

Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes

Third Sunday of Lent

20th March 2022

Today's Readings
Ex 3:1-8, 13-15
Ps 102:1-4, 6-8, 11, R/v8.
1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12
Lk 13:1-9

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass Monday to Thursday 10am Mass in Ferrybank Friday 10.00am in Slieverue

Saturday Vigil 6pm Slieverue & 7pm Ferrybank

Sunday 9.30am Ferrybank 10.30am Slieverue 11.30am Ferrybank

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Ferrybank Wednesday morning in Blessed Sacrament Chapel Ferrybank Church 10.30 am - 12 noon

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*



Remembering those who died ...

Recently Deceased

Bernie Dunphy (née Doyle), Ard Mhuire
Joseph (Joe) Mackey, Tullogher

Month's Mind

Patricia Grant (Ferrybank – Sat. 7pm)
Joan (Johanna) O'Neill (née Quinlan)
(Ferrybank – Sun. 9.30am)

Anniversaries

Isabella Black (Slieverue – Sat. 6pm)
Eileen Knox (Slieverue – Sun. 10.30am)
John & Masie Butler, Ballinlaw & Gyles Quay
(Slieverue – Sun. 10.30am)
Nora & John Boden (1st Anniv. for Nora)
(Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)
Richard (Dick) Doherty (Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)
Mary Walsh (Ferrybank - Sun. 11.30am)
Stase Ona Igariene (Ferrybank - Sun. 11.30am)
Margaret Mooney (Ferrybank – Wed. 10am)
Bernard Byrne
Patrick & Nora Kiely
Jimmy Gleeson
Aggie Myers
Maura Burns
May they rest in peace ...



Word of the Week

"Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."'
(From Luke 13:1-9)

To receive a second chance or be given more time is a wonderful gift. Ask anyone who has been behind on their mortgage payments or came through a serious health scare and they will tell you the relief that is felt. The Christian always gives a second chance and a third and a fourth? Why because this is what God does with us - he is full of mercy and compassion. Let us do as God does.

Reflect

Can you think of a time you got a second chance, when you were given more time? Do you still appreciate this gift? Do you give others a second chance?

Pray

Lord you are full of mercy and compassion you never write us off even when we offend again and again. May we always be grateful for your mercy and share it with others. Amen

Act

During these days of Lent think of someone you need to give a second chance or maybe you need to embrace a second chance you have been given.

CAKE SALE FOR UKRAINE

The cake sale organised by Slieverue Pastoral Council was a great success and raised over €3500 - much needed funds for the people of Ukraine. Well done to the Pastoral council for this positive initiative which was synodality and solidarity in action! Thank you to all who donated prizes for the raffle and a BIG THANK YOU to all of you who supported the venture, baking and buying for this worthy cause, coming along on the day and who made it a real community celebration - your generosity is much appreciated!

The suffering continues in Ukraine and in many other places around the world. Let us continue to pray for an end to the evil that is war. The pastoral council will shortly allocate the amount raised and we will keep you informed as to where the money will be used. Thank you all again!

First Confession

Congratulations to Children of Ferrybank Parish who celebrated First Confession last Tuesday evening. May they always know the tender mercy of God and grow to be young people and adults who turn to the Lord always and live their lives being people of forgiveness and mercy towards others.

Trocaire Boxes

Please take a Trocaire Box home with you.



Outdoor Stations of the Cross

Friday evenings 7.00 pm (weather permitting!)

An outdoor set of Stations of the Cross has been erected in the cemetery in Ferrybank & Slieverue. You can pray the stations of the cross any time indoors or outdoors during Lent.

New Eucharistic Ministers and Readers Required

We are currently inviting people to think about becoming Eucharistic Ministers and Ministers of the Word in both our parishes of Ferrybank and Slieverue. If you would like to apply please contact Fr Kieran or the Parish Office.

We are grateful to all our current ministers and of course there is always room for more! We would particularly encourage young people to consider becoming involved in these ministries.

Church Collections

Slieverue 12th & 13th March 2022

Envelopes €444/Offertory €438.90/Lourdes €80/Lenten Alms €30/Holy Places €22.90/Emigrants €25
Ukraine Humanity Fund Cake Sale €3505

Ferrybank 12th & 13th March 2022

Envelopes €684/Offertory €551
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 26th & 27th March 2022

Sat. Vigil Mass 6pm – Peter Dunne
Sun. 10.30am – Declan Power

Ferrybank - Ministers of the Word

Saturday 26th March 7.00pm Bríd Mallon
Sunday 27th March 9.30am Julie Kelly
Sunday 27th March 11.30am Bríd Fetton

