

Parishes of Ferrybank & Slieverue

Newsletter 18th October 2020 Mission Sunday Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Mission Sunday, 18 October

October is the Church's annual month of Mission, which opened on the feast of Saint Thérèse of Lisieux on 1 October, and builds up to World Mission Sunday. This year's theme is, 'Together we can do more – Blessed are the peacemakers' (Mt 5:9). World Mission Sunday was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1926, to reflect the central role of mission in the life of the Church.

World Mission Sunday is the annual appeal to support the life-giving work of missionaries. Mass will be broadcast for Mission Sunday at 11.00am on 18 October from RTÉ studios, Dublin, on LW 252 and RTÉ Radio One Extra. The celebrant will be His Excellency Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo, Apostolic Nuncio to Ireland.

In Ireland, World Mission Sunday is coordinated by World Missions Ireland, the Irish Church's official charity for overseas missions which supports the 40% of the Universal Church that is too new, young or poor to support itself. WMI is part of a network of 120 offices under the coordination of the Pontifical Mission Societies in Rome.

This year WMI has launched a special appeal as the Covid-19 pandemic has been devastating for those in the developing world. The pandemic is also threatening the work of missionaries worldwide, as Mass attendance has declined and the number of donations to charities such as WMI has dropped significantly. Please, if you can, be extra generous this weekend. Your kindness will be used in the coming months to support overseas' missionaries who dedicate their lives to some of the most impoverished and overcrowded communities in the world. To give what you can donate www.wmi/mission, call Fiona in World Missions Ireland on 01 4972035 or lodge directly: IBAB IE12BOFI90075456961636 BIC: BOFIE2D Account name: Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Envelopes for Mission Sunday Appeal are also available in our Churches. We pray for missionaries, for those who provide the support for their missions and for those who welcome them. We ask God to bless missionaries throughout the world and to grant His graces to those who minister among us. Amen

Mass schedule

During the Level 3 restrictions the following Masses will be celebrated and livestreamed on our webcams, facebook live, & broadcast via Parish Radio 103.9

Weekends

Saturday Evening 6 pm - Vigil Mass from Slieverue

Sunday 11.30 am - Sunday Mass from Ferrybank

Daily Mass

Monday - Thursday - 10 am Mass from Ferrybank

Friday - 10 am Mass from Slieverue

Mass Intentions

Please note that while the churches are closed for public Masses all Masses already booked will be offered as shared Masses at the weekend & every weekday morning as usual. All Masses booked for next weekend in Slieverue will be offered at 6 pm & Masses booked for Ferrybank will be offered at 11.30 am

Opportunities for Private Prayer (also via webcam)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue in Ferrybank on Fridays from 10.30 am - 4 pm & in Slieverue on Tuesday evenings from 7.30 pm - 8.30 pm.

Rosary every Wednesday of October at 7.30 pm (via webcam & radio)

Visitation to the Sick and Housebound

While visitation continues to be restricted those who are seriously ill can still receive the Sacraments. As we have continually pointed out in the newsletter please do not leave it until the last minute if a loved one would like to a visit from the priest. A priest may not be available at a few minutes notice.



Praying for those who have died ...

Month's Mind

Ella Kinsella

Peter & Maura Purdue

Anniversaries

Frankie Hamilton, Ringville

Jack Moore

John & Doris Byrne and their sons John & Liam

Kathleen Fleming, Drumdowney

Jennie O'Keeffe

Joan Power

Joe Walsh

Billy, Rena & Pat Waters and deceased members of the Waters Family

Tommy Doyle

Marie Bohill

David Doran, Rathpatrick

Richard Roche, Curraghmore

Annie Condon

Harry Diegmann (20th Anniv.)

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

Please note that in the event of a funeral in our parish Church the funeral Mass takes precedence over Month's Mind and Anniversary Masses that may have been booked. Where possible families will be contacted to inform them when this occurs. Arrangements can be made with the Parish Office to reschedule.

Celebrating Faith

We continue to celebrate our faith with the help of various forms of technology. Our Newsletter, Radio, Webcams, Facebook page, & Website will continue to bring all that is happening to your home. If you need assistance please do not hesitate to call us and we will do our best to ensure that you are connected. We would ask our young people to help more mature members of your families to access the various media formats. If you would like a newsletter delivered let us know and our Pastoral Councils will assist.

Parish Office

If you need anything or have any queries please contact the Parish Office as usual.

A Big Thank You!

Huge thanks to all who donated to the October Stations and Weekly Envelope collections. Your support of your parish and priest especially in these difficult times is very much appreciated!



October ... Month of the Holy Rosary

On Wednesday next, 21st October, join us in praying the Rosary on our Webcam from Ferrybank Church at 7.30pm.

St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Draw 2020/2021

The next draw will take place on Wednesday 28th October. We encourage your support for our Diocesan Cathedral! Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to become a member in the draw.

Parish Cemetery Regulations

New Terms and Conditions for the regulation of Ferrybank & Slieverue Parish Cemeteries have been drawn up and ratified by our parish Pastoral Councils. The new regulations came into effect on 1st September. Copies are available in our Churches and will soon be posted on our Parish Website.

Safeguarding Our Children

Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are

Ferrybank - Breda Freyne & Jerry Hughes and 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**

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Deise Draw

Unfortunately, the Ferrybank members had no luck in the third draw of the 2020 Deise Draw series on Wednesday night Oct 14th. The next draw takes place on Wednesday November 4th.

Ferrybank Pastoral Council Members

Sr Patsy Butler, Jacinta Byrne, John Cummins, Bríd Fetton (Secretary)

Eileen Fitzpatrick, Jerry Hughes, Mary Keane, Paschal Kennedy,

Br Joe Killoran, Moira Meaney, Michael O'Brien (Chairperson)

Kieran O' Shea, Eileen Slattery & Barbara Wells

Southern Deanery Representatives Eileen Slattery & Jacinta Byrne

Pastoral Area Representatives Michael O'Brien & Jacinta Byrne

Slieverue Pastoral Council Members

Padraig Byrne, Keira Doyle, Jerry Forrest, Sile Grant,

Breda Lynch (Chairperson), Tom O' Dwyer, Kieran O' Shea

Martin Quilty (Secretary), Michael Shalloe, Maria Tobin & Mary Walsh

Southern Deanery Representatives Keira Doyle & Jerry Forrest

Pastoral Area Representatives Breda Lynch & Sile Grant



Gospel

Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?'

But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?'

'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'

Donations

Now that our public Masses are discontinued for the moment you can still contribute to our collections by using our Donate button on the parish website or by leaving your envelope into your Parish Church.

Thank you to all our contributors for your continued support and generosity.

It is much appreciated.