

Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes

The First Miracle
JOHN 2:1-11

Newsletter Sunday 16th January 2022

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings ... Is 62:1-5 Ps 95:1-3, 7-10, R/v 3. 1 Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11



Mass Schedule

Daily Mass

Monday to Thursday 10am Mass – Ferrybank Friday - 10.00am - Slieverue

Saturday Vigil 6pm Slieverue & 7pm Ferrybank

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

Eucharistic Adoration Slieverue Every Wednesday 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 Luke 1:1-4,4:14-21

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

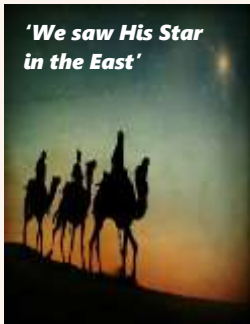
Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him. He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written:

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to

the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour. He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

WEEK OF PRAYER for Christian Unity 18th – 25th of January 2022.



'We saw His Star in the East'

Week of prayer for Christian Unity is from Tuesday 18th January and ends on Tuesday 25th January the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle. The theme this year is "We saw the star in the East and we have come to worship him" (Matt 2:2) from the account of the visit of the 3 Wisemen (Matt: 2:1-12)

The story of the Magi visiting the Holy Family in Bethlehem is one very familiar to us. The Magi have sometimes been seen as a symbol of the world's diversity - different religions and cultures that come to pay homage to the Christ Child.

This is a week of prayer for unity among all Christians when we all pray for the intention of Christ trust "all may be one" (John 17:21)

Remembering those who have died ...



Recently Deceased ...

Ann M. Gibbons (née Crotty),
Kilkenny City

John Ryan, Cork and formerly of
Rose Cottage, Lower Grange,
Waterford

Month's Mind

Kit (Catherine) Brennan
(Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Anniversaries

Alice Coady, Milepost (1st Anniv.)
(Slieverue – Sat. 6pm)

Thomas Shalloe and his daughter Martina Dempsey,
Kilmurry (Slieverue – Sat. 6pm)

Paul Kennedy (Ferrybank – Sat. 7pm)

Annie, Jackie & Georgie Martin (Ferrybank – Sat. 7pm)

Andy Irish, Rathpatrick (Slieverue – Sun. 10.30am)

Michael & Lily Frisby (Slieverue – Sun. 10.30am)

Julie Kelly (Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Robert Smith (Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Evelyn Hearn (Ferrybank – Tues. 10am)

William (Billy) Griffith (Ferrybank – Wed. 10am)

Bridget & Patrick Ryan (Ferrybank – Thurs. 10am)

Richard Roche, Curraghmore

Brendan Hughes

Peter Ryan & Family

Patrick Condon

May they rest in peace ...

Covid-19: Please Take Extra Care at this Time and follow these recommended guidelines when attending Church.

- * Do not come to Mass if you have a cough/cold or feel unwell
- * Follow the advice of our volunteer ushers who will seat as many people as permitted
- * Wear a face mask
- * Follow the instructions for coming forward to receive Holy Communion
- * Receive Holy Communion in the hand only
- * Maintain adequate social distancing inside and outside the church
- * Take the Newsletters, Mass leaflets etc. you have handled home with you
- * Cover your coughs and sneezes
- * Keep your hands virus free by using sanitizers.

Celebration of Baptism

Ferrybank and Slieverue 2022

Baptism is celebrated on the second Saturday of the Month in Ferrybank at 4.30 pm and on the third Saturday of the month in Slieverue at 5 pm. Occasionally there may be a change to these dates or times because of other celebrations such as Christmas & Easter, First Communion dates etc.

Ferrybank and Slieverue Parishes reserve the right to change the date or time of the celebration of Baptism. Families will be given adequate notice should this be necessary.

For a full list of dates please see our website

<https://ferrybankslieverueparishes.ie/sacraments/baptism/>

Parents requesting Baptism for their children will be required to attend a pre Baptism Course on the first Tuesday of every month. This may be held in person or online.

Weekly Church Collections

8th & 9th January 2022

Ferrybank

Envelopes €1052/Offertory €383

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!