Ferrybank - Ministers of the Eucharist March 2022

Saturday Vigil 7.00pm Mary White & Angela O'Brien
Sunday 9.30am Eileen Fitzpatrick & Margaret O'Driscoll
Sunday 11.30am Maria Ronan & Eileen Long

Safeguarding our Children

The National Board for the Safeguarding of Children in the Catholic Church in Ireland (the National Board) will be commencing their review of safeguarding practice in the Diocese of Ossory on March 21st. This review is to assess the safeguarding practice in the Diocese of Ossory against the Catholic Church in Ireland's current standards as detailed in Safeguarding Children - Policy and Standards for the Catholic Church in Ireland 2016. If you ever wish to report a child or vulnerable adult or have a safeguarding concern, please contact any of the below.

DIOCESAN DESIGNATED LIAISON PERSON (DLP)

Ms. Kathleen Sherry 085 802 1633 Email: dlp@ossory.ie

DEPUTY DESIGNATED LIAISON PERSON'S

Ms. Rose Brophy 087 331 4330/ Mr. Cathal Cullen 056 7762448

Garda National Protective Services Bureau

01 6663430/35 1800 555 222

Tusla Child & Family Agency

Kilkenny & Carlow area - 052 617 7302

Laois & Offaly - 044 935 3997 Waterford - 053 9198201

HSE Safeguarding and Protection teams (for Vulnerable Adults)

Carlow, Kilkenny, Waterford, South Tipperary: 056 7784325

Laois, Offaly: 01 6914632

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 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

Synodal Church



For some time now we have been hearing about Pope Francis desire for a synodal church? We remind ourselves again of what this means. It means all of us walking together as a Church guided by the Holy Spirit on the same path.

The logo above explains it well. The church - all the baptised are walking together accompanied by the holy Spirit, in the shadow of the Cross and strengthened by the Eucharist. Without Christ, without prayer, without the Holy Spirit our efforts are futile and we risk becoming a large bureaucracy. The church has a mission to the world it is not to be the most efficient business or entangled with red tape - it is to bring Christ to the world as the way the truth and the life. The Church is a world wide body of people. However it is also local and synodality offers us a way of being church, an opportunity for renewal and new life in our parishes and to reach out beyond our comfort zones to those who may have abandoned the church and faith. As you have heard there is a process going on at the moment. Meetings are being held around the diocese where people are being invited to come along and explore how we can travel the same path together with prayer and trust in the Holy Spirit as our compass. **On Monday 21st March 7.30 pm Slieverue Parish Centre will be the venue for people in our area of Ferrybank, Glenmore, Slieverue, Rosbercon. There will also be an opportunity to gather in Rosbercon on Mon. 28th March 7.30 pm for those who cannot make 21st March.** You are invited to come along and discern how we as sisters and brothers in Christ can embrace our faith in a new and more enthusiastic way and share our own reflections with each other. **Everyone is welcome. You don't have to be a member of any committee or group! We look forward to seeing you all!**

You will see further details about the synod on our parish website. For our online readers you can [click here](#).

First Holy Communion Clothes



I have received a number of donated communion dresses and one suit that have all been cleaned and are like new. I hope to pass them onto families that need them in the community. If you would like one or would like to donate Communion clothes to be passed on please Contact Maria Condon 0871534600

Ringville Mixed National School

Now taking enrolments for September 2022. Please contact Ringville Mixed National School on 051 832 635 or email secretary@ringvillens.ie for further information or enquiries.

St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Draw

The next Draw takes place on Wed. 30th March. 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!*

A Prayer for Immigrants

Blessed are You, Lord Jesus Christ. You crossed every border between Divinity and humanity to make your home with us.

Help us to welcome you in newcomers, migrants and refugees.

Blessed are You, God of all nations. You bless our land richly with goods of creation and with people made in your image.

Help us to be good stewards and peacemakers, who live as your children.

Blessed are You, Holy Spirit.

You work in the hearts of all to bring about harmony and goodwill.

Strengthen us to welcome those from other lands, cultures, religions,

that we may live in human solidarity and in hope.

God of all people, grant us vision to see your presence in our midst, especially in our immigrant sisters and brothers.

Give us courage to open the door to our neighbours and grace to build a society of justice. Amen.

Ferrybank Library Beginners Sewing Machine Classes

Thursday mornings 10-1pm beginning 31st March for 7 weeks

These classes will be led by ETB tutor, Joanne, and you will learn how to use a sewing machine to sew simple items such as cushion covers and toiletry bags etc... Material and machines will be provided in the library.

If you would like to bring your own machine, just let us know when booking. Places are limited to 8, booking essential on 051 897200 / ferrybank@kilkennylibrary.ie