It is the *Spirit* who gives *life*; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and

they are life.

John 6:63

<u>Mass Readings</u> Jos 24:1-2,15-18 Ps 33:2-3,16-23 R/v 9. Eph 5:21-32 Jn 6:60-69

Remembering those who have died ...

Recently Deceased Michael (Mick) McDonald, Airmount Road, Slieverue

Anniversaries Marie & Colin Maher (Slieverue – Sat. 6pm)

Margaret (Peg) Dalton (Ferrybank – Sat. 7pm)

Michael & Nellie Maher (Ferrybank – Sat. 7pm)

Margaret Purcell (Ferrybank – Sun. 9.30am)

Paudy Walsh (1st Anniv.) (Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Eamon Ronan (Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Ann Martin (Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Mary Keating & Bridget Keating Walsh (Ferrybank – Mon. 10am)

Tommy O'Donoghue (Ferrybank – Tues. 10am)

Terry & Catherine Sullivan (Ferrybank – Thurs. 10am)

Ellen (Eily) Walsh, Bellevue (Slieverue – Fri. 10am)

May they rest in peace

Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes

Newsletter 22nd August 2021

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass Monday to Thursday 10am Mass from Ferrybank & Friday - 10.00am from Slieverue

Saturday Vigil 6pm Slieverue and 7pm Ferrybank (please note Saturday evening change of time in Ferrybank)

Sunday 9.30am in Ferrybank 10.30am in Slieverue 11.30am in Ferrybank

Eucharistic Adoration

every Friday in Ferrybank from 11.30am to 4pm (except on the occasion of a funeral)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday in *Slieverue* Church from 2.30pm – 3.30pm

All our Masses and Services will continue to be live streamed on our Parish Webcams and are also available on our Parish Radio Ferrybank 103.9fm & Slieverue 106.8fm

Let's keep each other safe and abide by some simple measures when coming to Church ... •If you are sick stay at home •Wear a face mask, this applies whether you are vaccinated or not. •Sanitise your hand on entering and leaving •Follow the advice and direction of the ushers •When the Church has reached capacity of 50 or pod capacity admission will not be possible •Directions for the reception of the Eucharist will be given during Mass •The Eucharist can only be received in the hand •Please leave the Church without gathering in small groups inside

•Collection boxes will be available at the entrance of the Church

Gospel John 6:60-69

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before? 'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer'. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. 'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him. Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

Accord Recruiting Volunteers as Marriage Facilitators:

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. Accord is seeking registration of interest from those who have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church and the enthusiasm to be part of a team supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally in accordance with best practice. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to info@accord.ie. The closing date for receipt of registration of interest forms to be included in Selections for this year is Friday 27th August. Additional information is available on www.accord.ie



St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Draw

The last draw in the current year will be held on Wednesday next, 25th August in The Chapter Room. Good luck to everyone! Bishop Denis Nulty, Apostolic Administrator, Ossory has written to all parishes in the Diocese thanking them for their generosity in supporting St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund Draw every year. The draw has raised nearly \notin 600,000 in the past six years since it commenced which he says is a tribute to the commitment by the people of the Diocese.

The Monthly Draw is an important source of income to support St Mary's Cathedral and it's plans to continue the great work begun in the last few years. As we launch the draw for the 2021/2022, we ask once again for your renewed support. The annual prize fund is $\notin 60,000$ and the subscription is $\notin 120$ per annum or $\notin 10$ per month. Draw tickets are available at the Parish Office. Your support is appreciated. *Be in to win!*

Visitation of the sick and the housebound

It is now possible for Fr. Kieran to visit housebound parishioners with the sacraments. The following will apply until further notice in relation to visitation of the sick.

Those sick at home or who are no longer able to come to Mass.

Firstly, ask the sick person if they would like to be visited by the priest and receive the Sacraments. If they consent then contact the Parish Office to arrange a visit. Please give name and address of the person to be visited along with Eircode.

After the first visit the person can be placed on the monthly visitation list if they so wish.

In the old days there was a tendency to call the priest at the last minute to anoint the person before death. This is no longer our understanding of the celebration of the Sacraments for the sick & dying. When a person becomes ill, receives a serious diagnosis or because of frailty is no long able to attend Mass that is the time to contact the priest so that they can be strengthened by the Sacraments and prayer of the Church community. It should also be remembered that because of the many commitments of priests today there is no guarantee that they can be available at a minute's notice. The rule of thumb is – DO NOT LEAVE IT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE.

Those in hospital

At the moment it is not possible to visit those in hospital. A chaplain is available at all times to administer the Sacraments. Nonetheless Fr. Kieran would appreciate if you would tell him if your loved ones are in hospital so that they can be added to our prayer list.

Those in nursing homes

If you have a loved one in a nursing home who would like a pastoral visit, please inform the parish office so that it can be arranged with the nursing home and the family.

In all cases ...

Please be aware that Fr. Kieran can only visit the sick having received a request from the family himself or via the parish office and not on second hand information from others. This is in line with GDPR regulations now in force. More detailed information on Pastoral care of the Sick can be found in our leaflet on care of the Sick available in our Churches and on our Website.

Recently Baptised

The Christian Community welcomes its newest members ... Fionn Walsh & Reuben Walsh who were baptised recently in the Church of the Assumption, Slieverue



Baptisms

Baptisms can now be booked through the Parish Office. In the interests of safety only twelve people per family of the child to be baptised are allowed attend a baptism ceremony in church.

Funerals

50 people are permitted to attend funeral ceremonies in the Church.

Saints of the Week

Mon. 23rd August St. Rose of Lima, virgin She was born in Lima, Peru in 1586. She was a



very devout girl who had a great regard for and was

influenced by Saint Catherine of Sienna. She spent many hours in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Her parents wished her to get married but she decided that she would take a vow of celibacy. She helped the sick and hungry people in the community. At the age of twenty she entered the Third Order of St Dominic. She spent most of her time in prayer. God often appeared to her. She died in 1617. Pope Clement 1X canonised her in 1671. Her feast day is celebrated on August 23.

Mon. 23rd August St. Eugene, bishop

Tues. 24th August St. Bartholomew, apostle

<u>Wed. 25th August</u> St. Louis of France St. Joseph Calasanz, priest <u>Fri. 27th August</u> St. Monica, patron saint of mothers <u>Sat. 28th August</u> St. Augustine, bishop & doctor of the Church



Slieverue - Ministers of the Eucharist 28th & 29th August 2021

Sat. Vigil Mass 6.00pm Deirdre Costello Sun. 10.30am Liam O'Brien

Ferrybank - Ministers of the Eucharist August 2021

Saturday Vigil Mass 7.00pm Maura Moore & Elaine Searson Sunday 9.30am Bride Doyle & Susan Freeman Sunday 11.30am Margaret Hughes & Br. Frank Brennan



Ferrybank -Ministers of the Word

28th & 29th August 2021. Saturday 7.00pm Sr. Patsy Butler Sunday 9.30am Mary Griffin Sunday 11.30am Una Hyaden

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 – Ms. Kathleen Sherry, Tel. 087 100 0232 email dlp@ossory.ie www.ossory.ie/safeguarding

Slieverue Pastoral Council

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

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Weekly Church Collections 7th & 8th August 2021

Slieverue

Envelopes €200.00/Offertory €257.40 <u>Ferrybank</u>

Envelopes €615.00/Offertory €258.00

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