

PARISH INFORMATION

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Butlerstown Parish Facebook

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ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

ELIZABETH & WALTER NORRIS

RICHARD (DICK) McGUIRE

PEARL WALSH

BESSIE & JIMMY KIRWAN

JOE ASHFORD & HIS SISTER

ANNIE & PATRICK HALLIGAN

& Sons & Daughters

MARGARET POWER

MAY & JOHN KEANE

LIAM RYAN (MM)

BARBARA HURLEY

JAMES SUTTON

MICK FLYNN

CATHERINE & THOMAS HALLIGAN

THERESA HEALEY (Birthday Rem)

ANN FORSEY

RICHARD FITZGERALD

OWEN NEVILLE

KATHLEEN WALSH

BRIDIE SHERIDAN

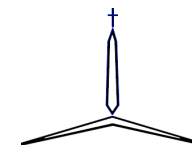
VERONICA POWER (Birthday Rem)

& deceased members of the

KINSELLA FAMILY

May they Rest in Peace

Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



27th of November 2022 - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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.'

Light for the Journey

In faith and in hope we begin Advent this week with its first candle. With Mary and Joseph we wait for Christ. The candles are lighting the way for them - and for us! The coming light of Jesus lights both our waiting and our journey in life. May it shine the light of Christ into any darknesses of the year since last Christmas - our bereavements, illness, disappointments.



We prepare best for Christmas by spreading this light. The way to celebrate Christmas is rooted in our following of the gospel. Among our ways are care for the poor, some daily prayer, and the wish to forgive and be forgiven.

All the different images of Christmas prepare us for this birth

- the carols we hear and sing,
- the lights in the streets,
- the star over the church and the ways we pray with anticipation and remember other Christmas days with joy.

Everything of this month can remind us of God. The Christmas trees, lights, cards, carols, parties, Santa hats, the houses lit up with reindeer and all the things we see about Christmas, all remind us that God is near.

We welcome this light in the spirit of Pope Francis:

(The Light of Faith, 37). 'Those who have opened their hearts to God's love, heard his voice and received his light, cannot keep this gift to themselves. Since faith is hearing and seeing, it is also handed on as word and light'

Fr Donal Neary

"At times, the frantic pace of the modern world prevents us from listening attentively to what another person is saying. Halfway through, we interrupt him and want to contradict what he has not even finished saying. We must not lose our ability to listen".



**Pope Francis
Fratelli Tutti**



Spend a little time this Advent to remember some people or family memories that make you grateful for Christmas. Thank God for these in your world.

ADVENT- a time to recognise God's hidden presence in the most ordinary moments of our lives.

ADVENT

MAY YOUR JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT
BE BLESSED AND JOYFUL
AND MAY IT LEAD YOU DAILY
MORE DEEPLY
INTO WHO YOU TRULY ARE
THE PERSON GOD DREAMED
YOU TO BE
WHEN HE CREATED YOU.

MASS ATTENDANCE IN OUR PARISHES

- Please use Sanitizer provided.
- Please observe markings in the aisles when going to receive Holy Communion.
- Our Masses will also continue to be Live Streamed and broadcast on the Radio.

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

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

<https://stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie/>

 DONATE

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



**Jubilee Night
of Music**
Wednesday 30th Nov
Starting at 7:30pm
St Paul's Church,
Lisduggan, Waterford

Performing
High Hopes Choir
Caroline Reid O'Brien
Male Voice Choir
SoulSong Gospel Choir

Comperer: Jane Croke

No Cover Charge
Donations to St. Vincent de Paul & Creeslough

ARCHBISHOP EAMON MARTIN LAUNCHES THE 2022 INTERACTIVE DIGITAL ADVENT CALENDAR

Calendar to go live on <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/> this 27th November, the First Sunday of Advent
Now in its ninth year, this interactive digital Advent calendar retains a unique and popular online presence. Behind the 28 virtual doors, the calendar offers resources for schools, parishes and the home with short inspirational video messages, some seasonal crafts for children and prayers to help us keep Christ at the centre of our Christmas preparations.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Thanks to all for your great support throughout the year. Your continued generosity made it possible to support the great need in our Parish. Our **Christmas Collection** will take place next weekend 3rd/4th of December.
Thanks again to all.

ADVENT PRAYER

Lord Jesus,
send your Holy Spirit upon our preparation for Christmas.
We who have so much to do
seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.
We who are anxious over many things
look forward to your coming among us.
We who are blessed in so many ways
long for the complete joy of your Kingdom.
We whose hearts are heavy
seek the joy of your presence.
We are your people, walking in darkness
yet seeking the light.
To you we say "Come, Lord Jesus". Amen.
Henri Nouwen



*O God, open our hearts
to prepare the way
for the coming of Christ.
Guide us in your ways of compassion
So that we may extend your love
and mercy to all people.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
Amen.*

FOUND

A glasses case containing an old pair of glasses and a note about the 26 January 1956 has been handed into St. Paul's Parish Office. If you have lost this please contact the Parish Office.



**ADVENT - A TIME
OF WAITING**
'Perceiving life through the window of the soul'
St John's Pastoral Centre
Tuesday 29th November @ 7.30pm
Facilitated by Antoinette Dilworth rsj

There is no fee, but a donation on the night would be most welcome to cover costs. See <https://waterfordlismore.ie/> for more information.

BLESSING OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Bless, O Lord, this Christmas tree,
and all who gather around it.

May the needles that point upwards lead us to worship the Creator who came from heaven to be born as a child.

May the needles that fall to the ground remind us of the needs of the poor and homeless and those who seem to be at the bottom of the social pile.

May the decorations that brighten this dark winter season, prompt us to celebrate it with thoughtfulness and joy.

MEDUGORJE HEALING MASS

Will take place on Wednesday 30th of November at Mount Sion, Barrack Street, starting with Rosary at 7pm
Mass at 7.30pm.
Celebrant: Bishop Phonsie Medugorje Choir
All are welcome.