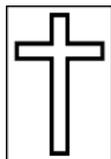


Ferrybank Parish Bulletin

The Baptism of the Lord

13th January, 2019.



Remembering in our Masses this week ...

Recently Deceased

**Betty Cooper (née O'Neill),
Morrison's Road.**

Anniversaries

Paul Kennedy (Sat. 7.30pm)

Michael Taylor (Sun. 10am)

**Kevin & Mary Freeman
(Sun. 10am)**

John Reid (Sun. 11.30am)

**Alphonsus Ryan
(Sun. 11.30am)**

Rose Sherwood (Mon. 10am)

Dan O'Neill (Tue. 10am)

**Ellen (Nellie) Murphy
(Wed. 10am)**

Evelyn Hearn (Thurs. 10am)

**Patrick & Peggy Kennedy
(Fri. 10am)**

Doris Byrne

Peter Ryan

Patrick Condon

May they rest in peace ...

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The Baptism of the Lord

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.

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 7.30pm

Sunday: 10am & 11.30am

Daily Mass: Mon. to Fri. 10am

Sacrament of Confession is available each Saturday after the 7.30pm Mass.

Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the first & third Saturday of every month at 4pm.

'Thank You'

This weekend as we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we bid farewell to Christmas! As the Tree and the Crib are put away for another year let us hope and pray that the spirit of faith, kindness & love that we have shared will not be put away with them.

Now that life has returned to normal (if life ever returns to normal!) we begin to look forward to 2019 and what this year will bring. 2018 was a year of many changes in our parish community. Fr Jim retired as parish Priest after many years of service and we are delighted that he continues to reside among us and still join us for Mass and other celebrations. Fr Ray moved on to be parish Priest of Inistioge and we continue to pray God's blessing on him in his new ministry. Fr Liam continues to assist us at weekends and for his help we are all grateful. The past year saw changes to our parish schedule which had to be fast tracked because our neighbours in Slieverue were left without a resident priest. I want to sincerely thank you all for your cooperation and support during these changes. These are times of change as we the Church community come to terms with different needs and situations.

The beginning of a new year is also an opportunity to give thanks for the many people who contribute to the life of our parish in so many ways. I wish to say a sincere word of thanks to all who came together to make Christmas in Ferrybank a truly joyful celebration of the Lord's birth. Of course that cooperation is to be seen in action during the rest of the year too.

Thank you to all the following: to our parish secretary for all her work and commitment, to members of the Pastoral Council & our Safeguarding group, our Ministers of the Word and Eucharist, our Baptism team and those who coordinate the various ministry ...

rotas. Those who bring communion to the sick, the St Vincent de Paul Society. To our Finance Committee and those who act as Collectors & distribute envelopes during the year. To those who look after our Church in any way, those who decorate the altars with flowers and also all our cleaners. To all involved in maintenance & care of church property including our Cemetery & Parish Centre. Thank you to the Catering / Hospitality / Coffee morning group who provide refreshments at parish celebrations & organise various events for charity. To our Sacristan & to our Altar Servers (and their parents) too! Thanks also to the Principals and Teachers of our schools, the Boards of Management & Parents Associations. To our parish Choirs & Musicians a sincere thank you.

Finally, and certainly not least, a big thank you to each and every one of you our parishioners for your faithfulness and to all who contribute financially to the upkeep of the parish during the year. As we begin 2019 we pray God's blessing on you and your families. May it be a year of peace and health for all as we look forward to more adventures together!

Fr. Kieran



St Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund

The eleventh Draw of the St Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund will take place on Wednesday, Jan. 30th, in the Cathedral's Chapter Room at 8.00 p.m. If you wish to accept the invitation to be a member/subscriber in the fundraiser, you're most welcome to join at the Ferrybank Parish Office.

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.

St. Vincent de Paul

The Ferrybank Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul wish to thank everyone in Ferrybank who contributed so generously to their appeal this Christmas. Your generosity enabled us to assist over 74 needy families in the Parish. Wishing you and your families a New Year!

Safeguarding Our Children

If you have a safeguarding concern contact the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:- **Mr. Cathal Cullen on 087-100 0232.** The Parish Safeguarding Representatives are:- **Breda Freyne & Gerry Hughes**

Weekly Church Collections

Offertory Collection € 800

Envelope Collection € 835

Many thanks to all who contribute weekly, monthly and annually, as well as those who pay by Standing Order. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Ferrybank's

SPLIT THE POT

Results Week 2

3rd Prize €20 - Aidan Wall

2nd Prize €30 - Eamonn Walsh 1st

Prize €62 - Lorraine Felton

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Ferrybank Community

Development Residents Group

Ferrybank & District A.R.A.

Our first meeting of 2019 will take place on Wednesday 6th February, 2019 at 1pm in Ferryfun. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Ferrybank G.A.A. News

This coming Friday January 18th at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre will see the Annual General Meeting of Ferrybank GAA club. We would ask all members, supporters and players to come along and reflect on the last 12 months of the club. Also, this AGM is also open to the public, and if you are interested in getting involved with the club for the year, no matter how big or small you can contribute, or have any ideas in improving the club, please come along, and we would be delighted to have you on board.

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