# **Parishes of Ferrybank & Slieverue**

# Newsletter

Weekends

# Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2021 Third Sunday of Lent

# **Mass Schedule**



Saturday Evening 6 pm - Vigil Mass from *Slieverue* & Sunday 11.30am - Sunday Mass from *Ferrybank* <u>Daily Mass</u>

Monday - Thursday - 10 am Mass from Ferrybank & Friday - 10 am Mass from Slieverue

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in

peace. Amen.

#### Remembering those who have died ...

<u>Recently Deceased</u> Seamus Walsh, Newrath

John Noel McHugh, Clonmel

Month's Mind Jim Barrett Margaret Haberlin Nicholas Power

#### **Anniversaries**

Vincent & Nancy Cuddy, Slieverue Village

Dick Morrissey (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)

Michael Murphy and deceased members of the Murphy Family, Ballyvalla

Peggy Kennedy, Airmount

Anne & Robert Hayden & Mary Ellen Buckley

Christopher (Cristo) Langan (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)

Anthony & Patrick O'Dea

John Joe Whelan and his mother Bridget Whelan

Martin Coyne

Sheila Farrell

Gerard O'Callaghan

Ruth Howard May they rest in peace ...

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#### Sick & Housebound

We continue to keep in our prayers all those who are sick in our hospitals or at home and those awaiting test results. At this time, it is not possible to visit the sick regularly at home or in hospital but 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 and 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 someone becomes sick so it is not left until the last minute as a priest may not be available at a few minutes notice.

#### **Prayer for Lent**

Lord Jesus,

You opened the eyes of the blind, healed the sick,

forgave the sinful woman, and after Peter's denial confirmed him in your love. Listen to my humble prayer:

forgive all my sins, renew your love in my heart, help me to live in perfect unity with my fellow Christians that I may proclaim your saving power to all the world. Amen.

#### Saint Vincent de Paul

Your support is always appreciated and needed on an ongoing basis. Donations can be dropped into the Parish Office or to the Church at any time. THANK YOU.

#### 107<sup>th</sup> World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Pope Francis has announced the theme for the 107<sup>th</sup> World Day of Migrants and Refugees to take place on 26 September, which this year is "Towards an ever wider 'we'. The Church marked the first celebration of the World Day of Migrants and Refugees in 1914, to express support and concern for people who are forced to flee their homes. Catholics around the world are invited to pray for refugees and migrants in their many difficulties, and to learn more about the benefits which migration offers.

#### 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.

#### Kilkenny Bereavement Support

Contact the Kilkenny Bereavement Support group: phone 056-7756538, or, director@kilkennybereavementsupport.com.

#### **Covid-19 Support Line for Older People**

ALONE manage a Covid-19 national support line for older people. Call 0818 222 024.

#### **Samaritans**

We Are Here for You Every hour, every day, a Samaritan is waiting to answer your call. Please don't suffer in silence. We are here today, and always, on freephone 116 123 or email jo@samaritans.ie.

#### Accord Relationship Counselling

Many individuals, couples and families experience ongoing levels of tension and stress. Call the couples and relationships support line on 01 531 3331, staffed by counsellors Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 8.00pm. Visit accord.ie to check for a face to face appointments.

#### Age Action

Age Action is offering five hours tutoring, by telephone, to anyone who needs support using their smart device or laptop. Covering topics like how to set up an email, how to download an app, how to us video to see your loved ones etc. For more information, please call 01 475 6989 or email gettingstarted@ageaction.ie.

#### **Irish Bishops Support Vaccine**

Last December the Irish Catholic Bishops in a statement said that "safe and effective vaccination is an essential aspect of the prevention of disease". They encouraged Catholics to support the programme of vaccination "not only for their own good, but for the protection of life and the health of those who are vulnerable and for the common of humanity". The good Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith made a similar call to all Catholics in its Note on the morality of Covid-19 vaccines (21 December 2020). The Council for Healthcare of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference wishes to reiterate that message and urges everyone to support the vaccination programmes currently in place in the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland.

#### **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 20th & 21st Feb. 2021

Ferrybank Envelopes €813.00 Slieverue Envelopes €349.00 Lourdes €20.00 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

& Síle Grant



Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money-changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.



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.trócaire.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 <u>www.trocaire.org</u>
- 3. By phone 1850 408408

## **The Pope's Intentions March 2021**

Sacrament of reconciliation – Let us pray that we may experience the Sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.



# **LENT 2021**

### 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

#### 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 To sign up simply email lives. afd@ossory.ie 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 email afd@ossory.ie 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.