

PARISH INFORMATION

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Facebook: St Pauls Church Lisduggan.

Butlerstown Parish Facebook

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ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

SEAN BARRY

PATRICK (FAD) WALSH

DANIEL MURPHY

NOEL DOHERTY

PEGGY O'TOOLE

JAES (JIMMY) QUILTY

JOE WALL

MARIA LINNANE

THOMAS MURPHY

MICHAEL REA

DICK & THOMAS KENNEDY

BILL O'MEARA

STATIA & JIMMY HIDGERS

FRANKIE WATERS

WYN MAYNE FLOWER

JOHN CORCORAN

BUTLERSTOWN

SEAN COX & his wife PATRICIA

May they Rest in Peace



Merciful God,
as we enter Holy week,
turn our hearts again to Jerusalem,
and to the life, death, and resurrection
of Jesus Christ.

Stir up within us the gift of faith
that we may not only praise him
with our lips,
but may follow him in the way of the cross.

The Brightest Light

*The veil of darkness
transformed to the brightest
light.*

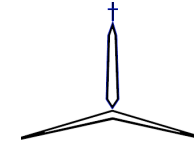
*The most dreadful end
became the most beautiful
beginning.*

*The depths of despair fade
to reveal hope everlasting.
Death defeated by eternal
life.*

Author Unknown



Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



2nd of April, 2023 - PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

He has Endured the Cross

Matthew 26:14-27

Our gospel today is long; it is the first of two readings of the passion and death of Jesus; we hear many sayings and notice events that are familiar to us and to all Christians. Maybe during the week we could take time to reread the gospel account, and watch what happens, going a bit behind the externals.

We will see Jesus being mocked, tortured, hurt, ridiculed, beaten and killed. We notice his fear in the garden of his agony, and also his willingness to go to the end for what he believes in and sees as his mission in life. We see him being treated unjustly, and a notorious thief being chosen over him for release. We see him on the cross, when he seems to feel neglected by his Father.

We notice also the help he received - the silent sympathy and love of his mother, Simon's help carrying the cross, the sympathy of the 'daughters of Jerusalem', and even the faith of the Roman who said he was a good man, a 'son of God'. We wonder about how he felt with the mockery and with the help he received.

We can identify with much of his suffering, in our own lives and the lives of people close to us. He is the one who 'has endured the cross and despised its shame' (Hebrews).



We can often take comfort and consolation from the fact that he identifies with the suffering of the human race, and that his resurrection is the basis of our faith, hope and love.

Fr Donal Neary, S.J

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/>

CHECK IT OUT For updates on events/series in the Diocese of Waterford & Lismore ...Go to the web address below for the current issue of Check it out!
<https://waterfordlismore.ie/resources/>

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 16TH APRIL

Ceremonies commence in St. Paul's at 1.30pm with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Sacrament of Reconciliation 2 to 3pm.



EASTER ARRANGEMENTS PARISHES OF ST PAUL'S & BUTLERSTOWN



Holy Thursday 6th April:

- 11.00am Chrism Mass in the Cathedral
7.30pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper in **both** St. Paul's **and** Butlerstown.
8.30 to 9.30pm Prayer before the Altar of Repose in Butlerstown Church
9.00pm to 10.00pm Prayer before the Altar of Repose in St Paul's Parish Centre

Good Friday 7th April:

- 12 noon Stations of the Cross for families in St. Paul's Church.
3.00pm Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion in **both** St. Paul's **and** Butlerstown.
7.30pm Stations of The Cross in **both** St. Paul's **and** Butlerstown.

Holy Saturday 8th April:

- 11am to 1pm Confessions in St. Pauls.
9.00pm The Easter Vigil shared by St Paul's & Butlerstown in St. Paul's Church.

Easter Sunday 9th April:

- 8.30am Mass in St. Paul's
10.00am Mass in Butlerstown
11.30am Mass in St. Paul's

Easter Week 10th to 14th April:

Mass each morning in St. Paul's at 10.30am (except Thursday)

Friday April 14th:

Mass in Butlerstown at 10.00am

NOTICE FOR DISTRIBUTORS PARISHES OF ST PAUL'S & BUTLERSTOWN EASTER DELIVERY

We would be grateful for your help with the Easter Delivery in your usual areas if you are available .

Butlerstown Envelopes are available in the Sacristy after all Masses .

St Pauls

Envelopes are available from the Parish Office .

Thank you for your help.

HELP WITH ENVELOPE DELIVERIES ST. PAUL'S

If anybody is available to help us with Easter Envelope Deliveries in St. Paul's Parish areas, please call into the Parish Office for more information. Thank you.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT MEETING

Our next Bereavement Support Meeting will take place in St. Paul's Parish Centre on Tuesday next, 4th of April at 10.30am. You are very welcome to join us.

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Next Meeting will take place on Thursday 6th of April at 2.30pm at Manor St. John

A TAIZE VIGIL FOR PEACE

will take place on Good Friday, 7th of April, from 8pm - 9pm with The Peace Choir joined by friends from Ukraine at Edmund Rice Chapel, Barrack St Waterford. All are very welcome.



ACCORD CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CARE SERVICE CLG is currently recruiting people to facilitate on our **Marriage Preparation Programmes.**

We would be delighted to hear from you if you are interested in training as a Facilitator with Accord in 2023
accordwaterford@gmail.com Phone 051 878333

JOHN'S PASTORAL CENTRE WILL SCREEN THE FILM 'THE LETTER' ON TUESDAY 18TH APRIL @ 7.30PM.

We are delighted to be joined by Lorna Gold (who featured in the film) and Jane Mellett from Trocaire. Bookings can be made by calling 051-874199 or emailing marydee@waterfordlismore.ie

About The Letter Film:

"The Letter – A Message for our Earth" was launched in the Vatican on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, October 4th, **The Letter** is a powerful movie which tells the story of four people from very different backgrounds and the roles they are playing to care more deeply for our common home.

*We praise you, O God,
for your redemption of the world
through your Son.
He entered the holy city of Jerusalem
in triumph and was proclaimed
Messiah and king
by those who spread garments
and branches along his way.
Just as we carry these branches,
may we follow Christ
in the way of the cross that,
dying and rising with him, we may
enter into your kingdom. Amen*

Chrism Mass

You are invited to join Bishop Cullinan and Priests of the Diocese

Chrism Mass will be celebrated in Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity, Waterford on 11am Holy Thursday 6th April

All are welcome

GOOD FRIDAY PROCESSION

Walking from Belvedere Grotto at 2.30 pm on Good Friday, carrying the Cross to St. Paul's Church. All are welcome.