# Parishes of Ferrybank & Slieverue filled with Data Signal Anticipation Mark 1:40-45

# Newsletter 14<sup>th</sup> February Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Day of Prayer for Temperance

# **Mass Schedule**

# Weekends

Saturday Evening 6 pm - Vigil Mass from **Slieverue** & Sunday 11.30am - Sunday Mass from Ferrybank **Daily Mass** Monday - Thursday - 10 am Mass from **Ferrybank** & Friday - 10 am Mass from **Slieverue Opportunities for Private Prayer (also via webcam)** 

**Eucharistic Adoration** every Friday in **Ferrybank** from 11.30am to 4pm (except on the occasion of a funeral) **Private Prayer Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** every Wednesday in **Slieverue** from 2.30pm to 3.30pm



## Remembering those who have died ... <u>Recently Deceased</u>

Antoinette Kavanagh (nee Laracy), Sion Hill House, Ferrybank/Slieverue

Thomas (Tom) Cassin, The Orchard, Slieverue/Waterford

Philomena Kavanagh (née Fetton), Ballyvalla

Joan Doyle, Milestone House., Brothers of Charity, Kilmeaden/ Ferrybank

Paul Purcell, Lismore Park and formerly of Ard Mhuire

Margaret Haberlin (née Wall), Upper Drumdowney, Snowhill, Slieverue, Kilkenny / Kinsale/ Ferrybank

> Anniversaries Carmel Roche, Drumdowney Upper

Jimmy & Maureen Claridge, Glenmore

Michael & Bridie Phelan, Waterford

Gretta & Michael O'Neill, Drumdowney

Patrick & Margaret Stapleton and deceased members of the Stapleton Family

> Kay Drohan Vincent Martin

Charlie & Jenny Drennan, Conor Shanahan & John Mullane

Helen Dunphy John Collins Mick (Plus) Power Seán Fenton & Ellen Hurley Br. Malachy Sutton Catherine Doyle, Sallypark **May they rest in peace** 



# Ash Wednesday 17th February 2021

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent. Ashes will be blessed during the 10am Mass and this can be viewed online. Unfortunately, we are not able to distribute ashes in the usual way this year due to Covid-19. However, blessed ashes in small plastic bags will be available to collect from the Parish Office from 10.30am on Wednesday morning. You are welcome to take them home and if you wish, make the sign of the cross on your own forehead (and that of your family) using these words: 'Turn away from sin and believe in the Good News'.

#### **Trocaire Boxes**

Trócaire are appealing to you to continue your support this Lent. Resources, prayers and videos are available on www.trocaire.org and donations can be made to the Lent campaign in the following ways: Collect a Trócaire box from the back of the church or Online at www.trocaire.org or By phone: 1850 408 408 (ROI) or 0800 912 1200 (NI). This year's theme is "War has taken enough...please help this Lent".

# **Lenten Stations**

The Lenten Stations for the support of the Priests of the Parish are being taken up at this time. Many thanks for your continued support.

#### Sick and Housebound

Thank you to all who sent in names of loved ones who are sick for prayer on world day of the sick. We will continue to keep them in their prayers in the coming days and weeks.

At this time it is not possible to visit the sick regularly at home or in hospital. If you would like Fr Kieran to be aware of a family member who is sick please contact him directly or via the parish office. Otherwise he might not know & only information from families can be acted upon. Please see our special leaflet available in our churches and on our website in relation to ministry to the sick. Those who are seriously ill or family members of someone nearing death who wish to receive the sacraments can still contact Fr Kieran or the Parish Office to organise a pastoral visit in a safe way. You are encouraged to do this as soon as possible when some one becomes sick so it is not left until the last minute as a priest may not be available at a few minutes notice.

Let us continue to pray for all the sick in our parishes especially in these difficult and worrying times. Christ is the one who brings us hope and raises us up.

#### **Funerals**

10 people are allowed to attend funerals in accordance with Government guidelines. We ask people to strictly adhere to this number and to continue with social distancing to safeguard ourselves and one another. Please use hand sanitiser before entering the church.

