

Ferrybank Parish Bulletin

18th March, 2018. Fifth Sunday of Lent

New Bishop of Ossory

Father Dermot Farrell was ordained Bishop of Ossory in Saint Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny on Sunday last 11th March. Family and friends of Bishop Farrell joined concelebrating bishops and priests in a packed cathedral for the ceremony.

The Chief Ordaining Prelate was Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, Archbishop of Dublin, who was assisted by His Excellency Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo, Papal Nuncio to Ireland, and Bishop Michael Smith, Bishop of Meath. Father Dan Cavanagh PP Rosbercon read the Homily. The Apostolic Mandate from His Holiness Pope Francis was read by Monsignor Michael Ryan, Administrator of the Diocese of Ossory. Father Roderick Whearty PP of Saint Patrick's Parish, was the Master of Ceremonies for the Ordination Mass. Cardinal Séan Brady, Archbishop Emeritus of Armagh presided at the Mass.

Music for the ceremony was performed by the Diocesan Choir including choir members from the choirs of the 42 parishes of the Diocese under the direction of Father Richard Scriven PP, Inistioge and Mr Sean O'Neill Director of Music at Saint Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny.

Let us be united as a Diocese in congratulating Bishop Farrell and pray the Spirit of the Lord will be with him as he commences his new and challenging role as Pastor of the Diocese.

Lenten Alms

The Lenten Alms collection, for diocesan charities is being taken up next Sunday, Palm Sunday. Please give something extra in the offertory collection.

Penitential Service

The Parish Penitential Service in preparation for Easter will take place on **Wednesday next, March 21st at 7.30pm**. All are encouraged to attend as part of our preparation for Easter.

Trócaire Lenten Coffee Morning

Abbey Park, Abbey Road, Ard Glas, Leaca Ard, Fíodh Mor, Belmont Road and all surrounding area will host the fourth in our series of Lenten Coffee Mornings on **Tuesday morning next 20th 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!

Feast of St. Joseph - March 19th

On Monday next we celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph the earthly father of Our Lord and the husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a special day for the Little Sisters & Residents at St. Joseph's Home, Abbey Road. The Home is dedicated to St. Joseph and he is the patron and protector of the Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Poor. We wish Mother Roseline, the Little Sisters and the Residents, Staff & Volunteers a very happy feast day.

Family Carers Ireland

Family Carers Ireland are currently recruiting for Home Care Workers in the Carlow/Kilkenny area. The ideal candidate will have at least one year experience providing care in a professional setting, up to date Patient, Moving & Handling cert & hold at least two QQI Healthcare modules. Interested candidates are invited to contact us at kilkenny2@familycarers.ie with an up to date CV.

Information Evening for bereaved Parents

Solas Cancer Support Centre & Anam Cara, an organisation that supports parents after the death of a child, will host an Information Evening for bereaved parents on Tuesday 27th March in the Solas Centre, Williamstown, from 7pm to 9pm. This free event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age of the child dies, the circumstance of the death or whether this was recent or not. Call 085 2888 888 or see anamcara.ie for more information.

St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund

The first Draw of the St Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund will take place on Wednesday evening, 28th March at 8pm in the Cathedral's Chapter Room. 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.

Mullinavat Bingo

Mullinavat Bingo in Mullinavat Community Centre on Thursday 22nd March at 8.00 p.m. doors open at 7.30 pm €850.00 in prizes. All welcome.

Slieverue & District A.R.A.

Afternoon Tea in Faithlegg House Hotel on Wednesday May 16th at 3.30 p m followed by a trip to Dunmore. Total cost to include coach is €30 and will be collected on Wednesday (as usual in an envelope please). Coach times: Slieverue at 2.30pm & Ferrybank at 2.45pm.

Ferrybank's SPLIT THE POT

Results Week 11

3rd Prize €20 - Kelvin Kearns

2nd Prize €30 - Tom Williams

1st Prize €100 -Bernie Barry

Organised by Ferrybank Community Development Residents Group