

# Ferrybank Parish Newsletter

**8th January, 2017. The Baptism of the Lord.**

## **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.

## **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 housebound and would like a visit from one of the Priests of the parish, please let us know.

## **World Day of Migrants and Refugees - Sunday 15th January, 2017.**

Migrants leave their homes in search of a better life and face the difficult experience of migration in its various forms.

The theme chosen by Pope Francis for the upcoming Word Day of Migrants and Refugees is “Minor migrants, vulnerable and voiceless.” He asks us to come together to pray for Word Day of Migrants and Refugees.

As Christians, we are called to reach out to and pray for all migrants to emphasize the unity of the human family and the values of acceptance, hospitality and love of neighbour.

Next Sunday, on the 103rd World Day of Migrants and Refugees, we remember in a special way those who have left our shore and those who have come!

## **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated around the world between January 18 to January 25, 2017, on the theme: Reconciliation - The Love of Christ Compels Us' (*cf 2 Cor 5:14-20*).

## **Vocations Day**

St. Benedict's Priory, Cobh, Co.Cork

*Vocations Day for women discerning a contemplative vocation.*

Saturday 7th January 2017.

Please contact Mother Prioress:

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### Get Ireland Walking Programme

The following FREE walking programmes will take place in Kilkenny in the New Year,

#### Callan, Droichead Centre

**Mondays at 6pm & Wednesdays at 11am**

**Starts 16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> January**

#### Kilkenny City, Canal Square

**(Hurling Statue),**

**Mondays at 7pm & Tuesdays at 11am, Starts 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of January**

#### Ferrybank, Meet at Ferrybank AFC, Wednesdays at 7pm

**starting 11<sup>th</sup> January**

#### Castlecomer Discovery Park

**Saturday mornings at 11am**

**starting 7<sup>th</sup> January**

The walks are part of the Get Ireland Walking programme, contact Kilkenny Recreation and Sports Partnership for more information on 056 7794991, [www.krsp.ie](http://www.krsp.ie)

### Slieverue & District A.R.A.

A.G.M will take place on Wed. next **11th Jan. at 2 pm.** Annual membership & insurance of **€20** will be collected at the meeting. Please have it in an envelope with your name. **Do not bring any deposit** for a Spring break as this is not finalised yet!

### GAA News

Ferrybank GAA Club will hold its Annual General Meeting on Thursday January 12<sup>th</sup> at 8.00 in the Ferrybank Parish Hall.

### Ferrybank's SPLIT THE POT

Results Week 1

3rd Prize €25 - Bernadette Dunphy

2nd Prize €50 - Margaret Grant

1st Prize €200 - Fiona Kelly

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