

Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes

First Sunday of Lent Newsletter 6th March 2022

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass

Monday to Thursday 10am Mass – Ferrybank

Friday - 10.00am – Slieverue

Saturday Vigil 6pm Slieverue & 7pm Ferrybank

Sunday

9.30am Ferrybank

10.30am Slieverue

11.30am Ferrybank

Eucharistic Adoration - Slieverue

Every Wednesday from 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in

Ferrybank

Wednesday morning in Blessed

Sacrament Chapel Ferrybank Church

10.30 am - 12 noon

Today's Readings

Deut 26:4-10 Ps 90:1-2, 10-15, R/v 15. Rm 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13

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 4:1-13

The temptation in the wilderness



Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says:

He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again:

They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.



Remembering those who died ...

Recently Deceased

Joan Power, Bishopsgrrove, Ferrybank

Mary Connolly, Rocklands, Ferrybank

James (Jim) Purcell, Waterford and formerly of Ard Mhuire

Month's Mind

Mary Byrne Fleming (Slieverue – Sat. 6pm)

Teresa Martin, St. Killian's Place (Ferrybank – Sun. 9.30am)

Anniversaries

Vincent & Nancy Cuddy, Slieverue Village (Slieverue – Sat. 6pm)

John Joe Whelan (Ferrybank – Sat. 7pm)

Robert & Anne Hayden and their son Roy and Mary Ellen Buckley (Ferrybank – Sat. 7pm)

Michael Murphy and deceased members of the Murphy Family, Ballyvalla (Slieverue – Sun. 10.30am)

Peggy, Joe & Dick Haberlin, Ballinlaw (Slieverue – Sun. 10.30am)

May & John Day (Ferrybank – Mon. 10am)

Gerard O'Callaghan Patrick & Anthony O'Dea

Sheila Farrell

Peter Power

Anne Burns

Ann Frisby and her son Thomas Frisby

William Purcell

May they rest in peace ...



Outdoor Stations of the Cross

Friday evenings at 7.00 pm beginning March 11th

An outdoor set of Stations of the Cross will be erected in the cemetery in Ferrybank & Slieverue.

An ideal way to journey with the Lord & all who are suffering for Lent.



Reflect / Pray / Act

(From Luke 4:1-13)

'Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days'

To help us reject Satan and all his empty promises we have been filled with the Holy Spirit at Baptism and Confirmation. Every time we pray, reflect on God's Word, receive the Eucharist, celebrate God's Love and Mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation we are topping up the presence of the Holy Spirit within us. With our lives filled with the Holy Spirit, with God making his home within us, there will be no room for the destructive power of evil to find a space to grow in our hearts or to push us off the right path.

Reflect

What fills your heart? Is it love of God and neighbour? Is it bitterness or fear or selfishness things that do not come from God?

Pray

Open your heart to the Lord. Invite the Lord to do a spring clean in your heart so that the Holy Spirit can reclaim that sacred space within you.

Act

During these days of Lent give more time to prayer - reflect on the Word of God, go to Mass and receive the Eucharist more often, make a decision to go to confession. You will be topping up the presence of the Holy Spirit and like Jesus be better able to resist the attraction of evil.

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.

Trocaire Boxes

Please take a Trocaire Box home with you or you can donate online at www.trocaire.org or By phone: 1850 408 408 (ROI).

This year's theme is "A Better Tomorrow".

Please help this Lent, every cent and euro makes life better for those most in need.



Lenten Stations

The Lenten Stations for the support of the Priests of the Parish are being taken up at this time. Many thanks for your continued support.

Church Collections

Slieverue 26th & 27th February 2022

Envelopes €385/Offertory €398/Lourdes €20/Lenten Alms €110/Holy Places €40/Spec. Needs €40/Emigrants/Online & SO €212

Ferrybank 26th & 27th February 2022

Envelopes €793/Offertory €411/Total Standing Orders Feb. €448 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 12th & 13th March 2022

Sat. Vigil Mass 6pm – Martin Quilty
Sun. 10.30am – Patricia Drennan

Ferrybank - Ministers of the Word

Saturday 12th March 7.00pm Bríd Mallon
Sunday 13th March 9.30am Mary Griffin
Sunday 13th March 11.30am Eileen Slattery

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.

The diocese was last reviewed in 2013 and this report was published on the diocesan website and is still available to view there www.ossory.ie in the safeguarding section.

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 (Diocesan Office)

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

Visitation of the Sick and Housebound

If you are sick and unable to come out 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.

St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Draw

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!**

St. Vincent de Paul

The Ferrybank Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will hold their monthly collection at all Masses this weekend of Saturday and Sunday 5th and 6th March. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Prayer for Synodality

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality
influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the
way of truth
and what is right.
All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.



Slieverue Pastoral Council

Pdraig Byrne, Maria Condon, Keira Doyle, Jerry Forrest, Síle 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 & 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

Pray for Ukraine



Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.
We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom

to guide their choices.
We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.
May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world.
Amen.

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

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