Slieverue - Ministers of the Eucharist

22nd & 23rd Jan. 2022

Sat. Vigil Mass 6pm – Deirdre Coste Ilo

Sun. 10.30am - Mary Walsh

Ferrybank - Ministers of the Word

Saturday 22nd January 7.00pm Bríd Mallon

Sunday 23rd January 9.30am Cléir Tierney

Sunday 23rd January 11.30am Moira Meaney

Ferrybank - Ministers of the Eucharist

January 2022

Saturday Vigil 7.00pm Eileen Long & Br. Joe Killoran

Sunday 9.30am Ann Gleeson & Bessie Doherty

Sunday 11.30am Claire Devine & Paul Lyons

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

Slieverue Pastoral Council

Padraig Byrne, Maria Condon, Keira Doyle, Jerry Forrest, Sile

Grant, Breda Lynch (Chairperson), Tom O' Dwyer, Kieran

O'hea, Martin Quilty (Secretary), Michael Shalloe, Maria

Tobin & Mary Walsh.

Southern Deanery Reps: Keira Doyle & Jerry Forrest

Pastoral Area Reps: Breda Lynch & Sile 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, Kieran O' Shea, Eileen Slattery & Barbara Wells

Southern Deanery Reps: Eileen Slattery & Jacinta Byrne

Pastoral Area Rep: Jacinta Byrne

The Popes Monthly Intentions – January 2022

For true human fraternity: We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognised, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

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). If you or someone you know needs support this Christmas, please call our National Support and Referral Line on 0818 222 024 from 8am – 8pm, seven days a week. ALONE operates 365 days a year so we will be there to take your call when you need us most.

St. Patrick's NS Strangsmills Enrolment

St. Patrick's NS Strangsmills is now taking enrolment applications for the school year 2022/2023. Please apply before February 4th 2022. To request an application form please contact Ger, in the school office on 051- 874474, by email schooloffice@strangsmillsns.ie or <http://www.strangsmillsns.ie/pages/enrolment.php>

Meal On Wheels Delivery Service

Ferrybank & Slieverue



Hot, nutritious meals delivered daily Monday to Friday and cold meals are available for weekends and bank holidays. You can receive meals for a day, a week a month or choose any combination of days that is convenient for you. Please contact Lady Lane House on 051 874056

St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Draw

The January Draw will take place on Wednesday 26th January 2022. The annual prize fund is €60,000 and the subscription is €120 per annum or €10 per month. Draw tickets are available at the Parish Office. Your support is very much appreciated.

Be in to Win!

The Synod Logo - The meaning of the Synod Logo



A large, majestic tree, full of wisdom and light, reaches for the sky. A sign of deep vitality and hope which expresses the cross of Christ. It carries the Eucharist, which shines like the sun. The horizontal branches, opened like hands or wings, suggest, at the same time, the Holy Spirit. The people of God are not static: they are on the move, in direct reference to the etymology of the word synod, which means “walking together”. The people are united by the same common dynamic that this Tree of Life breathes into them, from which they begin their walk. These 15 silhouettes sum up our entire humanity in its diversity of life situations

of generations and origins. This aspect is reinforced by the multiplicity of bright colours which are themselves signs of joy. There is no hierarchy between these people who are all on the same footing: young, old, men, women, teenagers, children, lay people, religious, parents, couples, singles, healthy, disabled; the bishop and the nun are not in front of them, but among them. Quite naturally, children and then adolescents open their walk, in reference to these words of Jesus in the Gospel: “I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned and revealed them to little children”. (Mt 11:25)

The horizontal baseline: “For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission” runs from left to right in the direction of this march, underlining and strengthening it, to end with the title “Synod 2021 –2023”, the high point that synthesizes the whole.

A Prayer for Guidance

Jesus, light of the world. When I am afraid and unsure, comfort me with the light of Your presence.

When loneliness chills me, warm me with the light of Your love.

When the road ahead seems dark, guide me with the light of Your way.

When I don't understand and my thoughts are unclear, fill me with the light of Your wisdom.

When I seem spent like a candle consumed, replenish me with the light of Your life.

Then, so filled with Your light, use me, so that I, with You, may be light for the world.



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