

Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes



Newsletter 21st March 2021

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**

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 22nd 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. *More details of our Easter Ceremonies to follow next week!*

Holy Week Ceremonies 2021 Ferrybank & Slieverue

Wednesday 31st March 2021

Mass of Christ online 7.00pm (St. Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny)

Holy Thursday, 1st April, 2021 - No Morning Mass

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00pm in Ferrybank Church

Good Friday, 2nd April, 2021 - No Morning Mass

Stations of the Cross 12 noon in Slieverue Church

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3.00 pm in Slieverue Church

Holy Saturday, 3rd April, 2021

Easter Vigil 7.00pm Ferrybank Church

Easter Sunday, 4th April, 2021

Mass 10.30am in Slieverue Church



Having deceased loved ones prayed for at Mass/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.

Prayer to St. Joseph, husband of Mary

Blessed Joseph,

In life you protected and cherished Mary as your wife.

You loved the Child Jesus as your Son, and kept Him safe from danger.

Watch over us this day, as you watched over your family.

Guard and protect us from the dangers that face us,

shield us from the anxiety of our hearts. Through your example may we find the courage,

love and faith to walk through these days, trusting in God and caring for one another, as

you cared for your family. St Joseph, pray for us. Amen



Remembering those who have died ...



Recently Deceased

Nora Boden (née O'Meara), St. Killian's Place

Elizabeth Bergin, Abbeylands

Danny Dowling, Glenmore/Slieverue/New Ross

Jo Ryan (née Doherty), late of Rosbercon and formerly of Davidstown

Month's Mind

Tom Cassin, The Orchard & Waterford

Anniversaries

Richard (Dick) Doherty (1st Anniv.)

John Rellis (1st Anniv.)

Eileen Knox, Ballinlaw

Ellen & Joseph Lynch & Pakie Lynch

John Doherty, Davidstown

Joe, John & Rose Bollard

Mary Walsh

Deceased members of the Costello & O'Dowd Families

Micheál & Siobhán O'Gráda
(50th Anniv. for Micheál)

Eily O'Donoghue

Aggie Myers (25th Anniv.)

Michael & Jerry Sutton

Joe Walsh (Birthday Remembrance)

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



For all our Lenten initiatives see our facebook page and website

Stations of the Cross

Join us for the Way of the Cross on Wednesday at 7pm 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 Wed. 2.30pm-3.30pm & 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.

Sustaining Faith in a time of Pandemic.

Join Pope Francis for his weekly Wednesday audience, Sunday Angelus and all Lenten Services, live from Rome, from the safety and comfort of your home. Watching is easy! Free to air on Sky TV Channel 588 - Virgin Media 815 – www.ewtn.ie or download the app to your phone. To receive a Free Catholic TV Guide, contact EWTN, PO Box, Limerick. Call 065 683 5891 or E-mail: mail@ewtn.ie.

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 13th & 14th March 2021

Ferrybank Envelopes €531.50/offertory Donation €40.00/Slieverue Envelopes €436.00/Offertory Donation €40.00/Diocesan Charities €40.00
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.

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 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

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, 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

Bereavement Support

Kilkenny Bereavement Support is a voluntary organisation that offers a free listening service to bereaved people of all ages. Because of Covid-19 we are not able to offer face to face meetings. At the moment, we support the bereaved by phone or by Zoom. For appointment: phone 056 775 6538 or email director@kilkennybereavementsupport.com.

Vacancy for a Tenant

Slieverue Community Housing Association Ltd. wishes to announce a vacancy for a tenant in The Orchard, Slieverue. Application forms are available from Katherine Grant, Curraghmore, Slieverue. Applications close on Friday April 9th.

Ringville Mixed National School

Taking enrolments for September 2021. Please contact Ringville Mixed National School on 051-832 635 or email secretary@ringville.ie for further information or enquiries School website: ringvillens.ie

Legion of Mary Annual Acies Ceremony

The Annual Acies Ceremony (act of consecration to our Lady) for Active and Auxiliary members of the legion of Mary will take place by livestream from <https://www.mcmedia.tv/camera/st-pauls-s>



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 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
3. By phone 1850 408408