

Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 6th February 2022

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 5th FEBRUARY - 7pm

1. Doreen Spillane (*Months Mind*).

SUNDAY 6th FEBRUARY - 11am

1. John Egan and his parents Kieran & Josie Egan.
2. Brian Hennessy.
3. Sean Egan, Ballyclare.
4. Tommy Kenny, Fadden (*1st A*).

Mon. 7th: 10am - People's Mass.

Tues. 8th: 10am

Wed. 9th: 10am

Thurs. 10th: 10am

Fri. 11th: 10am

Sat. 12th: 10am - 1. Lucy Brazil (1st A).

2. Michael Brazil (2nd A).

SATURDAY 12th FEBRUARY - 7pm

1. Noleen Mooney (*1st A*).
2. Francis Harrington (*1st A*).

SUNDAY 13th FEBRUARY - 11am

1. James Dee.

SS. PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH ST.

SUNDAY 6th FEBRUARY - 12 noon

1. Shane Ryan (*17th A*).
2. Oliver & Kate Daly and their daughter Marcella Flanagan.

SUNDAY 13th FEBRUARY - 12 noon

1. Mary Kenny.
2. John & Mary Connaughton and Josie Kinnarney.
3. Tom & Kathleen Higgins, formerly Corner House, Ferbane.

ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 6th FEBRUARY - 9.30am

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MASSES - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5FM Parish Radio. All our weekday and weekend Masses can now be viewed on our livestream link www.ferbaneparish.ie. Parish bulletin is available on www.ferbaneparish.ie.

COLLECTIONS - We would sincerely like to thank those who so kindly continue to contribute to our collection every week. If anybody wants to offer financial support by electronic transfer our bank details are as follows: **BIC:** ULSB IE 2D.

IBAN: IE28 ULSB 9857 2021 5400 50.

Weekly collection including shrine €1,745. Due to the introduction of the Government levy of 23% VAT on the shrine candles since 1st January 2022 we had to increase the donation per candle to 50cent to cover cost of candles.

DATES - *Monday 7th February:* Feast of St. Mel (Patron Saint of our Diocese).

Friday 11th February: Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes (World Day of the Sick).

DEATHS - Please pray for the repose of the souls of Nellie Guinan, Ballylin; Josie Doorley, Noggus (who died in London); Ray Buckley, Turraun, Pullough (brother of Stasia Dempsey) and Moll Lynch, Heathfield, Pullough (mother of Marian McLoughlin, Lisdermott). May they rest in peace.

BAPTISMS - We welcome into our Christian Community Emily Kenny and Evie Mooney who were baptised recently.

PRAYER FOR PEACE - We continue to pray for peace in Europe in response to the request of Pope Francis.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD - Bishop Alphonsus Cullinan has suggested that we might pause at 4pm each day during 2022 and say a short prayer for

vocations to the priesthood (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be).

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - Confidential FREEPHONE number 087 9272877.

MIDLANDS SIMON COMMUNITY - Are holding their Annual Church Gate Collection at all churches throughout Co. Offaly this weekend, Sat. 5th and Sun. 6th of February. Please support.

PIONEER ASSOCIATION - The magazine has now come to an end and will be replaced by a newsletter. Many thanks to all who subscribed to the magazine. **Special day of prayer for pioneers this Sunday, February 6th.**

GALLEN UNITED - *Lotto Draw (Prize fund €11,700 = Jackpot €1,700; Star Prize €10,000).* Winning numbers in last week's draw 2, 9, 11, 23. Bonus 3. No jackpot winner. Seven match 3 winners. Next draw on Tuesday 8th February.

FERBANE G.A.A. - *Lotto:* Winning numbers in last week's draw 14, 20, 23, 27. Bonus 31. No jackpot winner. Two match three winners. Next week's jackpot is €9,200. Next draw on Tuesday 8th February at 10pm.

MENPOWER - Are you interested in expanding your horizons? Do you want to build your mental and physical health, set goals and develop a life plan? Then join us for the new MenPower Programme beginning Wednesday 9th February, two days per week for 12 weeks. Participation on this programme is FREE and will not affect social welfare benefits. For more info. contact Aoife on 087-7385989 or email akelly@offalyldc.ie.

NAOMH CIARÁN CLOTHES COLLECTION On Saturday 12th February at Ferbane GAA pitch between 10am and 1pm. All clothes and bedlinen (no duvets or pillows), women's bags, belts, paired

shoes and soft toys. See Naomh Ciarán's Facebook page for more information.

NEW CONSTRUCTION STUDIES PROGRAMME Commencing at Banagher FET Centre on Mon. 14th Feb. **Modules include:** Renewable Energy Systems, Concreting, Floor and Wall Tiling, MIG Welding and NZEB Awareness, Thermal Insulation Installation and Safe Pass Training. A training allowance is payable where applicable. For details contact: (M) 085 8016195 or 085 8051912.

GETTING CITIZENS ONLINE - FREE Beginners Computer/Laptop Classes. Would you like to learn how to use your computer/laptop. *Covering topics on:* Microsoft Word, Internet Safety & Security, Email, online shopping, Video, TV & Radio, online Government services and much more. The course is delivered online over 5 sessions, 1.5 hours in duration and delivered in the evening. Contact Karen on 087 9840177.

FERBANE SCOUTS - Now taking registration for calendar year 2022. Cubs scouts age 8-11. Limited places available. Contact Liam 086 0785414 or email ferbanescouts@gmail.com

PULLOUGH N.S. - Is **ENROLLING for the month of Feb.** Forms will be left into playschools or can be requested from the school on 057 9355642 or from the website pulloughns.weebly.com.

THANK YOU - Marion Gilligan and family wish to thank sincerely all who sympathised with them on RIP, text, phone, Mass cards and attended the funeral of their beloved mother Mary Teresa Connolly.

PARISH OFFICE - Open on Wednesday from 9am - 1pm and 2pm - 5pm. **Bulletin notices to be in by 3pm Wednesday.** Tel: 090 6454309 or Email: parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

'Push out into the deep water'

It is said that, when the early Irish monks set out to preach the Gospel in new territories, they never used sails on their boats. They trusted that the Holy Spirit would guide them to wherever they were meant to go. In other words they took risks for the faith, and the fruits of their labours speak for themselves. They must have been inspired by the words of Jesus in today's Gospel when He instructs His disciples to cast their nets into 'deep water'. It was a hard call. Here was the son of a carpenter instructing expert fishermen on how to fish, but they obeyed and they were rewarded with an abundant catch. His call goes out anew to every generation. We, like those early disciples, must go to unlikely places; reach out to unlikely people; persevere in unpromising situations; sing His song on alien soil. The rest is in His hands. With great risk often comes great rewards. As legendary American Football coach Vince Lombardi once said: 'The man on top of the mountain did not fall there'.