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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. 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.

ANNIVERSARIES ST. PAUL'S

NICKY BRENNAN
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JOHN & MARY HALLIGAN
& THEIR SON JOHN
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LIAM, DICK & PAT HANNIGAN
EAMONN KNOX
MARGARET & THOMAS WALSH &
FAMILY
MARY & JOHN DUNPHY & FAMILY
JOHN HARPER CONNORS (MM)
ALICE POWER

May they Rest in Peace



Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places.

If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

John 14:1-12

Our faith tells us to choose the ways of the Lord. He said that he is the way, and the truth and the life. This assures us that in the midst of our uncertainties; we can rely and cling to Him. God introduced himself to us so that we will not be confused and preoccupied.



7th of May 2023 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Centre Holds (John 14:1-12)

The gospel presents Jesus as the guide in life, the 'way, truth and life'. The Christian centre is the person of Christ. Our work for Jesus and our love for people, no matter what our calling in life, flow from this. Mother Teresa was once asked why she did what she did, and she simply said 'for Jesus'. This centre always holds, it cannot be unhinged. It is a deeply personal relationship: we are led by Jesus 'one by one', known by name, not as one of a group. We follow him as one we know, not a stranger.

We study his life and times, getting to know the places and events of his life, we become familiar with the gospels and get to know him in the heart. Prayer is the way of keeping our centre of conviction and motivation strong. Freedom grows and we begin to find him everywhere.

Fr Donal Neary, S.J

Jesus, our way - guide me in life; Jesus, our truth - teach me your meaning of life; Jesus, our life - love me always.



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

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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

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https://stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie/

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THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MONTHLY COLLECTION will be taken up on the weekend of May 6th. Thank you.



WEEKEND WITH ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

St Saviour's Church, Bridge Street, Waterford. Saturday 6th May 9pm - Eucharistic Vigil Night (Praise and Adoration) praying through the intercession of St Therese. Sunday 7th May: 4pm: Presentation on St Therese of Lisieux' spirituality and

LISMORE PARK, LAWN AND HEIGHTS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION A.G.M.

will take place in St. Paul's Parish Centre on Tuesday 9th of May at 8pm.

MEDITATING WITH MARY IN THE MONTH OF MAY

veneration of first class relic

A 3 week visio divina series, facilitated by the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Tuesdays @ Sacred Heart, The Folly - (9th, 16th, 23rd of May) in the Parish Centre following 10am Mass

Thursdays @ St. John's, Parnell St. - (11th, 18th, 25th of May) in the Cry Chapel following the 9:30 Mass

Thursdays @ Sts. Joseph & Benildus, Newtown Road- (4th, 11th, 18th of May) 7pm in the Parish Centre. €5 cost to cover materials. Queries: Sr. Kathryn 087 404 2784 waterford@ascjus.org

BROWNS ROAD LIBRARY NEW PARENT &

TODDLER MORNING! Join us every second Tuesday at 11am and enjoy some relaxed playtime while meeting other parents for coffee and a chat! Next meeting on Tuesday, 9th May we would love to see you there! Phone (051) 849 614 for further information.

NEW KNITTING CIRCLE IN BROWNS ROAD LIBRARY. First meeting on Friday, 12th May @11am. An opportunity to meet new people, swap patterns and have a chat whilst working on your own projects. All abilities are welcome. More information from Brown's

Road Library on 051 849 614.

KNOCK SHRINE CANDLE REQUEST

"Blow gently on the spark that lies within our hearts, that a flame might grow and shed its warmth and light upon our daily journeying with you beside us dear Lord."

For those who are unable to come to Knock in person, we invite you to place a candle request online and our sacristans will light your candle for you at the outdoor candelabra.

Take a few moments of prayer in your day, remember a loved one, pray for your own intentions, for someone about to sit their exams, or for someone in need of your prayers.

Place your request online here: https://www.knockshrine.ie/light-a-candle

A PRAYER TO ST. PEREGRINE PATRON SAINT OF THOSE SUFFERING FROM CANCER

Dear St. Peregrine,
I need your help.
I feel so uncertain of my life right now.
This serious illness makes me long
for a sign of God's love.

Help me to imitate your enduring faith when you faced the ugliness of cancer and surgery. Allow me to trust the Lord the way you did in this moment of distress.

I want to be cured, but right now I ask God for the strength to bear the cross in my life.

I seek the power to proclaim God's presence in my life despite the hardship, anguish and fear I now experience.

O Glorious St. Peregrine, be an inspiration to me and petitioner of those needed graces from our loving Father. Amen.

PRAYERS BASED ON SUNDAY'S GOSPEL JOHN 14:1-12

Heavenly Father, be with me today.

When I am stressed, overwhelmed and unsure, help my heart not be troubled.

When I a worried, comfort me and remind me that I believe in You, the one who has power over everything.

Calm my heart today, amen.

O Lord Jesus Christ,
you have said that you are the way,
the truth, and the life.
Do not let us stray from you
who are the way,
nor to distrust you
who are the truth,
nor to rest in anything other than you,

who are the life. Teach us by your Holy Spirit, what to believe, what to do, and where to take our rest.

We ask it for your own name's sake. *Source: Desiderius Erasmus*

Our lives are easily complicated: we wonder about what to do, about how to live, about how to be true to what we believe.

Jesus reminds us that it is not about what we know or what we want but is a question of who we follow. Following Jesus is a call to be in relationship.

Help me Lord to walk in your footsteps, to know a little more of your truth each day and let my heart beat in time with yours.