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# 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

If we could look into each other's hearts
And understand the unique challenges each of us
faces, I think we would treat each other much
more gently, with more love, patience, tolerance
and care. Marvin J. Ashton.

LIVE STREAMING Mass and other services (including weddings and funeral masses) are live streamed from our churches on <a href="https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-paul-s">https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-paul-s</a> and <a href="https://mcnmedia.tv/camera/buttlerstown">https://mcnmedia.tv/camera/buttlerstown</a> 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

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ALICE McENERY
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REV. FR. RICHARD
O'CARROLL O.F.M.
BRIAN HAMPSHIRE
GWEN MURRAY

**Butlerstown** 

PADDY DELANEY



May they Rest in Peace.

Lord,
We pray for those who
mourn,
Immerse them in your love
And lead them through
this darkness
Into your arms and light.
For those who comfort,
Be in both the words they use
And all that's left unspoken;
Fill each heart with love.





#### 4th of JULY. 2021 - FOURTEENTH 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.'

## This is the carpenter, surely?

'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house.' We might find ourselves sympathising with Jesus in today's Gospel: no matter what a person achieves in life, in their home place they will always be identified with their childhood selves and their family. While this generates a sense of belonging, it can be stifling. There is always someone to ensure we don't get ideas 'above our station'!

Returning home to Nazareth, Jesus teaches in the synagogue but his former neighbours turn on him. Who does he think he is, this carpenter, the son of Mary? This could have been a moment of grace, if they were open to hearing what he had to say. Perhaps the implications of the Good News were just too challenging coming from one of their own.

Sometimes God's Word comes in an unexpected package. As individuals and communities, we can be guilty of silencing certain voices. Do we listen to young people with their energy and idealism, or the elderly with their experience and wisdom? Are we biased against certain groups in society, do we shoot them down before they speak? When our hearts are open, we come to recognise the prophets who are bringing the dream of God to fruition among us.

'Although they heard you Lord, they failed to listen. They heard only what they wanted to hear. The truth hurt them, you made them feel uncomfortable, and they rejected you... Show us how we may seek your Kingdom and help to bring peace to a troubled world.'

(Tony Singleton)



Tríona Doherty

# 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 <a href="https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-paul-s">https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-paul-s</a>

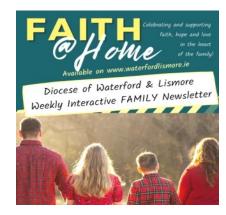
LIVE STREAMING FROM BUTLERSTOWN https://mcnmedia.tv/camera/buttlerstown

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 <a href="https://waterfordlismore.ie/resources">https://waterfordlismore.ie/resources</a>

The St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Collection will take place this weekend. Many thanks for your continued support.

## MASS BOOKINGS

Mass. To book a Mass in either Butlerstown or St. Paul's please Ring the Parish Office at at **357730**. Thank you.



**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/

### IN THE ORDINARY

It's easy to think you know people. Then they can surprise you. We can find ourselves making opinions and judgements easily on people on colour, race or age. Or we know them for a long time and then something happens like a marriage or a death and we see another side to them.

We think the same even about Jesus — was Jesus a carpenter? No! He could work in wood, metal or stone! So immediately we are challenged by this gospel like they were. Here was the ordinary man, going every week to work in Sepphoris, a few km from his home, now taking on the role of preacher and prophet. Nothing divine about that - or maybe it's one of the most divine things we can do! Work and family bring us close to God who is working all the time and who is loving all the time.

How might you see God today – creation, love, silence, care? A new baby in the family – God's creation of new life with us, or someone who is very ill but in weakness of the body is also finding peace in the prospect of heaven....that is God at work. God is around in the depth moments of life.

What does this gospel make of Jesus? He makes sense of our lives with us and for us, teaching and healing with compassion and love. We do not know him fully, we don't know all he said, but we live by the echo of his words. *Donal Neary SJ* 

Think over yesterday — what gave you a lift in the heart, a sense of peace, the presence of God.
Lord, I thank you for the wonder of us all!

THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY, will be celebrated on Sunday 25 July on the theme 'I am with you always' (Mt 28:20). To read Pope Francis' Message click HERE Excerpts from Pope Francis' Message for World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly

Pope Francis' Message for the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly 'I am with you always'

In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells the Apostles, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (28:19-20). These words are also addressed to us today. They help us better understand that our vocation is to preserve our roots, to pass on the faith to the young, and to care for the little ones. Think about it: what is our vocation today, at our age? To preserve our roots, to pass on the faith to the young and to care for the little ones. Never forget this.

Even at the darkest moments, as in these months of pandemic, the Lord continues to send *angels* to console our loneliness and to remind us: "I am with you always". He says this to you, and he says it to me. That is the meaning of this Day, which I wanted to celebrate for the first time in this particular year, as a long period of isolation ends and social life slowly resumes. May every grandfather, every grandmother, every older person, especially those among us who are most alone, receive the visit of an *angel*!

At times those angels will have the face of our grandchildren, at others, the face of family members, lifelong friends or those we have come to know during these trying times, when we have learned how important hugs and visits are for each of us.