

PARISH INFORMATION

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Butlerstown Parish Facebook

BEREAVEMENT COUNSELLING/SUPPORT SERVICES

Following the recent changes to the Government guidelines on the lifting of Covid 19 restrictions, we are pleased to let you know that our face to face Bereavement Support and Counselling Services are once again available at **Family Ministry, St. John's Pastoral Centre Waterford**. In addition to this, our online services will continue to operate.

Please contact us at 051 858772

There is a natural human tendency to shy away from what is painful or difficult. Yet if that is our standard pattern of behaviour, we will not get far in reaching our potential. We will never find who we are capable of being.

When have you found it worthwhile to face difficulties, persevere, to achieve some goal that was important to you?

LIVE STREAMING Mass and other services (including weddings and funeral masses) are live streamed from our churches on <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-paul-s> and <https://mcnmedia.tv/camera/buttlerstown> and www.stpaulschurch.ie. There is also a continuous live stream from the churches during the day, so that the parish can extend its reach to those who cannot visit the church. This may mean that your image will be broadcast on those websites, in particular, if you are on or near the sanctuary or sit in the first three rows of the middle aisle. If you do not wish your image to be captured in this way, please sit in another area of the church. If you have concerns, please contact us.

ANNIVERSARIES

St. Paul's

JIMMY FANNING (MM)

PADDY BUTLER

THOMAS & CATHERINE O'CONNOR
& THEIR SON TOM

NICHOLAS WHELAN (Birthday Rem)

FR. COLM O'BRIEN & his mother

JOSIE O'BRIEN

ELLEN & THOMAS GRIFFIN &

DICK GAMBLE

JOAN FORAN

RICHARD CLEARY

PATTY LYNAGH

NAN O'MEARA

TOMMY DROHAN (Birthday Rem)

JOHN KINSELLA

JOHN MORGAN

Butlerstown

PAUL POWER

May they Rest in Peace.



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS 15TH SEPTEMBER

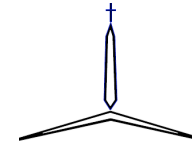
O Lord, we call upon You in our time of sorrow,

That You give us the strength and will to bear our heavy burdens, until we can again feel the warmth and love of Your divine compassion.

Be mindful of us and have mercy on us while we struggle to comprehend life's hardships.

Mary, Mother of Sorrows, pray for us.

Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



12th of September 2021 - TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St Paul's Parish is in St. Otteran's Pastoral Area with the parishes of Ballybricken, Holy Family, St. Saviour's, Butlerstown, Dunhill & Fenor, Tramore & Carbally.'

Losing and Finding

(Mark 8:27-35)

Giving up is part of life – you give up your time and money for your children and grandchildren. Parents say it was worth it for the joy in their faces. A person goes to work for the poor and gives up a better job. You want to do more study and know you have to leave some leisure aside that you like. In sport we sacrifice a lot to train and to do well. But something else comes through for us when we give up. If it's real and true we get back a lot. It seems strange for Jesus to say – lose your life to save it. He's talking about losing good things, to get better.

This can be a big challenge in a culture today that is very 'me' conscious. We can find that personal concerns take total precedence, without enough care for others. But as long as one person on this globe is hungry or homeless or seeking refuge, the work of Jesus is never done.

Losing life and saving life with Jesus is a call to community, to neighbourhood and the world, to make our part of the world a better place.

My own life may be my main concern, my circle of care may extend just as far as myself, ignoring care in a sustained way for the stranger or the outcast, then I am called to the challenge of the gospel to lose selfishness, and find the generosity given in my heart by God.

Donal Neary SJ



MASS ATTENDANCE

We have returned to our normal Mass Schedule in St. Paul's and Butlerstown in accordance with Government Guidelines.

