FERRYBANK & SLIEVERUE PARISHES

8th December 2024 Second 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

Sacramental Preparation Masses

This weekend in Ferrybank we are delighted to welcome the children preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation to our 7.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass and the children preparing to make their First Holy Communion to our Sunday 11.30am. We keep them in our prayers and pray that with God's help their parents and families may truly pass the light of faith on to them.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception



Monday 9th December is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception . Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am in Ferrybank Church.

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.

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^{th} December in Ferrybank Church and Thursday 12^{th} December in Slieverue Church. All are most welcome.

Year of Hope

Pope Francis has dedicated the new liturgical year 2024/2025 as the year of Hope. To initiate the year of Hope in Slieverue we ask you to gather at the main door of the Church on Sunday next 15th December at 10.30am. The doors will be closed and then opened to symbolize the beginning of the year of Hope. As we gather we will say a short prayer.

Christmas Carol Service in Slieverue Church Wednesday 18th December at 7.30 pm .

Join us for an evening of festive carols ranging from the traditional to the unexpected presented by Slieverue church choir and Simply Singing group as well as special guests and children from both parish schools. Let us begin our parish celebration of Christmas.

Commemorating 100 years since the death of Canon Carrigan

Carrigan: Church, Culture, Context St. Kieran's College, Kilkenny on Friday 13th and Saturday 14th December 2024. Attendance Free. For details and registration Tel. 056-772 1086 or email: admin@stkieranscollege.ie.



The Church of the Sacred Heart Ferrybank



The Church of the Assumption Slieverue



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





Remembering all our loved ones who have died ...

Month's Mind

Sat. 7.00pm Jean Carew

Anniversary

Sat. 6.00pm Richard, Alice & Denis Vereker, Ballincrea, Slieverue

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Ned Hartley, Slieverue Village

Sat. 7.00pm Phylis Grant

Oisín Ryan

Sun. 9.30am Edward, Ann, Patrick &

Raymond Freyne

Anna & William Carroll

Rev. Paul, Michael, Jo &

Seán Fitzgerald

Sun. 10.30am Patrick & Maura Doherty &

William & Johanna Hartley,

Ballyvaring

Richard & Aidan Rockett and deceased members of the

Rockett Family

Sun. 11.30am Billy Hearne (Anniv. &

Birthday Remembrance)

John & Annie Grace

Liam O'Connell and his parents Bridget & Frank

O'Connell

Jim Irish

Mon. 10.00am James & Maureen Heery

Tues. 10.00am Bernard Calton

Wed. 10.00am Mary Purcell and her

daughter Mavis and deceased members of the Purcell Family

Thurs. 10.00am Deceased members of the

Walsh & Daly Family

Fri. 10.00am Deceased members of the

O'Donovan Family,

Nicholastown

William Knox, Drumdowney

Myles Forristal

Margaret & John Phelan, Rathpatrick

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

Remembrance Intention - C.R.

Diocese of Ossory Advent 2024 - Preparing Pilgrims of Hope

Towards a Theology of Hope Wednesday 11th December St. Kieran's College 7.00pm

Most Rev. Niall Coll, Bishop of Ossory – an evening exploring the hope our faith brings.

Taizé Prayer – a time of Hope

An evening of Taizé Prayer with the teenagers of our Diocese St. Mary's Cathedral on Friday 13th December at 7.00pm *Advent Godly Play – a journey of Hope*

Ms. Gemma Mulligan and Ms. Marie Tallent – A morning for young people, those attending our primary schools to reflect through Godly Play, the hope filled message of Advent and Christmas.

St. Mary's Cathedral Chapter House on Saturday 14th December at 10.30am

The Bible – a message of Hope

Rev. Dr. Sean Maher, a priest of the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin – an evening exploring the hopefilled message of the Scriptures. St. Kieran's College, Tuesday 17th December at 7.00pm

Evening Retreat – forgiveness our Hope

Very Rev. Ray Dempsey and the City Priests lead a short evening Retreat and an opportunity for reconciliation. St. Patrick's Parish Church, Wednesday 18th December at 7.00pm

A Story of Hope – Diocesan Carol Service

An evening of prayer, reflection, music & song. Join us for our Diocesan Carol Service in St. Mary's Cathedral, Sunday 22nd December at 7.30pm

Christmas Bingo Fundraiser Friday 13" December at 730pm Slieverue Parish Centre



Please come out to support Slieverue Youth Club raise funds to get up and running in the New Year.

*Shop available *Raffle and Spot Prizes * Cash Only Tickets Adult €10 Child:€5

Christmas Coffee Morning in support of Ferrybank Parish



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

Christmas Carol Service in Piltown Church Piltown Church at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday 12th December

We invite you to join us for our journey to Bethlehem in our Christmas Carol . Those wishing to join in the choir "on-stage" on that evening please call 051 643112 for more information.

Slieverue & District Active Retirement Association

Wednesday 11th December chair Yoga at 11.30am followed at 12.50pm by Bingo in St Mary's parish Hall.

Please note we will be closed for Christmas holidays until January 8th 2025 for our general meeting and membership renewals will be due on that day. We would like to thank Jos Holden from Mullinavat Active Retirement for the invite to join them last Saturday at their wreath making workshop, we were made feel very welcome and it was a great morning enjoyed by all.

Win a House

The Waterford GAA Supporters Club is thrilled to announce the launch of the "Win a House in Waterford" fundraiser! This exciting initiative is designed to support vital areas of Waterford GAA, including youth development and infrastructure projects like the enhancement of Walsh Park. Tickets are just €100 each, available through Ferrybank GAA Club committee members. 30% of every ticket sold goes directly back to supporting the Ferrybank GAA club! The grand prize? A stunning new home built by Frisby Homes, located in the highly sought-after Brookfield estate in Kilbarry, Waterford. Alternatively, €335,000 cash prize option available instead!

Ferrybank Church Christmas Clean-Up!



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

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 14th & 15th Dec. 2024

Sat. 7.00pm Bríd Mallon Sun. 9.30am Robert Dunphy Sun. 11.30am Mary Keane

Slieverue Ministers of the Eucharist

14th & **15**th **December 2024**Sat. 6.00pm Keira Doyle

Sun. 10.30m Deirdre Roche & Adam Roche

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Sat. 6.00pm Michael Shalloe Sun. 10.30am Catriona Forristal

Church Collections 30th Nov. & 1* Dec.2024 Ferrybank

Envelopes €704.50/Offertory €627.00/ Retired Priests €20.00 (Total to date €1200.50) Total Standing Orders Nov. €467.00

Slieverue

Envelopes €270.00/Offertory €459.30/

Retired Priests €62.00

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

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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 An Garda Síochána: 1800 555 222 (or your local Garda Station). TUSLA Waterford 053 9198201/TUSLA: Kilkenny 052 6177302