

# Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes

## 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*



## Word of the Week

*'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved  
with pity.'* (From Luke 15:1-3,11-32)

St Luke's story of the prodigal son is one of the most familiar stories from the New Testament. Despite the waywardness of the son the father never forgot about him, never abandoned him - even while he was still along way off his father saw him. The Father never took his eyes off his son even when he had forgotten his father. This is a story that shows us who God really is - no sin is beyond the merciful gaze of the Father.

## Reflect

Are you surprised by the Father's actions by how he treats the wayward son? What did you expect him to do? How do you feel when you see the father's love for his son?

Is this how you see God - as a merciful Father who is moved with pity when he sees his people wander far from him?

## Pray

Lord even when we feel far from you, You remain close to us, you never abandon us or write us off, but long for our return to your merciful embrace. Father may your loving gaze melt our hearts so that we run towards you once again full of trust and hope.

## Act

During these days of Lent let us remember any family members we may have cut off because of bad decisions or mistakes in their lives. Let us replace the cold wind of isolation with the warm gaze of mercy.

## Trocaire Boxes

Please take a Trocaire Box home with you.

## Trócaire Nation Collection for Ukraine

The Trócaire national collection for Ukraine will be held in Ferrybank Parish next weekend 2nd / 3rd April at all Masses. Collection Box will be available inside the door.

## Outdoor Stations of the Cross

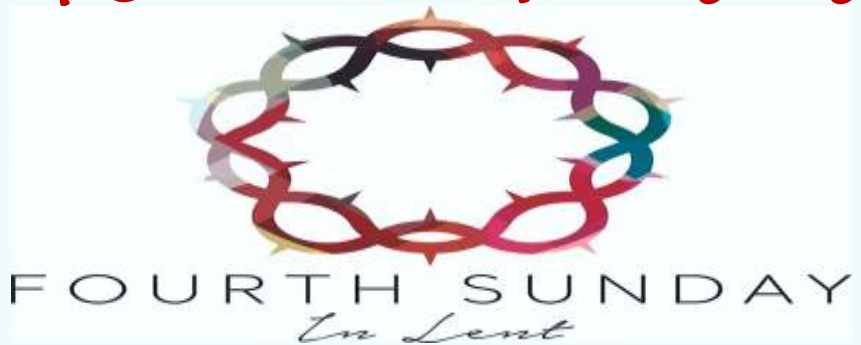


Friday evenings 7.00 pm (weather permitting!)

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.

## Visitation of the Sick and Housebound

Friday next 1<sup>st</sup> April is the First Friday of the month. If you are sick and unable to come to Mass or if you have a family member who would like to receive Holy Communion at home please contact the Parish Office & Fr Kieran will put them on the monthly visitation list. Please remember visitation can only take place following a request from the person themselves or a family member. Please take a leaflet from our churches about our ministry to the sick



27<sup>th</sup> March 2022

## Today's Readings

Jos 5:9-12

Ps 33:2-7, R/v 9.

2 Cor 5:17-21

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



## Remembering those who died

### Recently Deceased

Ann O'Rourke (née Douglas)  
Leamy Street & Havenwood Retirement  
Village and formerly of Sallypark/  
Gracedieu

### Anniversaries

Jeanne Hickey, Dunmore East/Milepost  
(1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) (Slieverue - Sat. 6pm)

Joe Hawe, Armount, Slieverue  
(Slieverue – Sat. 6pm)

Bridie & Eddie Carew (25<sup>th</sup> Anniv. for  
Eddie) and the Carew Family and  
Michael James Kelly  
(Ferrybank – Sat. 7pm)

Sonny Walsh (Ferrybank – Sat. 7pm)

Joe, Rose & John Bollard  
(Ferrybank – Sun. 9.30am)

Nicola Connell, Airmount  
(Slieverue – Sun. 10.30am)

William & Kathleen Farrell, Waterford  
(Slieverue – Sun. 10.30am)

Nell & Andy Fleming  
(Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Cissy, John & Ken Martin  
St. Killian's Place/London  
(Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

Deceased members of the McLoughlin &  
Allen Families and Pat & Minnie  
O'Sullivan) (Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

John Rellis (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.)  
(Ferrybank – Sun. 11.30am)

