

## PARISH INFORMATION

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**Facebook:** St Pauls Church Lisduggan.  
Butlerstown Parish Facebook

**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/butlerstown> 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 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.

## PRAYER FOR A JOURNEY

"Lord, be our guide and our protector on the journey we are about to take.  
Watch over us.  
Protect us from accidents.  
Keep us free from harm to body and soul.



Lord, support us with Your grace when we are tired.  
Help us be patient in any trouble which may come our way.  
Keep us always mindful of Your presence and love. Amen."

## ANNIVERSARIES

### ST. PAUL'S

PAT FITZGERALD  
JIM & JOHN TREACY  
KATHLEEN HEFFERNAN  
TOMMY DWYER  
KATHLEEN FLYNN (BR)  
JOHN FLYNN  
MARTIN ROCHE  
LINDA GRACE  
NAN& RICHIE O'CONNOR  
KITTY & PADDY CORRIGAN

### BUTLERSTOWN

DONAL & MARY McGRATH

May they Rest in Peace



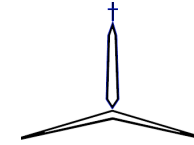
*The more of everything you share –  
the more you will always have to spare*

*The more you love – the more you will find  
that life is good – and friends are kind*

*For only what we give away  
Enriches us from day to day.*



# Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



12th of March, 2023 - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

## *The Well is Deep*

A famous picture has the Samaritan woman looking into the well and seeing there her image - and the image of Jesus. In the depths of the well of her life is the presence of Jesus.

In the depths of the well, when we are in love, pain, death, decision, joy, we find God. God is near when we are near to ourselves, even in shame and sin. We thirst for meaning in life, for knowing we are totally loved, for community and companionship - and God offers all this.

This is the offering of God - the living water is the Holy Spirit. We thirst for inclusion - the disciples in this story did not want Jesus talking to a woman. So much of the religion of the time separated people. In the depths of the well we are all equal.

We find the mercy of God in the well. As we go into the depths of prayer and ourselves we are open to mercy. We may put conditions on God's mercy - naming our sins, or numbering them. At the bottom of the well is the water of mercy.

Of the mercy of God, Pope Francis says that '*there is no sin or crime of any kind that can erase from the mind or heart of God even one of the children he has created*' (November 2013).



*Donal Neary SJ*

## MASS ATTENDANCE IN OUR PARISHES

- Please observe markings in the aisles when going to receive Holy Communion.
- Our Masses 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/>

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**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/>

TROCAIRE BOXES  
ARE NOW  
AVAILABLE IN  
BOTH CHURCHES



ST PATRICKS DAY ARRANGEMENTS  
PARISHES OF  
ST. PAUL'S & BUTLERSTOWN



10.00AM MASS IN BUTLERSTOWN

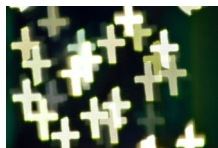
11.00AM MASS IN ST. PAUL'S  
(Please note time)

7.30PM MASS IN ST. PAUL'S

## PRAYER OF ST. PATRICK

May Christ shield me today.

Christ with me,  
Christ before me, Christ behind me,  
Christ in me, Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ on my right,  
Christ on my left.  
Christ when I lie down,  
Christ when I sit,  
Christ when I stand,  
Christ in the heart  
of everyone who thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth  
of everyone who speaks of me,  
Christ in every eye that sees me,  
Christ in every ear that hears me.



GLASSES IN ORANGE CASE FOUND NEAR  
THE CHURCH ON TUESDAY LAST,  
Please contact the Parish Office

## WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM ST PATRICK TODAY?

To entrust ourselves, our Church, our country to God's protective care

To have full confidence in the Lord's healing presence and power. *'The Lord's is the earth and its fullness, the world and all its peoples'*

*Ps 23*

To give thanks for God's special care and call to each of us, knowing that God took the initiative in our vocation and will sustain us day by day

To be devoted to reading the Gospels so that we take on the mind and heart of Christ Jesus and make decisions according to the mind of Christ

To be receptive to God's will in all our trials, to trust him unreservedly, God uses these trials to shape our hearts and conform us to Christ Jesus

To be alert to all the opportunities we are given each day to proclaim the Gospel, and to know that whatever good we do is through God's boundless grace.

To believe in the importance of intercession for our people and all people at this time.

*Mother Marie Fahy,  
Abbess of St Mary's Abbey, Glencairn*

## LEGION OF MARY

The Annual Acies Ceremony (act of consecration to our lady) for Active and Auxiliary Members of the Legion of Mary will take place on Saturday 25th of March (Feast of the annunciation of the Lord) at 7pm in the Edmund Rice Centre Barrack Street Waterford.

## OUR FUNDRAISING GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

**TABLE QUIZ** will take place on Tuesday 28th of March at 8pm in St Paul's Parish Centre. Teams of 4 €20 Prizes for first, second and third. Teas and Coffees will be served. All are welcome.



## LENTEN PRAYER FOR SUNDAYS

Heavenly Father,

As I enter another week of my Lenten journey, guide me to the path that leads to you.

Fill my heart with gratitude, patience, strength, and peace as I strive to become the-best-version-of-myself.

As I renew my resolve each day to become a better person, let me hear your voice in the deepest reaches of my heart. Give me rest in you.

Help me to accept others, showing them your great love instead of casting judgment.

Stay with me through the busy days this week and remind me that when I need comfort, solitude, wisdom, or guidance, I can always turn to you.

Help me develop discipline and generosity through fasting and almsgiving, and come closer to you through prayer this Lent. Amen.

*"In addition to the Scriptures,  
the Lord speaks to us through our  
brothers and sisters, especially in  
the faces and the stories of those  
who are in need."*

*Pope Francis' message for Lent 2023*