

 **Sunday Envelope Collection**
 The amount received
Ferns for the week was €753.50
 The amount received for **Ballyduff** for
 month of **February** was €2142.00
 The amount received from **Clogogue** for
 the month of **March** €126.60
Thank you for your generosity.

A History of Ferns
 It is priced at 10 euros. Any queries
 please contact 0866089198.
 Also available in The Parish Office.

Mass Leaflet's
 When attending Mass please use the leaf-
 let provided, it will help with the respons-
 es. Due to the Covid exclusion of people
 from Sunday Mass many have forgotten
 the responses, especially children through
 no fault of their own.



Trocaire Boxes
 Please return your Trocaire Box as
 soon as possible as we would like to
 send off the contributions as soon as
 possible.
 Boxes may be left at any church sacris-
 ty or parish office.
 Your generosity will be greatly
 appreciated.

Ferns SVP
 The SVP is always willing to give
 assistance to anyone who is in need
 of support. This has been made possi-
 ble through the generosity of caring
 people. To contact ring 086 7219303.

ST. AIDAN'S PARISH INFORMATION
Very Rev Paddy Cushen. P.P. Tel: 053-9366152 / Mobile: 087 2387559.
 E-mail: frpaddycushen@gmail.com **Eir Code: Y21 N9 W7**
Assistant: Very Rev. Pat Stafford , 086 234 4674
Parish Office: Tel: 053-9366514. E-mail: fernsparish@gmail.com **Eir Code: Y21 X5 W9**
Weekend Mass Times: Vigil Mass, Saturday 6.15pm Sunday 8.30am & 11.00am
 Weekday Mass Times: Monday to Saturday day 9.30am.
Confessions: Every **Saturday** after **9.30am** Mass & First **Thursday** after **9.30am**
 Mass and on request.
ST. COLUMBA'S CHURCH, BALLYDUFF
Weekend Mass Times: Vigil Mass, Saturday 7.30pm **Eircode: Y21 FD 73**
ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH, CLOGOUE
Weekend Mass Time: Sunday 9.45am
Eir Code: Y21 CD 96
Reconciliation Services: Lent and Advent. **Baptism:** By appointment.
Marriage: At least three months notice must be given.
Ferns St. Vincent de Paul: Tel: 086 7219303
Safeguarding Officers: Denis Kinsella 087 2465720, Bernidina Roche 086 0786100
 Ballyduff: Alan Byrne 086 8135149. Clogogue: Mary Skelton 087 6984703
St. Aidan's Church, Ferns
 Has a live Webcam Streaming for all Masses. The camera is focused on the
 Altar & Sanctuary. You can watch Mass & Services live from St. Aidan's
 Church by going to YouTube and searching for Ferns Church or on Facebook at
 Ferns Church Live or on our Parish Website www.fernsparish.ie



Vol. 16. No. 33 9th & 10th April 2022 Palm Sunday

**Now to the gate of my Jerusalem,
 The seething holy city of my heart,
 The saviour comes. But will I welcome him?
 Oh crowds of easy feelings make a start;
 They raise their hands, get caught up in the singing,
 And think the battle won.**
 So begins Malcom Guite's sonnet 'Palm Sunday' (Sounding the Seasons, Canter-
 bury Press, 2012), capturing the elation of the crowds that line the streets of Jerusa-
 lem to welcome Jesus. But their loyalty is short-lived, as we discover in our reading
 of the Passion. Jesus is soon deserted, betrayed, denied, and left to face humiliation
 and death alone. **Too soon they'll findThe challenge, the reversal he is bringing
 changes their tune.** We can all see ourselves in the Passion. There are times,
 when things are going smoothly, when it is easy to praise God and shout 'Hosanna!'
 There are days when we struggle, when we are confused or upset and do not know
 what God expects of us. We can even turn our backs on him when the going gets
 tough, or when we cannot find the courage to stand up for our beliefs. This week we
 are the disciples walking with Jesus, on a journey that leads to the cross, and be-
 yond.

Penitential Service
 in Ferns Church Palm Sunday 10th April at 7.00p.m.
 Please come and avail of the Lord's mercy and forgiveness through this
 great sacrament. There will be four priests available.

Talk on Prayer
 Sr. Stephanie, Loreto Convent, Gorey in Ferns Pastoral Centre, beside Parochial
 House on Monday 11th April. All very welcome.
 Please come in preparation for Easter.

Tombrack Big Clean up
 We have registered for both An Taisce National Spring Clean and The North Wexford 2k with
 Wexford County Council.
 Two roads have been registered in total and we require as many residents as possible to come
 out and help.
 If the designated dates and times do not suit, please feel free to choose a day and time that suits
 you best.
 Bags gloves and picking sticks will be available.
 The scheduled clean up for the roads are:
Tombrack to Strahart - Saturday 23rd April Meet at Tombrack Hall at 11.00 am
 Please wear high vis jackets. For further information contact Nan 0863645631 or
 Catherine 0539366248

Mass Time & Intentions

This Weekend

9th & 10th April 2022

FERNS CHURCH

6.15pm:

8.30am: People of the Parish

11.00am: Davy Creaan, Station Road

BALLYDUFF CHURCH

7.30pm: Baby Michael Kehoe, Raheen

CLOLOGUE CHURCH

9.45am: John Kennedy, Clologue

Mass Time & Intentions

This Weekend

16th & 17th April 2022

FERNS CHURCH

6.15pm:

8.30am:

11.00am: Kathleen O'Connor, Pairc Mhuire

BALLYDUFF CHURCH

7.30pm: Tommy Browne, Clonee

CLOLOGUE CHURCH

9.45am: Billy & Rita Donohoe, Ballinakill

THE PRIEST ON DUTY

V. Rev. Patrick Cushen P.P.

053 93 66152/087 238 7559

If not available please call

Very Rev. Pat Stafford

086 234 4674

Marriage

Congratulations to

Dermot Flynn & Rebecca Moynihan

who were married in Clologue Church

recently. We wish them health and

happiness in their future lives together.

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the faith

Olivia Catherine

Oliveira Kearns

Cianna May Ward

who was baptised recently.

16th & 17th April 2022

Ministers of the Word

6.15pm: Mary O'Brien

8.30am: Maureen Kavanagh

11.00am: Ailish Davitt

Ministers of Holy Communion

6.15pm: Maire Bernie & Mary Fortune

8.30am: Eileen Brickley

11.00am: Michael Breen & Patricia Keenan

Holy Week

Monday to Wednesday

Ferns Mass at 9.30a.m. followed by
Confessions.

Tuesday Mass of Chrism

Cathedral Enniscorthy at 8.00p.m.
with **The Most Reverend Ger Nash**.

You are asked to be seated by 7.30pm

All are most welcome to attend.

Holy Thursday

The Lord's Supper

Ferns 8.00p.m.

Adoration in Church

Followed by Night Prayer 9.30p.m.

Clologue: 6.30p.m.

Ballyduff: 7.30p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY

Day of Fast and Abstinence

Solemn Passion

Ferns & Clologue 3.00p.m.

Ballyduff 4.30p.m.

7.30p.m. Ferns Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil

Clologue 6.30p.m.

Ballyduff 8.00p.m.

Ferns 8.30p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY

Ferns: 8.30a.m. & 11.00a.m.

Salt will be blessed after Mass

Ballyduff: 9.30a.m.

Clologue: 9.45a.m.

Easter Water will be available in

bottles in all Churches.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

In St. Aidan's Church each weekday Mon.—Wed. from 10.00a.m. to 1.00p.m. in the Pastoral Centre. We would appreciate more adorers if possible to commit to one hour weekly. Co-Coordinator will be Ena Gray 087 2991683.

Rosary, Night Prayer and Reflection in the Pastoral Centre

This week Monday—Wednesday 9.00-9.30p.m. All are welcome to come and pray.

NOTICE TO ENVELOPE

DISTRIBUTORS

The Easter Dues envelopes are now available for distribution. We would be grateful if all distributors would collect them at their convenience. Many thanks for your continued help.



Drive-By Coffee Day

In Aid of Daffodil Day (I.C.S) on
Sunday 10th April in Ballyfoley,
Camolin, Y21 C6K7

11.00am-6.00pm.

Enquiries to Mary on 087 9726897



Lourdes Pilgrimage

20th-24th June 2022, 4 Nights

Led by the Bishop of Ferns,

Most Rev. Ger Nash

Pilgrimage Director: Fr. Matt Boggan

Spiritual Director: Fr. Brian Broaders

Hotels: Padoue, Agena & La Solitude

Prices from €679 p.p.s., daily Break-
fast, Lunch & Dinner.

Highlights include: Mass at Grotto,

Anointing of the Sick, Torchlight

Procession, Blessed Sacrament

Procession & International Mass

Enquiries to: Fr Matt Boggan 051

565610. Joe Walsh Tours: 01 2410800

Email: info@joewalshstours.ie

Booking Forms available in

Parish Office.

Sincere Sympathy

Is extended to The Family of Seán

O'Connell, Ballymore who died

recently

Rest in Peace.

May God console the bereaved in

their grief and loss.

Charities Act Form (CHY3 Cert)

The parish and curacies can claim back income tax paid by subscribers of €250.00 or over in the year. It will not cost the tax payer anything. Last year we received through this scheme a total of €4,247.70, which was great, considering especially with fundraising non-existent from sources outside the church, through various events. If all who received letters recently, to be signed for this scheme sent back the forms we would be eligible to receive €10,000.00 approx., which would be a tremendous amount, costing the taxpayer nothing. Already we have a number of forms returned and have forward them to the revenue commissioner. If you have received one of these letters, could you **please sign it and return.**

Ferns and District

Active Retirement Association

Our next meeting will be held on

Thursday 14th April, 2022 at 3.00

p.m. In Pastoral Centre, Ferns

A 3 night break to the **Radisson Hotel**

Athlone, from the 17th to the 20th of

May, will be discussed.

New members are always welcome to

join the Association and non mem-

bers are welcome to join us on the

proposed trip. Any query to Colm at

0863866582 or Mary 087 2617847

Pro-Life Meeting

Guest Speaker: Vicky Wall

Every Life Counts

Venue: Riverside Park Hotel in the

Seamus Rafter suite on Tuesday 12th

April at 8pm