

Ferrybank Parish Newsletter

22nd January, 2017. Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catholic Schools Week 2017

Catholic Schools Week 2017 will take place next 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”

On Sunday 29 January Bishop Denis Nulty, Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin, will be the chief celebrant and preacher at Mass to mark the opening of Catholic Schools Week 2017. This Mass will be broadcast by RTÉ on radio and television from the Church of Saints Peter & Paul, Portlaoise.

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.

It is a celebration of Catholic schools throughout Ireland, North and South which acknowledges the tremendous contribution that our primary and post-primary schools make not just to Irish society, but to the mission of the Church.

St Mary’s Cathedral Restoration Fund

The eleventh Draw of the St Mary’s Cathedral Restoration Fund will take place on Wednesday, Jan. 25th, 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.

Our Lady of Good Counsel G.N.S.

If you have not already registered your daughter for a place in Junior Infants for September 2017 at Our Lady of Good Counsel GNS please do so as soon as possible. Phone the office on 051 832984 or email at secretary.ferrybankgns@gmail.com

Lourdes ’17

The annual Ossory Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from Monday, 22 May until Saturday, 27 May inclusive. Bookings for all intending to travel may be made by contacting Eleanor (Monday-Friday) at Glenmore parish office, Glenmore, Co. Kilkenny, Tel. 051 880414, email glenmore@ossory.ie Price €775 ops.

Thank You

Thank you to all who attended or supported in any way our Christmas Craft Fare held on

Sunday December 4th in The Rhu Glen Country Club. All proceeds were in aid of the Jonah School in Slieverue and the total amount raised was €480.

Carers Club for Carers of People with Alzheimers & Dementia

Next Meeting on Wednesday Jan. 25th at 7.30pm to 9pm at Pinegrove Day Care Centre, Passage Road. Come along for a chat and a cuppa. A problem shared is a problem halved!

“Come and See” *Vocations Afternoon*

Saturday 18th February, 2017 from 2.00pm to 4.30pm

For women discerning a religious vocation

Poor Clare Monastery, College Road, Cork

Visit www.poorclarecork.ie or Email: vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com

AIM High

Encouraging young people to take an active part in their Church, parish and community, Aim High is open to **all young people, 16 years and over**. The award is flexible, non-competitive and requires an ongoing commitment. The programme is coordinated through the Parish, in conjunction with parish organisations, secondary schools and youth clubs.

The St. Brigid Cross Workshop takes place on Saturday 28th January, 2017 from 2pm to 4pm in the Parish Centre, Loughboy.

There is also a day course for the ministry of Readers on Saturday 4th February, at 11am in the Chapter Room, St. Mary’s Cathedral, Kilkenny.

If you are interested in participating in either of the above or would like to know more please contact the Parish Office.

Ferrybank GAA AGM

Ferrybank GAA Club held its Annual General Meeting in the parish hall recently.

The following were elected: Presidents, Fr. Crotty PP, and Fr. Dempsey CC; Mrs. Essie Collins and Sean Burtchaell

Chairman: Nicky Heffernan; Vice-Chairman Tony Power; Secretary; Pat O’Meara, Assistant Secretary, Dominic O’Brien; Treasurer; Declan O’Meara; PRO, Declan Howard; Health & Wellbeing Officer; Kate Gordan; Committee: Martin Freeman, Jack Burtchaell and Padraig Buggy.

Slieverue & District A.R.A.

Spring holiday to Yeats' Country Hotel, Rosses Point, Sligo takes place on Mon. April 24th to 27th. Full information will be given on Feb. 1st. 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.

Ferrybank's SPLIT THE POT Results Week 3

3rd Prize €25 - Davy Purcell

2nd Prize €50 - Jimmy Fitzgerald

1st Prize €144 - Ann Marie Fennessy

Organised by Ferrybank Community Development Residents Group
