FERRYBANK & SLIEVERUE PARISHES The Word became flesh

5⁺ January 2025

Second Sunday of Christmas

Very Rev. Roderick Whearty P.P. Tel. 086 813 3661

Ferrybank/Slieverue Parish Office Tel. 051-830813 Mon. -Fri. 10am to 1pm Closed on Holy Days & Bank Holidays Ms. Marie Cashin/Ms. Angela O'Brien *email <u>Slieverue@ossory.ie/ferrybank@ossory.ie</u> Website www.ferrybankslieverueparishes.ie*

<u>Mass Schedule</u> <u>Daily Mass</u> 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

<u>Eucharistic Adoration</u> 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



Happy New Year to all parishioners & friends of Ferrybank & Slieverue Parishes and their families.

Fr. Roderíck Whearty P.P. & Fr. Jím Crotty

Feast of The Epiphany 6th January

The twelve days of Christmas end with The Feast of Epiphany also called "The Adoration of the Magi" or "The Manifestation of God." Celebrated on January 6, it is known as the day of the Three Kings (or wise men/magi): Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar.

According to an old legend based on a Bible story, these three kings saw, on the night when Christ was born, a bright star, followed it to Bethlehem and found there the Christ child and presented Him with gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Monday 6th January

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord - Holy Day

Masses as follows :-Slieverue Vigil Sunday 5th January at 7.30pm Ferrybank Monday 6th January at 10.00am

Ferrybank & Slieverue Parish Office

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday next, 6th January 2025 for The Epiphany of the Lord. For any help/assistance you can leave a message on 051-830813.

Thank You

Once again thanks to all who attended our Christmas Masses. It was wonderful to welcome so many locals and visitors alike to our liturgies. Many thanks also to all who participated and helped prepare for and manage our liturgies. We appreciate your help so very much.

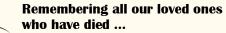
New Year Reflections

"A New Year is unfolding - like a blossom with petals curled tightly, concealing the beauty within." Lord let this year be filled with the things that are truly good - with the comfort and worth of our relationships, with the strength to help those who need our help and the humility and openness to accept help from others. As we make our resolutions for the year ahead, let us go forward with great hope that all things can be possible - with your help and guidance.



John 1: 1-18





Recently Deceased

Yvonne Atkins, Abbeylands, Ferrybank and late of Smartscastle, Kilmacow

Seamus McDonald, Bigwood

Michael Fleming, Bishopsgrove, Ferrybank

Anniversary Pakie Doyle & Stasia Sat. 6.00pm Doyle, Carriganurra & Jimmy Murphy, Waterford Nicholas, Philomena & John Kavanagh, Ballyvalla, Slieverue John & Josephine Sat. 7.00pm McDonald and their sons Patrick & James Mary Roche Mary & Mike Dooley Michael Mooney & Walter Mulcahy Sun. 10.30am Paddy, Annie & Patrick Atkins, Drumdowney, Slieverue Sun. 11.30am Breffni Walsh and her Grandparents Brian & Dolly Doyle and Davey Walsh and Kay Drohan Helena Pawlik & Mieczyslaw Zak and deceased family Members Mary & Matthew Ryan & Family & Mary & Patrick Costello & Family Tue. 10.00am All on our Anniversary Lists Thurs. 10.00am Josephine Minogue

Catherine (Kitty) McGuire, Ballinlaw Hannah Patsy McGavock Peter Larkin **May they rest in peace ...**

Congratulations



Every blessing and good wishes to ... Aidan Murray & Sinead Brannigan who were married recently in the Church

of the Sacred Heart, Ferrybank.



The Church of the Assumption Slieverue

The Church of the Sacred

Heart Ferrybank

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online

Jubilee of Hope 2025



In conjunction with the Jubilee Year 2025, themed Pilgrims of Hope, which officially opened on Christmas Eve with the opening of the Holy Door at Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome, the Catholic Bishops of Ireland have launched an official Jubilee page on catholic bishops.ie. This dedicated page will serve as a central hub for all Jubilee-related updates, ensuring we remain informed about events and activities taking place both in Ireland and around the world. The site offers a comprehensive hub for all things Jubilee - providing downloadable resources, an event calendar for the year to promote and feature activities across Ireland

and Rome, as well as hosting inspiring videos highlighting people and events from across the island. Please check the website and visit it often to be updated about the Jubilee Year. During the year there will be many opportunities to enter into the SPIRIT OF JUBILEE as we reflect on what it means

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Anam Cara

Supporting parents after bereavement, are hosting their first **Online Bereavement Information Evening** of 2025 on **Tuesday 7th of January 2025**. This online talk is for bereaved parents only. Here are the details of this **ONLINE** event **Date**: Tuesday 7th of January 2025 **Time**: 7pm - 8:30pm **Guest Speaker**: Níamh Finucane

St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Draw

Tickets are available in the Parish Office at a cost of $\in 10$ per month or $\in 120$ for the year. Please consider supporting our Diocesan Cathedral. Be *in to Win!*

Slieverue & District Active Retirment Association

We return after our Christmas break on Wednesday 8th January with chair yoga at 11.30am followed by meeting at 12.50pm in St Mary's parish Hall. Please note membership renewal fee ϵ 25 is due on that day.

As always we are looking for new members male and female so why not come and join us and remember we are on the bus route at suitable times.

Would like someone to talk to?

SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year 10am-10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91. Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or for company during their day. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to refer caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. Phone SeniorLine 1800 80 45 91, open every day of the year 10am-10pm

Ferrybank Ministers of the Eucharist January 2025

Saturday 7.00pm Eileen Long & Br. Joe Killoran & Ray Ryan Sunday 9.30am Bessie Doherty & Ann Gleeson Sunday 11.30am Paul Lyons & Angela O'Brien

Ferrybank Ministers of the Word 11th & 12th January 2025

Sat.7.00pmYvette PurdueSun.9.30amRobert DunphySun.11.30amBríd Fetton

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Sat. 6.00pmPeter DunneSun. 10.30mMaria Condon & Harry Condon

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Sat. 6.00pm Jerry Forrest Sun. 10.30am Kay Howard

Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives

Church Collections

Ferrybank Christmas Eve Offertory €1.418.50 Christmas Day Offertory €1.133.00 28/29th Dec. €616.00 Envelopes €865.00/Offertory Total Standing Orders for Dec. €547.00 Slieverue Christmas Eve Offertory €1,181.85 Christmas Day Offertory € 407.70 Envelopes €1,223.00/Offertory 28/29th Dec. €421.75 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

Counselling Services Towards Healing Confidential Helpline: 1800 303 416 <u>www.towardshealing.ie</u> Towards Peace Helpline: 01 5053028 www.towardspeace.ie

Order. Your support is very much appreciated.

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



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