

# Ferrybank Parish Bulletin

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*We remember in our prayers those who died about a Month ago ...*

**James Irish**

(Month's Mind Mass to be celebrated on Saturday next 13th January at 10am).

*And those whose Anniversaries occur around this time ...*

**Tom Morrissey (1st Anniv.)**

**Josephine & John McDonald and their sons Jim & Paddy**

**Maureen Culleton & Family**

**Bridget O'Keeffe**

**Kevin & Mary Freeman**

**Patsy McGavock**

**Robert, Anastasia & Daniel**

**Lanigan**

**Michael & Kathleen O'Keeffe**

**Josephine Minogue**

**Margaret, Daniel, Mai, John & Debbie Daly**

**John Reid**

**Robert Hayden**

**Peter Larkin**

**Kevin & Mary Freeman**

**Brendan Hughes**

*May they rest in peace ...*

## Ossory Times

### Ossory Adult Faith Development

Pick up a copy of our latest Newsletter helping to share and celebrate much of what is happening in our diocese. On sale in the Parish Office and costs €2.

*Fr. Crotty and Fr. Dempsey would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year with many blessings on you and your families.*

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## Ossory welcomes New Bishop

His Holiness Pope Francis has appointed Monsignor Dermot Pius Farrell, Parish Priest of Dunboyne & Kilbride in the Diocese of Meath, as the new Bishop of Ossory.

### Monsignor Dermot Farrell

22 November 1954 Born, Castletown-Geoghegan Parish, Co Westmeath.

Baptised Dermot Pius a few days later in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar.

1959 – 1967 Primary Schools in Castletown-Geoghegan and Streamstown.

1967 – 1972 Post-Primary Education at Saint Finian's College (Diocesan Boarding School), Mullingar.

1972 – 1976 Bachelor of Science Degree at Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth.

1976 – 1979 Bachelor of Divinity Degree at Maynooth.

1979 – 1981 Licence in Theology Degree at Maynooth.

7 June 1980 Ordained priest for Diocese of Meath.

1981 – 1985 Curate, Cathedral Parish, Mullingar.

1985 – 1988 Doctorate Studies at Gregorian University, Rome.

Title of thesis: *The Dogmatic Foundations of Bernard Haring's Thought on Christian Morality* – Director: Dr Philip Rosato S.I.

1987 Director of Formation in Irish College, Rome.

1989 – 1990 Curate in Tullamore Parish and lecturer in Moral Theology at Maynooth.

1990 Appointed Executive Assistant to the President in Maynooth, continuing to lecture in Moral Theology.

1993 Appointed Vice-President of Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth.

1996 – 2007 President of Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth.

6 June 1997 Honorary Prelate of His Holiness.

2007 – presently Parish Priest of Dunboyne.

2009 Vicar General to the Diocese of Meath.

Bishop Farrell said that he was very grateful for the warm welcome he received and said he was looking forward to working closely with the people of Ossory over the coming years.

## The Religious Sisters of Charity,

### St. Patrick's,

The Religious Sisters of Charity, St. Patrick's, Kells Road, Kilkenny, will leave the Diocese of Ossory in the coming weeks.

In gratitude for their ministry in our diocese, Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018

at 11.30 a.m. in St. Joseph's Church, Foulkstown, Co. Kilkenny. All are welcome.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

The Little Sisters of the Poor will have

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## The Baptism of the Lord

The feast of the Baptism of Jesus is about our Baptism. Those of us who follow Christ receive baptism, but baptism into Christ.

**O God, we became your children at our Baptism. Help us to know your love so that we can share it freely with others. Amen.**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Sunday, January 7th, beginning at 3pm and concluding with Evening Prayer & Benediction at 5.30pm in their Chapel. All are most welcome!

## Parish Contributions by Direct Debit

Anyone who wishes to make their contribution to the Church by direct debit are welcome to do so. Forms are now available in the Parish Office and you can either collect one there or ring Angela on 051-830813 and a form will be forwarded to you.

## Visiting the Sick

If you or someone you know is house-bound and would like a visit from one of the Priests of the parish, please let us know.

## Slieverue & District A.R.A.

AGM on Wednesday 10th January. Please bring your annual membership of €21 in an envelope with your name. We have an exciting programme of events planned for 2018!

Holiday to Great National Hotel in Ballina on April 15th. Deposit of €50 required to book a place.

## Lost/Found

A small Yorkshire Terrier has been found in the Ferrybank area and the finder would very much like to reunite this little dog with his/her owner. For more information please contact the Parish Office on 051-830813.

**“Christian... Never forget that you have been rescued from the power of darkness and brought into the light of the Kingdom of God.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1691)**