

Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes

Newsletter 5th September 2021 Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass

Monday to Thursday 10am Mass
from *Ferrybank*

Friday - 10.00am from *Slieverue*

Saturday Vigil

6pm *Slieverue*

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 are live streamed
on our Parish Webcams and are also
available on our Parish Radio
Ferrybank 103.9fm & Slieverue 106.8fm

Gospel Mark 7:31-37

'He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak'

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

First Confessions

The girls of Our Lady of Good Counsel National School and the boys of St. Mary's National School will celebrate the Sacrament of First Confession on Tuesday next 7th September at 7pm in *Ferrybank Church*.

The boys and girls from Our Lady of Lourdes, *Slieverue* and *Ringville National Schools* will celebrate First Confessions on Wednesday evening 8th September at 7pm in *Slieverue Church*.

First Holy Communion

On Saturday next 11th September the children from Our Lady of Good Counsel G.N.S. and St. Mary's Boys' B.N.S. will celebrate the sacrament in two ceremonies at 10.30am and 12.30pm respectively in *Ferrybank Church*.

The children from Our Lady of Lourdes, *Slieverue* and *Ringville National Schools* will celebrate the sacrament at 12.00 noon on Sunday 12th September in *Slieverue Church*.

We congratulate the children and their parents and thank our teachers and school staff who have patiently journeyed with the children to bring them to this day.

The celebration of First Holy Communion will mean some changes to our weekend schedules in our two parishes. They are as follows :-

Saturday 11th September *Ferrybank*

Funerals will not be celebrated in *Ferrybank*

Sunday 12th September, *Slieverue*

As First Holy Communion Masses are only open to families involved our usual 10.30am Mass will be celebrated on Sunday morning to accommodate regular Mass goers in *Slieverue*.

Funerals will not be celebrated in *Slieverue*

Leaving Cert Results

Thinking and praying for all Leaving Cert Students who got their results on Friday last. No matter what your ambitions or results were, remember there are many different ways to reach your goals. Be proud of the work you have done in what have been incredible circumstances. Huge thanks to all parents and teachers for all their hard work during the year.

Remembering those who have died...

Recently Deceased

Jim Cantwell,
Belmont Road/Long Island, USA

Month's Mind

Thomas (Tommy) Stokes
(*Ferrybank* – Sun. 11.30am)

Anniversaries

Nicky O'Connor, Milepost/Tramore
(*Slieverue* – Sat. 6pm)

Peter & Maura Purdue (1st Anniv.)
(*Ferrybank* – Sat. 7pm)

Jim & Maura O'Donoghue
(*Ferrybank* – Sun. 9.30am)

Patrick & Mary Costello and their son Michael
(*Ferrybank* – Sun. 9.30am)

Mary Ann McLoughlin and her daughters
Margaret Hennessy and Mary (Tessie)
Mailvaganam
(*Ferrybank* – Sun. 9.30am)

Thomas & Delia Grant, Curraghmore
(*Slieverue* – Sun. 10.30am)

Lizzie Walsh
(*Slieverue* – Sun. 10.30am)

Gretta & Leonard Mulcahy
(*Ferrybank* – Sun. 11.30am)

Angela & James Sheridan and Bridget Kelly
(1st Anniv. for Bridget)
(*Ferrybank* – Mon. 10am)

Helen (Ella) Kearney
(*Slieverue* – Fri. 10am)

Patrick & Elizabeth O'Brien

May they rest in peace...

A PRAYER AS OUR SCHOOLS REOPEN

Loving God, we ask you to wrap our diocesan school family in a cloak of love & protection as our schools reopen.

Bless our boards of management & staff as they continue to provide a welcoming & safe learning environment for all.

Bless our parents who entrust their children to us, confident we can all work together to help them become the very best that they can be.

Bless our pupils, the reason for our being. May they continue to learn well & always know that they are safe, secure & protected in your loving embrace. Gracious God, we are confident that through the intercession of St. Kieran and St. Canice and all our saints, your love & care for each of us always endures. May we show the same love & care for one another in all we do & say this year.

Amen



The Season of Creation 1st September - 4th October

'A Home for All? Restoring our Common Home'.