- We **will not** have a booking system in place so please come along in good time.
- Face Masks must be worn at all times when in the Churches and Parish Centre.
- Please use Sanitizer provided.
- Social Distance of 2 metres must be maintained.
- Please only occupy seats which are marked.
- There are some seats designated for families and our volunteers will guide you to these areas if required.
- Please observe markings in the aisles when going to receive Holy Communion.
- Please assist in wiping the area where you were seated at the end of Mass - wipes will be provided.
- Please place offerings in the containers in the porch as you enter or leave.
- Exit slowly from the back - please do not rush the exits.
- Please do not assemble outside the church doors.
- Our Masses will also continue to be Live Streamed and broadcast on the Radio.

FOR LIVE STREAMING OF MASS from either St. Paul's or Butlerstown Church see below

LIVE STREAMING FROM ST. PAUL'S

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-paul-s>

LIVE STREAMING FROM BUTLERSTOWN

<https://mcnmedia.tv/camera/buttlerstown>

RADIO: Morning Mass from St. Paul's Church on the Radio at **107.9FM**

CHURCH OPENING FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

St Paul's Church weekdays 11am - 1.00pm.

Butlerstown Church daily 12.00 to 4.00pm

Please wear a face mask, use sanitizer & observe social distancing.



For this week's Faith @ Home visit <https://waterfordlismore.ie/resources>

Steps to a new beginning

As we begin to step out of Covid-19 restrictions in our parishes, let us pray, with these steps in mind

- Our first step is that of **gratitude**
 - for the gift of another day of life
 - Our second step is that of **love**
 - for the Holy One and for all our family and friends
 - Our third step is that of **hope**
 - for the possibility of new beginnings within our parishes and our diocese
 - Our fourth step is that of **compassion**
 - for those who are grieving the loss of loved ones during the pandemic
 - Our fifth step is one of **generosity**
 - for all that shall be asked of us as we begin new projects
 - Our sixth step is one of **laughter**
 - for the joys that will fill our hearts
 - Our seventh step is one of **patience**
 - for the difficult challenges that may arise.
- Be with us Lord, we pray. Amen.**



DONATIONS If you wish to make a donation to Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown please click the **Donate Button** on our website. www.stpaulschurch.ie/

THE AUTUMN COLLECTION FOR THE PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Will take place this weekend,

12th of September.

Envelopes have been delivered to homes in the Parish and are also available in the Church.

Thank you for your continued support.

Thank you to all our Distributors for your continued help.

INTRODUCTION TO POPE JOHN PAUL II'S

TEACHING: THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

Foyer of Charity, Dunmore East

www.foyerofcharity.ie

8 weeks, beginning Monday October 4th

Prayer, DVD, Discussion,

Donation only

Registration Essential

Contact: Helen Williams 086 1678027



Too often we try to live a faith we don't know or understand. Every Catholic deserves to know their story. Join us for **SYMBOLON**, a 10 week series that presents the BIG picture of our Catholic faith. Ages 18+ Begins September 15th—Wednesdays 8 to 9.15pm—Zoom . To register email events@waterfordlismore.ie or call 085 8623705

THE SEASON OF CREATION



Today is the second Sunday in the Season of Creation, a time we are called to explore our relationship with nature, God's creation.

Pope Francis reminds us in Laudato Si' – On Care for Our Common Home that 'We are not God' (LS, 67). He challenges us to re-examine our vocation to care for creation. In the past we misinterpreted God's words in Genesis to mean that we could have dominion over all of creation, own it and plunder it for our own use. Pope Francis invites us instead to explore our role as carers of creation and reminds us that the very first commandment we were ever given was to be protectors of this beautiful world.

Yet, we know the earth cries out to us and that we are living through the sixth mass extinction of life on this earth due to human activity. Ecosystems are collapsing; biodiversity is in crisis. Laudato Si' is a hope-filled document, reminding us that we can set out on a new path, that we are capable of turning things around.

One key action each of us can take this Season of Creation is to plant a native Irish tree. Each parish, diocese, family, school, university can engage in this symbolic action to help Restore Our Common Home. This week, gather two or three people and explore what can be done, mindful that our Gospel today urges us to walk God's ways not man's.