

Ferrybank Parish Newsletter

12th March, 2017.

Second Sunday of Lent

First Confession

We keep in our prayers the boys and girls who made their First Confession on Wednesday evening last, March 8th. May they always know Jesus as the good shepherd and their friend.

St. Patrick - Friday 17th March, 2017. Holy Day of Obligation

St. Patrick our National Patron allows us to reflect on our deep heritage. On his feast we acknowledge all those who are part of our nation. We especially remember all Irish born people living across the world. We recall also that Patrick was an immigrant - we acknowledge the blessings he brought to our land and we celebrate the gifts of many who now journey to Ireland. **Vigil Mass on Thursday evening, 16th March at 7.30pm and 10am, 11am and 12 noon on Friday 17th March.**

Emigrant Collection

Our Annual Collection for Emigrants will be taken up in the Offertory Collection on St. Patrick's Day. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Lenten Stations

Very many thanks to all who contributed to the Lenten Stations, in support of the priests of the parish. If you missed the collection you can place your envelope in the box at the end of the church at any time. Your continued support is much appreciated.

Trócaire Boxes

This year Trócaire's 2017 Lenten Campaign focuses especially on Climate Change and working with communities vulnerable to natural disasters e.g. Honduras and other places. To support this and many other causes please take a Trócaire Box from the back of the Church and join in the fight for justice!

St Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund

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.

Trócaire Lenten Coffee Morning

Rockenham, St. Killian's Place & Belmont Heights will host the second in our series of Lenten Coffee Mornings on **Tuesday morning next 14th March** from 10.30am to 12 noon in the Parish Centre with Sales Table & Raffle. Admission €3 with all proceeds in support of Trócaire. All are welcome!

Ferrybank Lenten/Easter Parish Evening of Prayer and Reflection

The Parish Evening of Prayer and Reflection will take place in **St. Kieran's College, Kilkenny from 7.30pm to 10pm on Tuesday evening 21st March.**

The Theme for the parish evening is '*You stay with us on the Journey*'.

The evening of Prayer and Reflection is a wonderful spiritual experience where we can let go for a short time and allow ourselves to be refreshed and renewed in the presence of the welcoming Lord.

If you would like to attend please contact the Parish Office or one of the Priests as soon as possible so that arrangements can be put in place.

Annual Trip to Noddfa, North Wales

The annual trip to Noddfa, North Wales takes place from Monday 26th June returning Sunday 2nd July. For more information contact Bernie 087-656 9871.

Camp Veritas in Ireland!

Camp Veritas is a one-week sleep-away pilgrimage experience for teens 12-18 years of age. It has a similar religious format to the extremely popular YOUTH 2000 with daily Mass, Adoration, and rosary while the teens are taught catechesis by fantastic teachers. Camp Veritas also offers numerous activities!

Takes place in Maynooth University from June 26-July 1, 2017. The cost for the week is €350 early bird by cheque posted by April 1st or €400 regular price. Registration is now open until May 1, 2017. **Visit our website at www.campveritas.ie or contact us at: admin@campveritas.com.**

Ferrybank's SPLIT THE POT Week 10

5th Prize 'Billy Ryan Tyre Service'

Wheel Alignment Voucher €30 Value – Elaine Pang

4th Prize 'The Flower Shop' €20 Voucher – Amy Kelly

3rd Prize €25 – Benny Egan

2nd Prize €50 – Paul Fetton

1st Prize €110 – Jessie Scannell

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