

# Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Newsletter

14<sup>th</sup> March 2021



### 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*



### Remembering those who have died ... *Recently Deceased*

Joan O'Callaghan (née Walsh), Belmont Heights,  
Ferrybank/ Kilmacow, Kilkenny

### *Month's Mind*

Philomena Kavanagh, Ballyvalla

### *Anniversaries*

Terry Power (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)

Maisie & John Butler, Ballinlaw & Gyles Quay

Deceased members of the Power Family, Milepost

Joe Evans, Ballinamona

Patricia (Pat) Mulligan (née Walsh), Slieverue Village

Ellen Wall, Davidstown

Kate, Maurice, Seán & Bill Kirwan, Milepost

John Doherty

Eileen Reilly (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)

Maureen Murphy

Patrick Heffernan

Tommy & Stella Brennan

All deceased Ferrybank Scout Leaders

Bridget Whelan

Nora Kiely

Dermot McDermott

Maura Burns

Jimmy Gleeson

*May they rest in peace ...*

### Contact Information

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Ferrybank/Slieverue

Parish Office

Tel. 051-830813

Mon. -Fri. 10am to 1pm

Ms. Marie Cashin/Ms. Angela O'Brien



**St. Patrick's Day**  
**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021**  
**Masses**  
**Slieverue 10.30am**  
**Ferrybank 11.30am**



*Beannactaí na Féile Pádraig!*

### **Lent 2021**

How is Lent going? Remember it is never too late to begin! Lots of options from our diocesan faith development group and our own parish resources and events. See our website and facebook page for all that is happening. Great to see so many tuning in for Mass each day and our stations of the cross on Sunday and Wednesday, and to our daily reflection on facebook & website reaching so many people.

### **Evening for parents of First Holy Communion & Confirmation Children**

Why not 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, on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021, at 7.30pm. Registration will be available on the Ossory website.

### **Celebrating Easter**

At this stage it looks like we will not be able to gather to celebrate Easter in our Churches. Not being able to gather safely for weekend Masses & Easter is currently causing great sadness for people of faith everywhere. Nonetheless we will celebrate the Death & Resurrection of the Lord and bring those celebrations to you via technology and any way we can. During the coming week our pastoral councils will explore ways of celebrating Easter & helping families to participate so that we can continue to grow in communion with one another and with the Lord.

### **Having deceased loved ones prayed for at Mass and names in the Newsletter**

Families who wish to have recently deceased loved ones whose funerals take place outside of the parish remembered at Mass and their names placed in the newsletter are welcome to contact the parish office and we will be delighted to include them. Names can only be included at the request of families or their representatives.

### **Visitation of the Sick and housebound**

People are asking when will priests be able to resume First Friday & hospital visitation and attend funeral homes and homes for funeral prayers? The answer is – when it is safe to do so, when permitted by health authority guidelines & when priests have been vaccinated. No priest should put himself in a position to be infected or to infect others, to do so would be totally irresponsible. Please note that in the event of a family requiring the priest for someone who is seriously ill or dying there is no problem as a pastoral visit can be organised in a safe way. You are encouraged to do this as soon as possible when someone becomes sick so it is not left until the last minute as a priest may not be available at a few minutes notice. Please see our special leaflet available on our website in relation to ministry to the sick.

## Funerals

The number of people permitted by the public health authorities and government to attend funerals in churches is ten people. People are asked not to gather outside churches or in the cemetery. The church observes these laws in the interest of public health & respect for life. No one would like to be responsible for the spread of the Covid Virus or indeed for the serious illness or death of a family member or friend.

We thank all bereaved families for their solidarity with others and we look forward to the day when everyone is vaccinated and when the level of disease has decreased to such an extent that we can gather to celebrate the funerals of our loved ones again.

## St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration - Monthly Draw

Thanks to all who continue to support the Monthly Draw in aid of the Restoration of the Cathedral. The January, February and March draw will take place at the end of March.

## 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 & 7th March 2021

Ferrybank Envelopes €435.50/Offertory Donation €50.00/Sanding Orders Total for Feb. €453.00

Slieverue Envelopes €267.00/Diocesan Charities €85.00

Many thanks to all who have continued to support the parish and the 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.



Every year Trócaire asks for your help during Lent to fund lifesaving programmes around the world. Families are appealing to you to continue your support this Lent. Resources, prayers and videos are available on [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org) and donations can be made to the Lenten campaign in the following ways:

1. By collecting a Trócaire Box in the Church
2. Online at [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)
3. By phone 1850 408408

For all our Lenten initiatives see our facebook page and website

### Stations of the Cross

Join us for the Way of the Cross on Friday at 3pm from Ferrybank & Sunday 3pm from Slieverue.

### A Word for each day of Lent

See our Word from God for each day of Lent on our facebook page and reflection area of our website. A simple way to engage with the Word of God each day.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Slieverue Tues. 7.30pm - 8.30pm Ferrybank Fri. 11.30am - 4 pm

### 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.

### 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.

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

## 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 – Mr Cathal Cullen**, Tel. 087 100 0232. email [dlp@ossory.ie](mailto:dlp@ossory.ie)

## 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 Doyle, Jerry Forrest, Síle 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 & Síle Grant

## St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021



## HOLY WEEK ONLINE RETREAT

Open Access online retreat reflecting on the Passion of Christ.

FREE!

Register Now

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## Ringville Mixed National School

Taking enrolments for September 2021. Please contact Ringville Mixed National School on 051 832 635 or email [secretary@ringvillens.ie](mailto:secretary@ringvillens.ie) for further information or enquiries School website : [ringvillens.ie](http://ringvillens.ie)