

# Ferbane Parish Bulletin

Sunday 21st April 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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## CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, FERBANE

SATURDAY 20th APRIL - 7pm

1. Dan Foley (*1st A*).
2. Kieran & Ciss Flynn.
3. Pdraig Foley, his parents Tess and Patrick and Willie Hctor and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 21st APRIL - 11am

1. Tommy Moore (*Months Mind*).
2. Paddy Boland, Kilcolgan and deceased members of the Egan and O'Rourke families.

*Mon. 22nd: 10am*

*Tues. 23rd: 10am - People's Mass.*

*Wed. 24th: 10am*

*Thurs. 25th: 10am*

*Fri. 26th: 10am*

*Sat. 27th: 10am*

SATURDAY 27th APRIL - 7pm

1. Margaret Meacle (*Months Mind*).
2. Kevin and Stephen Heffernan
3. J.J. Mooney (*3rd A*).

SUNDAY 28th APRIL - 11am

1. Mary Coughlan (*1st A*).
2. Bernard Minnock.

## PATRICK & SARAN, HIGH STREET

SUNDAY 21st APRIL - 12 noon

1. Paddy Kelly (*Months Mind*).
2. Christina Kelly & dec'd family members.
3. Egan and Sote families.

SUNDAY 28th APRIL - 12 noon

1. Anne Camon (*Months Mind*).  
Jim and Ellen Fox, their daughters baby Avril and Eunice and their grandson Raymond.
2. Agnes and Joe Butler and their sons  
Kieran and Tommy.

## ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT, BOORA

SUNDAY 21st APRIL - 9.30am

1. Sarah & Joseph Dooley and deceased family members.

SUNDAY 28th APRIL - 9.30am

**MASSES** - All ceremonies can be heard on 106.5FM Parish Radio. Parish bulletin is available on www.ferbaneparish.ie.

**COLLECTIONS** - April 14th:  
Offerory/Shrine €2,560. Bank Account details - IBAN: IE39 BOFI 9016 3475 9072 05. Thank you.

**PARISH OFFICE** - Open every Wednesday from 9am-1pm and 2-5pm. Tel: 090 6454309 or email parishoffice@ferbaneparish.ie.

**SVP** - Confidential phone line 087 9272877.

**BAPTISM** - We welcome into our Christian community Odhran Sheridan Troy.

**DEATHS** - We pray for the repose of the souls of Elizabeth Loftus, Ballyvora Grove, Ferbane and Ollie Daly, Gallen View, Ferbane. Rest in peace.

**GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY** - Sunday 21st April, World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE COLLECTION**  
Takes place this weekend Sat. 20th / Sun. 21st in our Parish. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**HIGH STREET / BELMONT WOMEN'S GROUP** - *Mon. 22nd April*: Light and fun exercise with Denise Coghil in High Street Commuity Centre at 8pm. All welcome.

**GALLEN UNITED** - *Lotto Draw* (Prize fund €8,800; Jackpot €2,700; Star Prize €6,100). Winning numbers were 7, 14, 21, 26. Bonus 16. No jackpot winner. Four match three winners. Next draw on Monday 22nd April.

**FERBANE GAA** - *Lotto*: Winning numbers in last week's draw 8, 20, 25, 27. Bonus 32. No jackpot winner or match 3 winner. 5 lucky dip winners of €40. Next week's jackpot is €15,200. Draw on Tuesday 23rd April.

**RASHINA N.S.** - Will hold a Clothes Collection on Wed. 24th April. Please drop clothes on Tuesday 23rd April from 9am - 2.40pm or on Wednesday up to 11am. Your support would be much appreciated.  
**BELMONT GAA** - Our bingo continues every week in association with our new club sponsor CMG (Claims Management Group). Congratulations to last week's winners. Books available in Cahill's until 9pm every Tuesday and online until 2pm Wednesday. Thank you.

**COFFEE MORNING** - Continues on Wednesday 24th April in the Bridge Hall, Ballycumber Road at 10.30am. Bus service as usual. All are welcome.

**FERBANE BRIDGE CLUB** - Continues on Wednesday 24th April at 7.30pm. All welcome.

**OFFALY BRANCH IRISH KIDNEY ASSOCIATION** - A meeting of the Offaly branch of the Irish Kidney Association will be held in the Charleville Community Centre, Church Road, Tullamore on Thursday 25th April at 7.45pm. The IKA provides support to kidney patients and their families. All welcome. For more information see www.ika.ie or call Marjorie (secretary Offaly IKA) on 085 8668710.

**PROGRESSIVE 25** - Cards every Friday night in Ferbane Heritage Centre at 9pm. All welcome, especially more ladies!

**KILREHAN CEMETERY** - First clean, cut, strim of the year is on Wednesday 1st May, 7pm. Volunteers are really needed and if you can help, please join us to keep this sacred place beautiful.

**THE YOUTH 2000 CONNAUGHT RETREAT**  
In Calasactius College, Oranmore, Co. Galway on the weekend of May 10th to 12th, consisting of workshops, talks, testimonies, music, prayer and time to relax and meet with others. Donation only, 16-35 years. To book or for more info. visit www.youth2000.ie or email connaught@youth2000.ie.

**FERBANE BELMONT CE** - We currently have vacancies on our scheme for three Groundspersons/ Caretakers, three General Operatives and one Caretaker Cleaner. Successful applicants will continue with all existing benefits with a scheme top up. All successful participants can also avail of training and upskilling. Call 090 6454068.

**LOST** - Sunglasses in the Ferbane area. Please contact 086 8370397 if found.

## 4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

### VOCATIONS SUNDAY

Eucharist and priesthood were born in the Upper Room in Jerusalem on Holy Thursday night. The two gifts are inextricably linked. Without priests we are deprived of the nourishment of the Eucharist. This fact should give us pause for thought on Vocations Sunday. Vocation to priesthood is a gift from God, but grows and is nurtured within family and community. Without support, encouragement and even invitation, the call will wither and die. 'It takes a village to raise a child', according to the African proverb. We might well say that it takes a community to make a priest. The eternally challenging words of Pope St. Paul VI come to mind here: 'Every generation gets the vocations it deserves'. This day, of course, has a wider reach. It is a day for all the baptised. The mission of the Church is the mission of all. When someone utters the words, 'I am on a mission', you know that he/she is embarked on a task that is important and urgent. The mission of all in the Church family is nothing less than making the Lord's word heard and His face visible. There is no more privileged, more important or more urgent work than that. Since lay people form the majority of the Church family, their role in this work is critical. They accomplish this work most effectively through the general witness of their daily lives. Holiness in the family and in the workplace takes on a very ordinary appearance. Laity, not clergy, are the most important people in the Church. They hold the key to the future. The ministry of priests and religious will be centred on supporting the mission of the laity.