie) Deputy Liaison Person**

**Ms. Rose Brophy**

**Tel. 087-331 4330**

## ST. PATRICK'S NATIONAL SCHOOL, STRANGMILLS

Now taking enrolment applications for all class levels for Sept. 2020. Please email [schooloffice@strangmillsns.ie](mailto:schooloffice@strangmillsns.ie) for details.

## 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 will not be affected but may need to slightly be adjusted if numbers are a lot lower than last year. Contact 087 6724212 for further details.

## Weekly Church Collections

**Sat. & Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2020**

Ferrybank Offertory €254.00/Envelopes €1509.00

Slieverue Offertory €228.20/Envelopes €727.50

Many thanks to all who contribute, your support is greatly appreciated.

**Ferrybank - Ministers of the Eucharist August 2020**

Saturday Vigil Mass 7.30pm Mary Ryan, Elaine Searson

Sunday 9.30am Bride Doyle, Susan Freeman

Sunday 11.30am Yvette Purdue, Margaret Hughes

**Ferrybank - Ministers of the Word Sat. 22 & Sun. 23rd Aug.**

Saturday 7.30pm Sr. Patsy Butler

Sunday 9.30am Cléir Tierney

Sunday 11.30am Bryan O'Kane

**Slieverue – Ministers of the Eucharist– 22nd & 23rd Aug.**

Saturday 6.00pm – Maria Tobin

Sunday 10.30am - Jim Doyle

**Slieverue – Ministers of the Word – 22nd & 23rd Aug.**

Saturday 6.00pm – Pdraig Byrne

Sunday 10.30am - Ann Marie O'Donoghue

**Very Rev. Kieran O'Shea P.P.**  
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