

## PARISH INFORMATION

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Butlerstown Parish Facebook

## BEREAVEMENT COUNSELLING/SUPPORT SERVICES

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**

**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](http://www.stpaulschurch.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 web-sites, 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.

## A NEW YEAR IS UNFOLDING

like a blossom with petals curled tightly concealing the beauty within.

Lord, let this year be filled with the things that are truly good, with the comfort of warmth in our relationships, with the strength to help those who need our help and the humility and openness to accept help from others.

As we make our resolutions for the year ahead, let us go forward with great hope that all things can be possible with Your help and guidance."

## ANNIVERSARIES

### ST. PAUL'S

MAURICE BURKE (MM)  
BRIDIE LYNAGH (MM)  
BILLY McGRATH  
EDWARD O'SHEA  
& his father MICHAEL  
THOMAS & CATHERINE O'CONNOR  
& their son TOM  
ADAM TAYLOR  
TOMMY DURNEY  
PATRICK CREGAN  
PADDY MOLONEY  
PEGGY & JACK HAYES  
KATHLEEN & JOHN O'BRIEN  
GERRY BROWN  
TOMMY McLAWRENCE  
THOMAS McLAWRENDCE Snr.

### BUTLERSTOWN

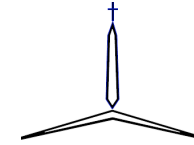
VERONICA O'BRIEN  
NOREEN MURPHY

*MAY THEY REST IN PEACE*



*Dear God,  
give me strength when I am weak,  
love when I feel forsaken,  
courage when I am afraid,  
wisdom when I feel foolish,  
comfort when I am alone,  
hope when I feel rejected,  
and peace  
when I am in turmoil.  
Amen.*

# Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



**16th of JANUARY 2022 - SECOND 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.'*

## Cana: New wine for life

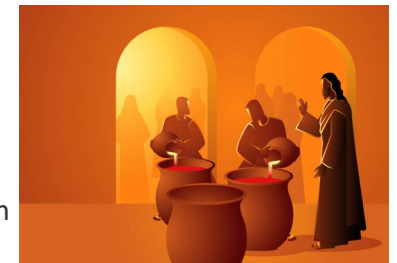
The human side of the gospel today is the huge need of a young couple on the best day of their lives. Jesus hears of their need and the result is the wine for the wedding, but more so, it is the promise of the fullness of God.

**W**e look for the fullness of life in money, food, travel, security, reputation...none last. Only the simplest joys of life really satisfy in the end, like the joy of love, the thrill of friendship, the caring in family and the ways we enjoy the goodness of creation.

**A** man asked once in the hospice at the end of his life -'what is happiness?' 'Find happiness now' was his answer -'be satisfied, be grateful, for what you have, for what you have received, for what God has given you.' There is a fullness of life in being happy with who I am, what I have... and asking God for what he knows I need.

**N**o matter what our age, we can do good for others, we can share the graces of life and the soul can grow. That's what I hope can happen for me as life goes on. In any group of people, some look happy and some look miserable. The happiest are not always the ones who had or are having the easiest life. They are the ones who have found peace with themselves, others and God.

**B**ecause of the gift of the fullness of God in 'new wine', we always have a home, here and after - in the heart of our God in Jesus Christ now and for eternity.



Fr. Donal Neary

## MASS ATTENDANCE IN OUR PARISHES

- Face Masks must be worn at all times 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/butlerstown>

**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 mask & follow guidelines**

## CALLING MEMBERS OF ALL CHOIRS IN ST. PAUL'S. ...

A special meeting will take place on **Wednesday, January 26th. at 7.30 p.m. in St. Paul's Parish Centre**, with a view to forming a combined St. Paul's Jubilee Choir to assist with special liturgies during our Golden Jubilee year. All are welcome. We completely understand that in the present circumstances some will not wish to attend. We will observe all Covid regulations and precautions.

## SPECIAL JUBILEE MASS, JANUARY 30TH

We look forward to welcoming St. Paul's Scout Troop for a special Jubilee Mass in St. Paul's Church on Sunday January 30th at 11.30 p.m.

## GOLDEN JUBILEE VALENTINE CELEBRATION AT THE 11.30 MASS IN ST. PAUL'S CHURCH ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH.

We are inviting all wedding jubilarians from 1972 onwards to join us for a special celebration and thanksgiving - celebrating Fifty, Forty, Twenty-five, Ten or Five years of marriage - or any number in between! Our Mass will include an opportunity for renewal of Marriage Vows.



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

## AT BAPTISM MASS THE POPE RECALLS THE IMPORTANCE OF PRESERVING CHRISTIAN IDENTITY

Celebrating the morning Mass on Sunday 9 January, the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord, in the beauty of the Sistine Chapel, Pope Francis personally administered the Sacrament of Baptism on sixteen infants, nine girls and seven boys, who are the children of Vatican employees working at the Holy See.

In his brief homily given without a scripted text, Pope Francis said that these infants will receive their Christian identity through the Sacrament of Baptism being administered today. And the role of parents and godparents is to help them deepen and preserve this Christian identity throughout their lives. It is a daily effort and commitment, the Pope added, underlining the importance to help the children grow in the blessing of the light they receive today.

Recalling a liturgical hymn for this feast of the Baptism of the Lord, the Pope described how it recounts how the People of Israel went to the Jordan with their feet and soul totally exposed as a sign of our need for God. So too are these infants here today, he observed, ready to receive the justification and strength from God to go forward in life with the help of their parents and godparents, who have the responsibility to help them preserve their Christian identity.

In conclusion, the Pope encouraged the parents of the soon-to-be baptized to keep their infants warm, since it can be quite cool in the Sistine Chapel during the Winter months, and to make them feel at home, nurse them and to realize that if they cry, it is also an expression of their spirit being in community with all those present. (Catholic News.ie)

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- ◆ DETAILS ON BOOKING BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS
- ◆ INFORMATION REGARDING ALL SACRAMENTS
- ◆ READINGS OF THE DAY
- ◆ OUR GALLERY OF PHOTOGRAPHS
- ◆ TO CONTACT US ... and MUCH MORE

## IN PRAYER....

*In prayer we are never alone. But too often we do not appreciate this; our eyes can be closed to the blessings around us, to the height and depth and breadth of the mystery of our Christian prayer and our Christian life.*

*But even there God is full of compassion for us in our weakness, as is Christ our mediator. And he can work within us in his own way, usually hidden from us, to bless us with all the abundance and generosity that are his.*

*Patrick McGoldrick 'Remember and Give Thanks',*



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