The Season of Creation or Creation Time is marked throughout the Christian World for the month of September until the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on the 4th October, celebrating the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness to protect the natural environment. 'Rivers do not drink their own water, trees do not eat their own fruit, the sun does not shine on itself and flowers do not spread their fragrance for themselves. Living for others is a rule of nature. We are all born to help each other No matter how difficult it is... Life is good when you are happy, but much better when others are happy because of you'. Pope Francis

St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Draw

As we launch the draw for the 2021/2022, we ask once again for your renewed support. 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.

The annual prize fund is €60,000 and the subscription is €120 per annum or €10 per month. We have had eight lucky winners since the Draw commenced back in 2015 collecting a total of €4,300 in prize money. Draw tickets are available at the Parish Office.

St. Mary's Cathedral, like any Cathedral, is a significant building for its Diocese. But for all parishes within the diocese, it is a spiritual font of faith and a symbol of belonging to the wider Catholic family. It is a reminder of God's presence and love for all. We encourage your support to improve, maintain and preserve our diocesan Cathedral. **Be in to win!**

Kilkenny County Council Mobile Library Service

The mobile library is returning, following an absence of eighteen months. On Sept 16th, Oct 14th, Nov 11th, Dec 9th, it will visit Slieverue from 11.00-11.30, Glenmore NS from 11.50-12.30 and Shanbogh NS from 12.40-1.20. Membership is free. Just bring ID. The staff look forward to meeting all the locals. Enquiries to Library Reception 7794160

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Anam Cara - Supporting Parents after Bereavement

Anam Cara would like to invite you to join us for an online Bereavement Information and Support Evening taking place 16th September at 7pm. This event will give you an opportunity to hear a bereavement professional talk about the difficult challenges and many milestones grieving a child of any age has on you and your family. If you would like to join us please register here <https://bit.ly/3Dzypbc> or contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 288 8888

Applications are welcome for vacancies on the Community Employment Scheme in Kilmacow.

The work involves care and maintenance of the Parish church, office, cemetery and village environs. If you would like further information please contact the CE Office (087 286 4982) at Narabane Centre Kilmacow or email kilmacowcentre@live.com.

Saints of the week

Wed. 8th September *The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

We celebrate the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary who brought the dawn of hope & salvation to the world. She is the true Ark of the Covenant, the temple of God, because her body received the one Mediator.

Thurs. 9th September *St. Ciaran, abbot*

Born in Roscommon around 512. He came to Clonmacnois in Jan. of 545 where he founded a monastery which was to become one of the most renowned in Europe. He died at the age of 33 while the monastery was still being built.

Fri. 10th September *St. Peter Claver*

Born in Verdu, Catalonia in 1580 – a member of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits).

Weekly Church Collections

14th & 15th August 2021

Slieverue

Envelopes €275.69 (Inc. August Online & Standing Orders)

Offertory €340.65

Ferrybank

Envelopes €878.30/Offertory €283.70

Total Standing Orders – August €498.00

Many thanks to all who contribute weekly, monthly & yearly and to those who donate online and by Standing Order. Your support is very much appreciated!

Safeguarding Our Children

Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are

Ferrybank - Breda Freyne & Jerry Hughes

Slieverue - Mary Kenny.

Ms. Kathleen Sherry is the **Diocesan Director of Safeguarding and Designated Liaison Person**. Telephone: 085 802 1633

Email: safeguarding@ossory.ie

All safeguarding documents are on www.ossory.ie

Slieverue - Ministers of the Eucharist

11th & 12th September 2021

Sat. Vigil Mass 6.00pm Peter Dunne

Sun. 10.30am Liam O'Brien

New Rota for Slieverue Eucharistic Ministers now available in the Sacristy.

Ferrybank - Ministers of the Eucharist September

Saturday Vigil Mass 7.00pm Mary White & Angela O'Brien

Sunday 9.30am Eileen Fitzpatrick & Margaret O'Driscoll

Sunday 11.30am Maria Ronan & Eileen Long

Ferrybank - Ministers of the Word

11th & 12th September 2021.

Saturday 7.00pm Yvette Purdue

Sunday 9.30am Cléir Tierney

Sunday 11.30am Bryan O'Kane

Slieverue Pastoral Council

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

Ferrybank Pastoral Council

Sr Patsy Butler, Jacinta Byrne, 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

Pope's Intentions - September 2021

Universal Intention - *An environmentally sustainable lifestyle.* We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

Found

A pair of Ladies glasses were left in Ferrybank Church after Masses last weekend. For more information contact Sacristy/Parish Office.

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Ms. Marie Cashin/Ms. Angela O'Brien