# Dying with Dignity? A Reflection

Join us for a virtual gathering to explore the Dying with Dignity Bill. Moral theologian Rev. Dr Michael Shortall will lead us in a short reflection on this controversial bill facing the Irish people. To sign up simply <u>email afd@ossory.ie</u> for the link for this gathering on Monday, 1st March at 7.30pm.

## **Preparing for the Sacraments**

Join us for a virtual gathering to explore the importance of preparing to celebrate the Sacraments. Many in our parishes are preparing remotely for Sacraments that we hope to celebrate later this year. Join with sacramental theologian and lecturer in Boston College Rev. Dr Liam Bergin who will lead parents in our parishes on a reflection of the importance of preparation. To sign up simply <u>email</u> <u>afd@ossory.ie</u> for the link for this gathering - date to be confirmed.

# **The Bible - Our Friend**

Join us for a virtual gathering to explore the Bible and its importance in the Christian tradition. How can I use the Bible more in my daily life? Join with Fr Sean Maher, Kildare and Leighlin, as we explore in a simple way the role of scripture in our lives. To sign up simply <u>email</u> <u>afd@ossory.ie</u> for the link for this gathering on Monday, 8th March at 7.30pm.

# Thought for the day eBook

Why not download the simple thought for the day eBook, free, from the Diocesan website or iBook Store. Each day is marked by a short moment of prayer and reflection as we journey thought Lent together.

# Sunday's of Lent eBook

Why not download the Sunday's of Lent eBook, free, from the Diocesan website or iBooks store. What does the Gospel say? What does it say to me/us? What does it lead us to? Short reflections on the gospels of each Sunday as we make our Lenten journey.

# Lectio Divina - Zoom

Each Monday night of Lent why not join for a virtual gathering of Lectio Divina. This 30-40 minute gathering allows us to come together to reflect on the scriptures and what they are saying to us today. To sign up simply <u>email afd@ossory.ie</u> for the link.

#### **Lent Texts**

Sign up for a free daily thought sent to you by text message. A little prompt on your phone to pause each day during this Lenten journey. Text your number to 085 8313100 to sign up.

#### Lent Tweets

Follow @OssoryDiocese for a simple thought each day during this Lenten journey. Have your timeline prompt you to pause each day to be reminded of our Lenten journey.

# **Online Resources**

Lots of online resources for Lent are available on the Ossory website. Download them for use in your parish or home.

#### **Celebrating Faith**

We continue to celebrate our faith with the help of various forms of technology. Our Newsletter, Radio (103.9fm Ferrybank & 106.8fm Slieverue)), 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.

#### **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 6pm & Masses booked for Ferrybank will be offered at 11.30 am

#### Weekly Church Collections 6th & 7<sup>th</sup> February 2021

FerrybankEnvelopes €291Standing Orders Total for Jan.€492.00SlieverueEnvelopes €460.00Offertory Donation €50.00Diocesan Charities €150.00Many thanks to all who havecontinued to support the parish andthe priests.

#### **Donate Button**

For those who wish to donate to our parishes and may not be able to do so directly you can contribute by using the donate button on our parish website.

Thanks to all who have contributed already via our online Donate facility.

#### **Parish Office**

The Parish Office is closed to visitors at this time but if we can help you with anything, please contact us on the phone on 051-830 813 or email: <u>ferrybank@ossory.ie</u> <u>slieverue@ossory.ie</u>

#### 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, Maria Condon, Keira Do yle, 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

# **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:- **Diocesan Designated Liaison Person** – <u>Mr</u> <u>Cathal</u> Cullen, Tel. 087 100 0232. email dlp@ossory.ie



I said a Valentine Prayer for you and asked the Lord above to fill your heart and bless your soul with the precious gift of love.

I asked Him for sincere love, the kind that's meant to stay just like the generous love you give to those you touch each day.

I prayed for love from family and from every cherished friend. Then I asked the Lord to give you his life that knows no end.

**Contact Information**