

Ferrybank Parish Newsletter

The Pope's Intentions - February 2017

Comfort for the Afflicted: That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees and the marginalised, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.

Wednesday - February 1st

Feast of St. Brigid, (Naomh Brid) *Secondary Patron of Ireland.*

Born c. 454 and was renowned during her life for her hospitality, almsgiving and care of the sick. She founded a monastery in Kildare and died in 524. There is widespread devotion to St. Brigid in Ireland and in many countries in Europe.

Consecrated Life

Thursday Feb. 2nd, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, is the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life. On this day the Church thanks God for the gift of the different forms of consecrated life, and prays for an increase in vocations to the consecrated life.

Candlemas Day - 2nd February

This is traditionally the day when candles are blessed that will be used in the liturgical celebrations during the coming year.

St. Blaise

The Feast of St. Blaise will be celebrated on Friday, 3rd Feb. Traditionally through the intercession of St. Blaise we ask God's protection on us throughout the year. There will be two Masses on Friday - **10am and 7.30pm**. The Blessing of the Throats will take place before and after each Mass.

St. Vincent de Paul

The monthly collection for the St. Vincent de Paul will take place **next weekend Sat. & Sun. 4th & 5th Feb., 2017**. As always your support is greatly appreciated !

Anointing of the Sick

The anointing of the sick will take place on Saturday, **11th February**, at the 10am Mass, the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Catholic Schools Week 2016

Catholic Schools Week 2017 will take place from Sunday, January 29th to Saturday February 4th. The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2017 is 'Catholic schools: Learning with Pope Francis to care for our common home'.

Catholic Schools Week is an all-Ireland annual event which invites Catholic schools to give expression in a special way to the ethos of Catholic education. To celebrate this week the staff and girls from Our Lady of Good Counsel School have prepared a **Prayer Service which will take place at 11.45am in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Ferrybank on Friday 3rd February, 2017, The Feast of St. Blaise**. Please come along and attend to pray with and for our pupils and teachers and to celebrate the gift of our Catholic Faith. All are welcome.

South Kilkenny Historical Society Lecture

The Battle of the Somme

Speaker: Mr Jack Burtchaell

8pm, Thursday, February 2nd

Mullinavat Parish Hall (opposite church).

Membership of South Kilkenny Historical Society, which is open to all, costs €20 per annum. Membership entitles free admission to all lectures in the year (usually 7) and discounts for other society events.

Annual Quiz Night - Parents Association

Our Lady of Good Counsel G.N.S.

We are holding our annual Quiz Night on Friday 10th February, 2017 at 9pm in Flynn's Bar, Ferrybank. Entry for Table X 4 is €20 and there will be a raffle with lots of Spot Prizes on the night. This night promises to be a great night so come a long!

Slieverue & District A.R.A.

Spring holiday to Yeats Country Hotel, Rosses Point, Sligo takes place on Mon. April 24th to 27th. Cost:3 BB & 3 D's €169 pps. Single supplement €30 in total. If you wish to travel please bring a deposit of €50 to the monthly meeting on Wed. Feb. 1st. As usual please have it in an envelope with your name.

The Musical, " Singing in the Rain" in New Ross is on Thurs. March 9th. Cost €13.50 (to be paid at March 1st monthly meeting). Show will be preceded by an early bird in Rhu Glen at 5.30pm @ €22 pp. Coach times to be published later.

Ferrybank's SPLIT THE POT

Results Week 4

3rd Prize €25 - Tara Lannon

2nd Prize €50 - Tracy Cummins

1st Prize €140 Gary Keogh

Organised by Ferrybank Community Development Residents Group