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

Br. Malachy Sutton  
(Ferrybank – Wed. 10am)

Catherine Dalton  
(Ferrybank – Thurs. 10am)

Declan & Jimmy Grey, Sion Row



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen

## Church Collections

### Slieverue 19th & 20th March 2022

Envelopes €414/Offertory €306.20/St. Patrick's Day Offertory €381.55/Lenten Alms €55/Emigrants €45/Lourdes €25/Holy Places €20 Ukraine Humanity Fund Cake Sale Total €3,635 Ringville School Ukraine Fundraiser €222.35

### Ferrybank 19th & 20th March 2022

Envelopes €545.70/Offertory €397.10

St. Patrick's Day Offertory €382.20

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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022

Sat. Vigil Mass 6pm – Deirdre Costello

Sun. 10.30am – Eileen O'Donovan

### Ferrybank - Ministers of the Word

Saturday 7pm 2<sup>nd</sup> April - Barbara Wells

Sunday 9.30am 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Julie Kelly

Sunday 11.30am 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Bríd Fetton

### Ferrybank - Ministers of the Eucharist April 2022

Saturday Vigil 7.00pm

Eileen Long & Br. Joe Killoran

Sunday 9.30am

Bessie Doherty & Ann Gleeson

Sunday 11.30am

Claire Devine & Paul Lyons

### 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](mailto: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

Laos & Offaly - 044 935 3997

Waterford - 053 9198201

**HSE Safeguarding and Protection teams**

(for Vulnerable Adults) Carlow, Kilkenny, Waterford, South Tipperary: 056 7784325

Laos, Offaly: 01 6914632

### 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 Reps: Keira Doyle & Jerry Forrest  
Pastoral Area Reps: 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, Kieran O' Shea, Eileen Slattery & Barbara Wells  
Southern Deanery Reps: Eileen Slattery & Jacinta Byrne  
Pastoral Area Rep: Jacinta Byrne

## Synodal Church

Pope Francis' desire for a synodal church 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.

Thank you to all who have attended the Synodal path meeting in Slieverue last Monday evening, there will also be an opportunity to gather in Rosbercon for anyone who missed the Slieverue meeting on **Monday next, 28th March 7.30 pm**. This meeting is open to all in our area of Ferrybank, Glenmore, Slieverue and Rosbercon. 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](#).

## 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.

## St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Draw

The next Draw takes place on Wed. 30<sup>th</sup> 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!*

## Accord

Accord is recruiting interested people to assist in the provision of Marriage Preparation Programmes. Application forms are available by contacting [marriagepreparation@accord.ie](mailto:marriagepreparation@accord.ie)

Selections will take place in June of this year with training commencing in September. This year Accord is celebrating 60 years supporting couples and families. Please contact us for any support you may need [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)



## Slieverue GAA Ukrainian Appeal

**Wednesday evening 30<sup>th</sup> March 2022 from 7pm to 8pm in Slieverue GAA Field**

We will be making a collection for the following :-

- Bedding – ie Pillows, Duvet • Floor mats • Sleeping bags • Toiletries & Nappies & Sanitary Wear • PJ's Dressing Gowns, Sleepsuits • Dried & Canned foods is Pastas, Rice's & Beans • They will also accept money for Diesel for the trucks to get there. **Clothes will not be accepted at this collection!**

## St. Vincent de Paul

Monthly Collection will take place next weekend Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April.

Your support as always is very much appreciated!

## Lough Derg Pilgrimages

Lough Derg Pilgrimage season re-opens on 1st May: one day retreats, three day pilgrimages, quiet days. See [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org) for further information.

## Happy Mother's Day



We celebrate Mother's Day this weekend, the fourth Sunday of Lent, the day is devoted to the celebration of Motherhood and the Mother's place at the heart of the family. We thank God for the great blessing of Motherhood. Today we remember, honour and pray for all our Mothers.

**Very Rev. Kieran O'Shea P.P. Tel. 051-830813**

Website [www.ferrybankslieverueparishes.ie](http://www.ferrybankslieverueparishes.ie)

Ferrybank/Slieverue Parish Office Tel. 830813

Mon. -Fri. 10am to 1pm

Ms. Marie Cashin/Ms. Angela O'Brien