

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

"Somewhere along the way, we must learn that there is nothing greater than to do something for others."

[Martin Luther King Jr.](#)

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/butlerstown> 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

ANNE O'REGAN

JOHN SWEENEY

MARY COWMAN (MM)

IRENE NORRIS

COLM ENNIS

EDDIE WALSH

MAUREEN BURKE & her Parents & Sisters

BRIDGET KELLEHER (nee Goggin)

MARY RUSSELL

MICHAEL REA

TOMMY, PATRICK & EDWARD

HANRAHAN

Butlerstown

MICHAEL & RAYOND CAREY

& deceased relatives of the LUCAS FAMILY

ELLA SHANAHAN

May they Rest in Peace.



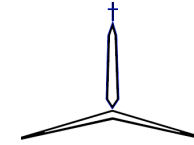
In a world where there is so much need, we have a great deal to give.

It may not seem like much to us but when it is shared it becomes more than we can ever imagine.

The miracles worked by Jesus and Elisha needed someone to come along and offer what they had.

God still needs us to do the same and still guarantees that if we do, things will happen!

Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



25th of JULY, 2021 - SEVENTEENTH 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.'

Gift of Love John 6:1-15

We meet Jesus today in a situation of need. The crowds have followed him and they are hungry. Jesus challenges his disciples to provide a meal for them. When they object that they don't have enough money, and only a tiny amount of food, Jesus uses what they have to pull off a remarkable feat (and feast).

For us, this Gospel might bring to mind the situation of migrants and asylum-seekers who experience hunger and hardship today. We are left in no doubt about our obligation to protect and care for those in need, just as Jesus provided for the hungry crowds. This feeding account also has the elements of a Eucharistic meal, with Jesus taking the food, giving thanks, and distributing it to everyone. Jesus doesn't produce this meal from nothing, but transforms what the disciples provide into a blessing for many.

Sharing in Eucharist means sharing our resources. It means ensuring people are not left to fend for themselves in crisis situations. When we receive the body of Jesus, it is a gift of love. But if we do not give and love in return, we are wasting the gift. Where people are in need, it is our responsibility, as followers of Jesus, to share and to provide. God will provide beyond our imagining, no matter how little we think we have to give, but we are invited to take the first step.



Triona Doherty

World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly 25th of July 2021

In a special way, old age is a time of grace, in which the Lord renews his call to us: he calls us to safeguard and transmit the faith, he calls us to pray, especially to intercede; he calls us to be close to those in need.... The elderly, grandparents have the ability to understand the most difficult of situations: a great ability! And when they pray for these situations, their prayer is strong; it is powerful! **Pope Francis.**

PARISH OF ST. PAUL'S & BUTLERSTOWN MASS ATTENDANCE—WELCOME BACK!

We have now returned to our normal Mass Schedule in accordance with current 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 Just click or go to the links 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 may be heard on the Radio 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 provided and observe social distancing.



for this week's Faith @ Home visit

<https://waterfordlismore.ie/resources>

MEDUGORJE MASS, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

WEDNESDAY 28TH OF JULY

starting with rosary at 7pm, Mass at 7.30pm.
Celebrant Bishop Cullinan. The Mass will be Live Streamed at the link below.

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

ST. PAUL'S SCOUT GROUP

New members welcome from September. We cater for boys and girls from the age of six to eighteen years.
Beavers 6-9 years, Cubs 9-12 years
Scouts 12-16 years, Venture 16-18 years.
We are also recruiting leaders for beaver and cub sections anyone interested please contact Breda Murphy at bmurphstpauls@outlook.ie or on our facebook page St. Paul's Scout Group.



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

FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY celebrated today,

Sunday 25 July on the theme
'I am with you always' (Mt 28:20).

To read Pope Francis' Message click [HERE](#)

Words from Pope Francis....

I had the great blessing of growing up in a family in which faith was lived in a simple, practical way. However it was my paternal grandmother in particular who influenced my journey of faith. She was a woman who explained to us, who talked to us about Jesus, who taught us the Catechism.

I always remember that on the evening of Good Friday she would take us to the candle-light procession, and at the end of this procession "the dead Christ" would arrive and our grandmother would make us — the children — kneel down and she would say to us: "Look, he is dead, but tomorrow he will rise". This was how I received my first Christian proclamation, from this very woman, from my grandmother!

This is really beautiful! The first proclamation at home, in the family! And this makes me think of the love of so many mothers and grandmothers in the transmission of faith.

They are the ones who pass on the faith.

This used to happen in the early Church too, for Saint Paul said to Timothy: "I am reminded of the faith of your mother and of your grandmother" (cf. 2 Tim 1, 5). All the mothers and all the grandmothers who are here should think about this: passing on the faith! Because God sets beside us people who help us on our journey of faith. We do not find our faith in the abstract, no! It is always a person preaching who tells us who Jesus is, who communicates faith to us and gives us the first proclamation. And this is how I received my first experience of faith.

Pope Francis—18th May 2013

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness,

You are my hope and my confidence,
You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!

I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life.

I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me.

I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth.

Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age. Amen.

The Holy Spirit still stirs up thoughts and words of wisdom in the elderly today: their voice is precious because it sings the praises of God and safeguards the roots of peoples. They remind us that old age is a gift and that grandparents are the link between generations, passing on the experience of life and faith to the young. Grandparents are often forgotten and we forget this wealth of preserving roots and passing on. This is why, I have decided to establish World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will be held throughout the Church every year on the fourth Sunday of July.—**Pope Francis**

