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LIVE STREAMING Mass and other services (including weddings and funeral masses) are live streamed from our churches on https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-paul-s **and** https://www.mcn.live/Camera/buttlerstown **and www.stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie. 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.**

From my own experience of having loved ones die, as well as from what others have shared with me, I have found that usually, after a time, we sense that our deceased loved ones no longer need us to pray for them. Now they just want us to connect with them.
Prayer for the dead does that and even though our prayers might still have to be formulated as if we are praying for them, we are now simply connecting with them and what was formerly a cold, cutting absence now becomes a warm, comforting presence.

Ron Rolheiser OMI

ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

JOHNNY (JAB) BYRNE
DANNY MARKS, his parents WILLIE & MARY & his brothers & sisters
JAMES GALVIN
MICHAEL LYNAGH
THOMAS RYAN
MARIA KIEATING
GAVIN CONNOLLY
ENA O'NEILL
MICHELLE BARRETT
MARY CREED
GAVIN O'CALLAGHAN
PAKIE LUCAS

BUTLERSTOWN

JOHN PHELAN

May they Rest in Peace

Yet near us still, they watch and love and know;
We are the blind ones who no longer see
Beloved forms that softly come and go.
Waiting reunion in Eternity.



"We are all called to live our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do.
"Do not be afraid of this holiness.
It will take away none of your energy, vitality or joy." – Rather it will add to them



Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown

1st of November 2026—ALL SAINTS

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.'

The Beatitudes

Matthew 5:1-12

Every year the Church recalls the example, witness, and prayer of the holy women and men who have been identified by the Church as Saints. These saints are more than just role models; they are family members with whom we continue to share relation, in a bond of prayer, called the Communion of Saints. Every year when we celebrate this day, the Gospel we proclaim recalls for us Jesus' teaching about happiness, the Beatitudes. We quickly note in this reading that none of those Jesus names as "blessed" or "happy" are expected . . . the poor in spirit, the meek, the persecuted. Jesus' blueprint for happiness reflects little of what the world might call happiness.

What does Jesus mean when he uses the word "blessed?" This word is sometimes translated as "happy" or "fortunate" or "favoured." In other words, Jesus is saying that divine favour is upon those who are poor, who mourn, who are persecuted. This might have been welcome and surprising news to the crowds who heard Jesus that day.

The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Because of this, it is natural that we proclaim this Gospel on the Feast of All Saints. Saints are people who lived the spirit of the Beatitudes as Jesus lived. On this day, we too are challenged to model our lives on the spirit and promises of the Beatitudes.



PARISHES OF ST PAUL'S & BUTLERSTOWN LIVE STREAMING AND RADIO BROADCAST

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You can also read our latest Newsletter at the above links.

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

CHURCH OPENING FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

St Paul's Church weekdays 11am -1pm
Butlerstown Church daily 12 to 4.00pm

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https://waterfordlismore.ie/resources/

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION
ST. PAUL'S CHURCH €1,907

HOLY SOULS NOVENA PARISHES OF ST PAUL'S & BUTLERSTOWN
The **Holy Souls Novena** will take place in **St. Paul's Church** beginning on Monday **the 2nd of November and will continue until the 10th of November.**
Mass each weekday morning (including Thursday) at 10am.
Weekend Schedule as Normal
Envelopes for your remembrance intentions are available in the Church.

ST. PAUL'S BEREAVEMENT MASS
Our special Mass for all who have been bereaved recently or in the past will take place in St. Paul's Church on Thursday 5th November at 7.30pm All are welcome.

HOLY SOULS MASSES BUTLERSTOWN
A Triduum of Masses for the Holy Souls will be celebrated on the 24th, 25th and 26th of November at 7.30pm each evening in Butlerstown Church.

BUTLERSTOWN BEREAVEMENT MASS
Our special Mass for those who have been bereaved will take place in Butlerstown Church at 7.30pm on Thursday 26th of November. All are welcome.

RAISING HOPE: CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME TOGETHER
A Laudato Si' Conference for the Dioceses of Cloyne, Cork and Ross, Waterford and Lismore on Sat 21st November at Clayton Hotel Silver Springs, Cork More info: www.waterfordlismore.ie To register please email: maria.murphy@trocaire.org

FR. PATSY KELLY MSC RETREAT
will take place at the Nagle Chapel, beside Mooncoin Church, on 13th, 14th & 15th of November—7pm-8.30pm on Friday and 10:00am-4:30pm approx. on Saturday and Sunday. All are welcome

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION
Our next collection in St. Paul's will take place this weekend the 31st October/1st of November.
Our collectors can also now accept non cash donations with our Tap and Go Machine.
Thank you for all your great continued support.

PRAYER VIGIL WITH THE RELICS OF ST THERESE (FOR AGES 15 – 30)
Sat 14th November 8pm – 9pm followed by Adoration at the Chapel of the Sisters of Mary Morning Star X91YD70, Lady Lane, Waterford. More info: 087 3928734

RSA CHECK IT FITS CHILDRENS CAR SEAT CHECK
Tesco Tramore X91TV05 Thursday 12th of November
Tesco Waterford, Kilbarry Road, Ballybeg X91 XD9C Friday 13th November.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
will take place in St. Paul's Church after 10am Mass on Friday November 6th, Feast of All the Saints of Ireland, and will continue each Friday up to December 18th. Intentions to be prayed for are World Peace, Vocations to the Priesthood and Healing in Family Life.
If you can commit to spending time before the Blessed Sacrament in quiet prayer, you might put your name in the book on the table at the back of the Church. All are welcome anytime.

Afterglow
I'd like the memory of me
to be a happy one.
I'd like to leave an afterglow
of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve,
to dry before the sun;
Of happy memoriesthat I leave
when life is done.

SOME FEEDBACK FROM STUDENTS WHO TOOK PART IN THE POPE JOHN PAUL II AWARD 2026

- The biggest take away from this is how both the parish, SVP and homework club are all connected. Helping others leads to a better you.
- I have seen how welcoming the Church is. I have seen first hand how young people contribute to the atmosphere and a sense of community. I felt like I showed other young people not to feel embarrassed about their religion, to feel welcomed by the church and feel like that have a place in it.
- I felt a sense of pride to be part of the fundraising for the Jubilee Clock. It felt amazing to help the parish raise the funds, as I felt like I was giving back after they had been so kind and welcoming when we started the JP2 award.
- There were of course times when I felt nervous and didn't really want to do a particular activity, but I didn't want to let anyone down and by God's help I did it.
- I think young people can make such a huge contribution in the church. I felt that we made a big difference in our parish: for one, there were a lot more younger faces in church. In my case, a few of the children who I teach in my stage school saw me at Mass during their communion prep Masses. I think this is important for young people to see other young people in Mass as it can inspire other young people to continue going to Mass.
- Knowing that I played a small part in contributing to something that will last for years made me feel proud.