

Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes

Newsletter Sunday 9th January 2022

The Baptism of the Lord

*I baptize you with water,
but one more powerful than I am is coming.
He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. Luke 3:16*

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



Remembering those who have died ...

Recently Deceased

Pat Purcell, Tramore and formerly of Ard Mhuire, Ferrybank
Eamon Meehan, Windgap

Month's Mind

John Fitzgerald, The Orchard, Slieverue (Slieverue – Fri. 10am)

Anniversaries

Rita Larrisey (Slieverue – Sat. 6pm)

Stasia & Pakie Doyle, Carriganurra & Jimmy Murphy, Waterford (Slieverue – Sat. 6pm)

John & Josephine McDonald and their sons Patrick & James (Ferrybank – Sat. 7pm)

Mary & Michael Dooley & Family (Ferrybank – Sat. 7pm)

Niall O'Halloran (1st Anniv.) (Ferrybank – Sun. 9.30am)

Richard (Dick) Phelan (1st Anniv.) (Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Alphonsus Ryan and his son Oisín (Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Breffni Walsh and her Grandparents Brian & Dolly Doyle & Kay Drohan
(Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Hughie O'Neill, Farmlea (Ferrybank - Sun. 11.30am)

Josephine Minogue (Ferrybank – Mon. 10am)

Mary & Jim O'Meara (Ferrybank – Wed. 10am)

John Reid (Ferrybank – Thurs. 10am)

Catherine McGuire, Ballinlaw, Slieverue

Anthony Brophy

Peter Larkin

Milo Cooke

May they rest in peace ...

Traditional Epiphany Announcement of Dates of the main Church Celebrations during 2022

Dear brothers and sisters, the glory of the Lord has shone upon us, and shall ever be manifest among us, until the day of His return. Through the rhythms of times and seasons let us celebrate the mysteries of salvation. Let us recall the year's culmination, the Easter Triduum of the Lord: His Last Supper, His Crucifixion and Death, His Burial, and His Rising, celebrated between the evening of the 14th day of April and the evening of the 16th day of April, Easter Sunday being on the 17th day of April. Each Easter—as on each Sunday—the Holy Church makes present the great and saving deed by which Christ has forever conquered sin and death. From Easter are reckoned all the days we keep holy.

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, will occur on the 2nd day of March.

The Ascension of the Lord will be commemorated on the 29th day of May.

Pentecost, the joyful conclusion of the season of Easter, will be celebrated on the 5th day of June.

And this year the First Sunday of Advent will be on the 27th day of November.

Likewise the pilgrim Church proclaims the Passover of Christ in the feasts of the holy Mother of God, in the feasts of the Apostles and Saints, and in the commemoration of the faithful departed.

To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise, for ever and ever. Amen

Today's Readings

Is 40:1-5,9-11

Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-39, R/v1

Titus 2:11-1;15-16,21-22, 3:4-7

Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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

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

Ferrybank 24th, 25th & 26th December 2021

Envelopes €874.50/Offertory €848.50

Ferrybank 1st & 2nd January 2022

Envelopes €592.75/Offertory €228.25

Slieverue Christmas 2021

Envelope €1,995.00/Offertory €622.30

Slieverue 1st & 2nd January 2022

Offertory €333.50

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

15th & 16th Jan. 2022

Sat. Vigil Mass 6pm – Maria Tobin

Sun. 10.30am - Patricia Drennan

Ferrybank - Ministers of the Word

Saturday 15th January 7.00pm Bríd Mallon

Sunday 16th January 9.30am Julie Cummins Kelly

Sunday 16th 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

St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration December Draw Results

1st Prize €2000	0621	Matt O'Brien	Rosbercon
2nd Prize €1000	0442	Mary Walshe	Ballyragget
3rd Prize € 500	1323	A L Roberts	Balyraget
4th Prize € 300	1048	Joanne Murphy	Muckalee
5th Prize € 300	1531	Josie Bergin	Lisdowney
6th Prize € 200	1537	A & P Bergin	Lisdowney
7th Prize € 200	0738	Michel Walker	Callan
8th Prize € 100	0592	Bernadette Gray	Aghaboe
9th Prize € 100	0350	Martin Kirwan	Borris in Ossory
10th Prize € 100	1093	Kevin Moore	St. Canice's

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!

Many thanks to all our subscribers for your support. **Be in to Win!**

St. Vincent de Paul Ferrybank

St. Vincent de Paul Society, Ferrybank, once again wish to express their continued appreciation to all for your continued support & generosity during 2021.

We were in a position to support 74 families in the parish over the Christmas period because of this generosity. Many thanks again.

We have decided, however that due to the high level of Covid – 19 and in line with Government advice, not to hold our Church gate collection in January. We hope to be in a position to resume our Collection as soon as possible. Again many thanks and a Happy New Year to all!

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.

Ossory Times

There is still a small amount of the Christmas edition of the Ossory Times - our diocesan magazine - available at the back of the Church if you wish to take one or have a look online at www.ossory.ie

Active Retirement. - "Happy New Year To All"

Our A.G.M. takes place on Wed. January 12th at 1pm. Membership fee for the coming year is due on the same date. Spring Break April 25th: 3 nights at Kenmare Bay Hotel. A deposit of €50 per person and a minimum of 25 people to travel will be required to secure the hotel booking, deposits to be paid on day of A.G.M.

Prayer for Hope after a Hard Year

God, thank you for helping us to make it through this difficult year. Thank you that you've carried us through the uncertainty of deep waters, through the flames of trials, and through the pain of hard losses.

We are constantly aware of how much we need you, your grace, your strength, your power working through even the toughest days.

Help us to keep our focus first on you this season. Please forgive us for giving too much time and attention to other things, for looking to other people before coming to you first.

Help us to reflect again, on what Christmas is really all about.

Thank you that you came to give new life, peace, hope, and joy.

Thank you that your power is made perfect in our weakness.

Help us to remember that the gift of Christ, Emmanuel, is our greatest treasure, not just at Christmas, but for the whole year through.

Fill us with your joy and the peace of your Spirit.

Direct our hearts and minds towards you. Thank you for your reminder that both in seasons of celebration and in seasons of brokenness, you're still with us, for you never leave us. Thank you for your daily powerful Presence in our lives, that we can be assured your heart is towards us, your eyes are over us, and your ears are open to our prayers.

Thank you that you surround us with favour as with a shield, and we are safe in your care. We choose to press in close to you today, and keep you first in our hearts and lives. Without you we would surely fail, but with you, there is great hope.

Thank you for your healing power, thank you for bringing us into this new season up ahead. We look forward to all that You still have in store. In Jesus' name.

Amen

Recently Baptised

We welcome into the Christian

Community ... **Senán Clarke,**

Jacqueline Ward, Abbie Drohan &

Julia Pucko who were baptised recently in

The Church of the Sacred Heart, Ferrybank.

