

# FERRYBANK & SLIEVERUE PARISHES

1<sup>st</sup> December 2024

First Sunday of Advent

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## Mass Schedule

### Daily Mass

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

Saturday Vigil 6pm Slieverue and 7pm Ferrybank

Sunday 9.30am Ferrybank 10.30am Slieverue 11.30am Ferrybank


### Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel *Ferrybank Church*  
from 10.30am to 11.30am

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Tuesday in *Slieverue Church* from 7.30pm – 8.30pm  
Every Wednesday in *Slieverue Church* from 2.30pm – 3.30pm  
Every Friday in *Slieverue Church* from 10.30pm – 11.00am

### The Season of Advent

 The season of Advent will be celebrated for the next 24 days beginning this weekend with the lighting of the first candle on our Advent wreath, symbolizing HOPE.

### Ferrybank & Slieverue Parish Christmas Shared Mass Cards



Share the joy of Christ's birth with our Parish Christmas cards. Your recipients will be remembered in our Masses over the Christmas period in both Ferrybank & Slieverue Churches beginning on Christmas Eve. The cards are available from the Parish Office or after weekend Masses in Slieverue Church. The cost of each card is €3.

### Visitation of the Sick and Housebound

Friday next 6<sup>th</sup> December is the First Friday and Fr. Roderick will visit the sick and the housebound in both Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes. If you are already on our monthly visitation list we will be in contact with you during the week to arrange visitation. If you have a family member who is sick or housebound and would like to receive Holy Communion at home please contact the Parish Office. Please remember visitation can only take place following a request from the person themselves or a family member.

### Advent Penitential Services - Celebrating Reconciliation

To prepare our hearts to be ready for Christ and the Christmas season the Sacrament of Confession will be celebrated from 7.00 to 8.00pm on both Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December in Ferrybank Church and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December in Slieverue Church. All are most welcome.

### Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Slieverue

Sincere thanks to all those who have contributed so generously to the Society over the past year. We would like to remind parishioners that envelopes for our Christmas Collection are available in the Church this weekend. We would appreciate if you would take one and return it next weekend when our Christmas Collection will take place. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

### Ferrybank St Vincent de Paul Society

Ferrybank St. Vincent de Paul Society will hold their Christmas Collection next weekend on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December. With your help we hope to support up to sixty families in the parish this Christmas and we ask parishioners to donate whatever they can spare. Many thanks to all for your continued support.



The Church of the Sacred Heart  
Ferrybank



The Church of the Assumption  
Slieverue



Use QR Code to go to our parish website, facebook page & newsletter online



Remembering all our loved ones who have died ...

### Recently Deceased

Mon. 10.00am Vincent Foskin, Abbey Lawn, Ferrybank

William (Bill) Heffernan, Galway City and formerly of Glenmore, Co. Kilkenny.

Sun. 10.30am Molly Hennebry, late of Dublin and formerly of Slieverue

### Anniversaries

Sun. 9.30am Milo Cooke and his son Fintan

Sun. 10.30am Frank Keogh, Gurteens, Slieverue (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)

Sun. 11.30am Ann Knox and Bridget Foran  
Nicholas Walsh

Tues. 10.00am All on our Anniversary Lists

Wed. 10.00am Anne Ryan

Thurs. 10.00am Elizabeth Sinnott

Fri. 10.00am Frank & Alice Hayden and their Grandson Eoghan Brennan

Joseph & Bridget Stephens and their daughters Antoinette & Claire

Michael & Johanna Fielding and their son Edward

Mary & Eamon Breen

Mary & Martin Roche

Joleen, Jimmy & Brian Hetherington

Eileen & Tom McGrath

Chrissie & Kitty Dunphy

**May they rest in peace ...**

### Sanctuary Lamp



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in our Church every hour of every day this week before the Blessed Sacrament in ... **Ferrybank**  
**Special Intention – M.M.**

### Ferrybank Church Christmas Clean-Up!



The Christmas Clean-up in Ferrybank Church takes place on **Thursday evening, 12<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm** and we appeal for volunteers to help out on the night.

## **Christmas Coffee Morning in support of Ferrybank Parish**



**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 10.30am at Hill's Field Community Centre, Belmont Rd., Ferrybank. All are most welcome!**

### **Our Lady of Good Counsel GNS**

Now accepting admission applications for the school year 2025/2026. You can find the Admission Notice and Application Form for 2025/2026 on the school website [www.goodcounselgns.ie](http://www.goodcounselgns.ie) (Policies Tab) or by calling the school office on 051-832984 and one will be sent out to you.

