

# Ferrybank Parish Bulletin

**3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2016.**

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

**The Pope's Intentions**

**January 2016**

**Universal: Interreligious Dialogue** -That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

**Evangelisation**: Christian Unity - That, by means of dialogue and fraternal charity and with the grace of the Holy Spirit, Christians may overcome divisions.

**Christmas Collection**

Fr. Crotty & Fr. Dempsey would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Christmas collection for the support of the priests of the parish. If you misplaced your envelope you can use any envelope, put your name and address on it and place in the Collection Box at the end of the church.

Many thanks again.

**The Feast of the Epiphany**

*Wednesday - 6th January 2015*

*Holy Day of Obligation*

The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah, Son of God and Saviour of the World. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East. We celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany **with Vigil Mass on Tuesday 5th January at 7.30pm and on Wednesday 6th January at 10am and 11am**

**What are [Holy Days of Obligation](#)?**

**Holy Days of Obligation** are major feasts of the Church's year on which – in addition to Sundays – Catholics are obliged to attend Mass. They are also to abstain from such work or business that would inhibit the worship to be given to God, the joy proper to the Lord's Day, or the due relaxation of mind and body (*Code of Canon Law 1247*).

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

The Little Sisters of the Poor will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Sunday, January 3rd, beginning at 3pm and concluding with Evening Prayer & Benediction at 5.30pm in their Chapel. All are most welcome!

### **Where Word meets Life**

*Mary,  
With what sureness you choose  
silence waiting on God's Word  
in heart's stillness pondering.  
Lead us into that silence where  
Word meets life,  
Pondering the mystery of  
God-with-us  
Emmanuel.*

### **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.

### **Knock**

#### **Marriage Introductions Bureau**

The aim of the Bureau is to introduce people considering marriage to a suitable marriage partner. Over 800 marriages have taken place as a result

of these introductions. If you are searching for a suitable partner, why not consider applying?

For further information contact the Bureau at Knock, Co. Mayo. Phone 094 9375960 or visit our website at [www.knockmarriagebureau.com](http://www.knockmarriagebureau.com) and read about the working of the Bureau.

### **Priority Guidelines in Booking Masses for Deceased Persons**

#### **1. FUNERAL MASSES**

**Funeral Masses take precedence over all other Mass bookings.**

#### **MONTH'S MIND MASSES**

#### **FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASSES**

The Saturday Mass at 10am and the Sunday at 12 o'clock will be reserved for Funerals, Months Minds and First Anniversaries. Due to the number of requests for Anniversary Masses it would be helpful if families chose one Anniversary date for all the deceased family members, especially with the passing of a number of years.