

PARISH INFORMATION

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Facebook: St Pauls Church Lisduggan.
Butlerstown Parish Facebook

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Lord Jesus,

Thank you for showering your compassion on us. We know that in any circumstance we can come to you, and we will not be turned away or ignored. Thank you for caring about us deeply and understanding our needs. Help us to have faith like those that followed you. Give us the courage to drop what we think is important, and instead give our whole selves to you. You call us to love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength (Mark 12:30). Allow us to trust you fully with all four of those and to follow you, even if the destination is unknown. We know that wherever you lead us, you will provide.

ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

JOSEPHINE RUSSELL (MM)

EDWARD WALSH (MM)

CLIVE NOBLETT (MM)

THOMAS CHESTER

EILEEN & JACK GRANT

ELIZABETH (BETTY) GLYNN

JERRY NOBLETT

JOHN HEALEY

THOMAS McLAWRENCE

JOHN COLLOPY

ELIZABETH GRANT

MICHAEL O'DONOVAN

GERARD O'DONOVAN

NOREEN DALTON

JOHN DALTON

JIMMY GAUL and his Mother & Father

BUTLERSTOWN

ANN MANNAS (nee TAHENY)

May they Rest in Peace

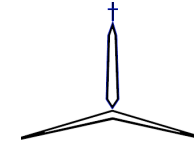


*Bless those who mourn,
eternal God,
with the comfort of your love
that they may face
each new day
with hope and the certainty
that nothing can destroy
the good that has been given.*

*May their memories
become Joyful,
their days enriched
with friendship,
and their lives encircled by
your love.*



Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



22nd of January 2023 - THIRD 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.'*

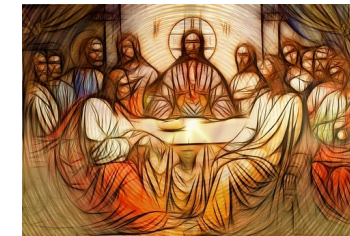
Love and Call

Matthew 4: 12-23

We notice a big change of life for the disciples – they leave the past to follow the Lord, leaving behind their old jobs and roles but also what might block them from living fully. To follow the Lord joyfully we need to believe in ourselves as valued in the sight of God. We pick up messages about ourselves from people in life and we have to let them go.

Every child coming into the world deserves to know that he or she is loved. We believe that the first gift of our faith is the love of God, the humble God who became one of us in love. In religion we need to touch into the love and the call of God, by gradually letting go of the things in the world that prevent from knowing God's love. The first of the apostles had something new. Each of us, week by week can get this new thing, the love of God.

Everything else flows from that. To know the love of God is a huge gift, and to know the love and acceptance of another or a few others in life is also a huge gift. Both are one, in every love and friendship we have.



Donal Neary SJ

**Lord, Let me know your love day by day
and share with all I meet.**

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/buttlerstown>

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/>

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<https://waterfordlismore.ie/resources/>

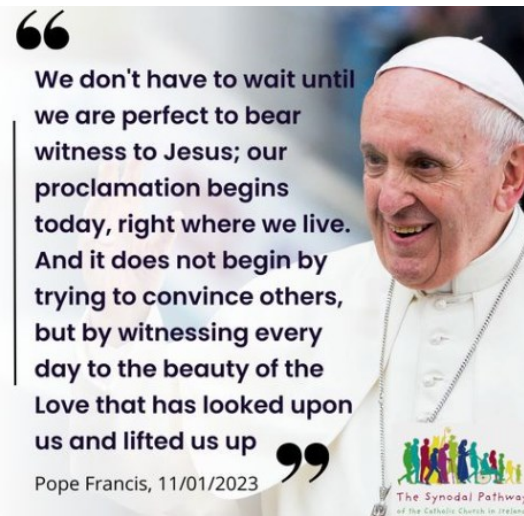
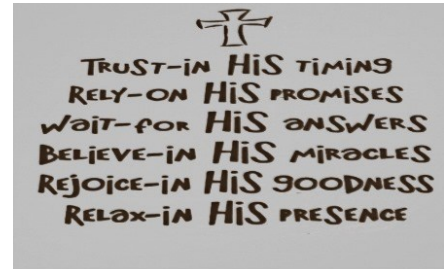
ST. ANTHONY'S NOVENA AND BLESSING WITH THE RELIC OF ST. ANTHONY

will be held on Tuesdays in the Cathedral after 10.30am Mass.

The Franciscans have asked that the Cathedral continue the Novena. All are welcome and the Mass will conclude with the prayer and hymn to St. Anthony followed by blessing with the relic.

WATERFORD MEDUGORJE HEALING MASS

The Waterford Medugorje Healing Mass will take place in Mount Sion Chapel on Wednesday 25th of January starting with Rosary at 7pm followed by Mass at 7.30pm. This Mass is a special Mass for Our Lady's coming to Medugorje and in thanksgiving for the Visionaries, Priests and Families who look after the pilgrims. Celebrant: Bishop Phonsie. Choir: Medugorje Choir. All are welcome.



'The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light' ... Jesus applies this to himself and his message.

His message was a call to repentance, to a change of attitude toward God, from seeing God as one to be feared, to seeing God as a God of love.

Jesus invited disciples to join him in his mission. In responding, the disciples 'left their nets' to follow Jesus.

REFLECTION (Matthew 4:12-23)

"When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew."

Withdrew. The word connotes a pulling back, a retreat, a time of regrouping, of reckoning, a decision point. John's arrest sent a clear signal. The message of God's kingdom would not be tolerated. The message that the powerful would be thrown down and the poor lifted up would not be preached. The messenger would be severely punished – even put to death.

No wonder Jesus withdrew. He had a decision to make. Go forward or cease and desist. Risk everything or risk nothing.

As I reflected on the decision Jesus faced, one of my grandmother's oft repeated encouragements surfaced and resurfaced and resurfaced. I kept hearing her say:

In for a penny. In for a pound.

Jesus had already given so much of himself. He had cured, preached, challenged, comforted so many. For good and for bad, his reputation preceded him. He was already "in for a penny" when he learned of John's arrest. Would he, could he continue on a path leading to the same fate as John? We know his decision.

"In for a pound" and so much more.

Sr. Denise Wilkinson



WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023

The Diocese of Waterford & Lismore is inviting young people aged 18 – 35 to join us on Pilgrimage to Lisbon for World Youth Day. World Youth Day (WYD) is a phenomenal gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the youth world. This unforgettable pilgrimage will take place from 31 July - 8 August 2023. For now, we are taking expression of interest until we have more information on times and prices. Limited spaces are available. If you are interested, please fill out our expression of interest form on www.waterfordlismore.ie/pilgrimages or email youthministry@waterfordlismore.ie

ACCESS IT SMARTPHONE CLASSES

Browns Road Library is pleased to welcome back Access IT for a series of smart-phone classes this February. Classes will run for seven weeks every Wednesday starting 8th February. Topics will include getting to know your smartphone, phone security, going online etc. This class is suitable for beginners and aims to take the mystery out of your device! Classes are free but places book up fast so be sure to secure your spot by phoning Browns Road Library on (051) 849 614 or send an email to brownsroadlibrary@waterfordcouncil.ie

"The programme of Jesus is 'a heart which sees'. This heart sees where love is needed and acts accordingly."

Pope Benedict, Deus Caritas Est, 2005