### **Ringville National School, Ballinlaw, Slieverue, Co. Kilkenny.**

Ringville Mixed National School is taking enrolments for September 2025. Please contact Ringville Mixed National School on 051 832 635 or email [secretary@ringvillens.ie](mailto:secretary@ringvillens.ie) for further information or enquiries [www.ringvillens.ie](http://www.ringvillens.ie)

### **Slieverue Simply Singing Group and Church Choir**

Christmas Carol Service in Slieverue Church on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm.

### **Christmas Carol Service in Piltown Church**

Christmas is a time of special music. What a better way to celebrate the birthday of Jesus than to join together and raise our voices in the special songs of Christmas that we know and love so well. We invite you to join us for our journey to Bethlehem in our Christmas Carol Service in Piltown Church at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday 12th December. Those wishing to join in the choir "on-stage" on that evening please call 051 643112 for more information.

### **Slieverue & District Active Retirement Association**

Tuesday 3rd December committee meeting at 11.00am

Wednesday 4th December chair Yoga 11.30am followed by General meeting at 12.50pm in St Mary's parish Hall.

### **South Kilkenny Historical Society *A Night of Reminiscing with Seamus McGrath***

**Friday, 6th December at 7 pm Rhu Glenn Hotel, Slieverue.**

Cost: €25 including food - Bacon and Cabbage or Chicken Supreme, dessert and tea or coffee.

Seamus McGrath, a native of Carrick-on-Suir, derives great pleasure from learning the lore of Carrick-on-Suir and its hinterland, listening to people, and recalling their exploits and stories. Seamus would suggest that he is just "an ordinary man", but behind an unassuming manner is a man of great knowledge and life experience, and his 'story' is worth hearing.

Booking and further information from:

Brigid Barron, Blossom Hill, Kilmacow (087 9507295, [brigidbarron@hotmail.com](mailto:brigidbarron@hotmail.com));

Katherine Grant, Curraghmore, Slieverue (086 1954616, [katherinegrant@gmail.com](mailto:katherinegrant@gmail.com)); or

Mary Ryan, 'Gort Glas', Carrigeen (086 3790655, [maryearyan@gmail.com](mailto:maryearyan@gmail.com)).

### **Anam Cara Online Bereavement Information Evening *Tuesday 3rd December at 7pm***

This Bereavement Information Evening is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age the child died, or the circumstances of their death. Our guest speaker for the evening will be David Tricky. David is a leading Consultant Clinical Psychologist who has specialised in working with traumatised children, young people and their families since 2000.

[Register here for Anam Cara Online Bereavement Information Evening](#) If you have any questions, please contact us on [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or call our information line 085 2888 888

### **Ferrybank Ministers of the Eucharist December 2024**

Saturday 7.00pm Mary White, Imelda Kennedy & Ray Ryan

Sunday 9.30am Eileen Fitzpatrick & Margaret O'Driscoll

Sunday 11.30am Maria Ronan & Paul Lyons

### **Ferrybank Ministers of the Word 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2024**

Sat. 7.00pm Yvette Purdue

Sun. 9.30am Catherine Howard

Sun. 11.30am Mary Keane

### **Slieverue Ministers of the Eucharist 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

Sat. 6.00pm Deirdre Costello

Sun. 10.30m Maria Condon & Harry Condon

### **Slieverue Ministers of the Word 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

Sat. 6.00pm Pádraig Byrne

Sun. 10.30am Susan O'Neill

### **Church Collections 23rd & 24th November 2024**

#### **Ferrybank**

Envelopes €1,106.50/Offertory €797.50/

Retired Priests €1,180.50

#### **Slieverue**

Envelopes €140.00/Offertory €516.15/

Retired Priests €35.00/Ossory Soc. Serv. €10.00

Many thanks to all our parishioners in both Ferrybank & Slieverue parishes who contribute weekly, monthly & yearly and to those who donate online and by Standing Order. Your support is very much appreciated.

#### **Counselling Services Towards Healing Confidential**

Helpline: 1800 303 416 [www.towardshealing.ie](http://www.towardshealing.ie)

Towards Peace Helpline: 01 5053028

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### **Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives**

**Ferrybank - Jerry Hughes & Mary Griffin**

**Slieverue - Mary Kenny & Catherine Manning**

If you, or anyone you know, has a Safeguarding concern please contact: Diocesan Director of Safeguarding and Designated Liaison Person, DLP, Ailish Higgins at 087 802 1633 or Email: [@ossory.ie](mailto:@ossory.ie) An Garda Síochána: 1800 555 222 (or your local Garda Station). TUSLA Waterford 053 9198201/TUSLA: Kilkenny 052 6177302