

PARISH INFORMATION

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THE GOOD SEED

Although the life of a person
is in a land full of thorns and weeds,
there is always a space
in which the good seed can grow.
You have to trust God. *Pope Francis*

AN EVENING PRAYER

Lord as we lay down to sleep tonight in our safe place
Let us be mindful of those
who may be in harms way.
We pray for them now Lord,
be a fence around them,
bring calm to their fears
And put a prayer of hope
in their hearts.
Amen.



ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

HARRY RUSSELL (MM)
JIM KENNEDY
WILLIAM KELLY
& his son RAYMOND
JIM FENNESSY
JAMES GUIRY
MATTY CREED
BRIDGET CULLIMORE
KELLY COLLINS (Birthday Rem)
EDDIE O'CONNOR
BRENDAN ANTHONY TIERNEY

BUTLERSTOWN

DOMINIC HEARNE

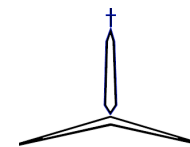
May they Rest in Peace



*We give thanks
for each of our loved ones
whom we remembered today,
for all the ways
in which their lives
touched ours,
for the ways
in which their lives
and their love
continue to be with us.
With thanksgiving,
we remember them.*



Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



16th of July, 2023 - FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JOY AND HAPPINESS

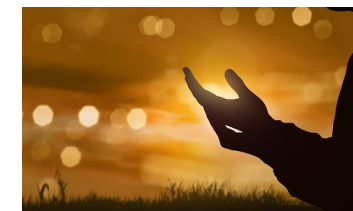
Joy and happiness are two different things, although they are obviously related. There are things in our lives we feel happy doing or experiencing. Watching a good movie makes us feel happy for the time we're watching it. Happiness is very much in the moment, and it can be good.

But joy is a different thing. Joy is a deeper sense than happiness. We feel happy watching a film, but feel joy when we see a good friend who we haven't seen for awhile. Joy is different. To live lives of joy is not to depend on happiness or temporary experiences. It is to seek out the better path and walk it.

Brendan McManus SJ & Jim Deeds
Finding God in the Mass (Messenger 2023)

PRAYER for JOY

*You created me, Lord, out of love and joy.
May the Holy Spirit guide my choices every day
So that I choose joy
I choose love
And I choose hope.
May my fleeting emotions
attached to this world
pass with ease from my heart.
I hear Your command to love!
May my gratitude
for every blessing bring me,
and those I love, Your joy. Amen.*



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/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/>

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

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<https://stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie/>

PADRE PIO RELICS

will visit St. Mary's Church, Cahir on Saturday July 29th. Healing Mas at 6pm followed by blessing with St. Padre Pio's glove. All are welcome
Eircode: E21 E188

Diocese of Waterford & Lismore

'Walk with St. Declan'

Diocesan Pilgrim Walk along St. Declan's Way in the Year of Vocation




Mount Melleray Abbey
Saturday 22nd July

Assemble at 2.10pm for Prayer with the Monks in the Church

- Walk 1: The Well
- Walk 2: The Cross
- Walk 3: The Cross and the Well

<https://sites.google.com/mtmelleray.ie/pilgrimpaths>
Prayer stations on each of the walks.

www.waterfordlismore.ie



BUTLERSTOWN CEMETERY MASS

Our Annual Cemetery Mass in Butlerstown will be celebrated on Wednesday the 26th July at 7.30 pm.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF APOSTLES

We welcome the Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Apostles from Ardfoyle, Cork to our Parish on the 22nd/23rd of July. The Sisters of Our Lady of Apostles were founded in 1876 as a group of international women religious dedicated to spreading the Good News through service and witness of their lives. Promoting women and the marginalized is a priority in their apostolate.

The OLA Sisters are grateful for all the support over the years in so many ways, and they encourage you to continue in that support. Sr. Mary Usifoh will be speaking at our Masses next weekend.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AT BELVEDERE GROTTO (Top of Brownes Road)

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. It also marks forty-two years since the Grotto in Belvedere was blessed and dedicated to Our Lady of Lourdes by Rev Fr. Gregory Power PP of St. Paul's Parish at the time.

To mark the occasion please join with us at the Grotto on Monday evening at 6.30pm to pray in thanksgiving for the many prayer requests granted during these years. We will also remember all who worked to build the Grotto at the time.

3RD WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY - SUNDAY 23RD OF JULY

The Church observes the World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly each year on the fourth Sunday in July, close to the feast of Jesus' grandparents, Saints Joachim and Anne. Pope Francis instituted this Day in 2021 since, he believes, grandparents are often forgotten, yet they "are the link between generations, passing on the experience of life and faith to the young."

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS Matthew 13:1-23 1.

Jesus uses parables to make us think about our responses to his message. As you read this parable you may feel that at times you have been like each of the different types of soil. As you recall times when you presented fertile soil for the Word of God, what helped you create that atmosphere? What lessons for life do you get from that? Parents with children, teachers with pupils, speakers with listeners, are all like sowers in a field where the preparation of the soil is up to another – the child, pupil or listener. They can sow the seed but cannot guarantee that it will bear fruit. At times there may be a temptation not to try any more. The challenge is to sow in hope.
John Byrne OSA

FOR A EUCHARISTIC LIFE

Let us pray that Catholics place at the centre of their lives the Eucharistic Celebration, which transforms human relationships profoundly and opens up an encounter with God and their brothers and sisters.

If you are the same at the end of Mass as you were at the beginning, something is wrong.

The Eucharist is the presence of Jesus, it is deeply transforming. Jesus comes and must transform you.

In the Eucharist, it is Christ who offers Himself, who gives himself for us. He invites us, so that our lives may be nourished by Him and may nourish the lives of our brothers and sisters.

The Eucharistic Celebration is an encounter with the Risen Jesus. At the same time, it is a way of opening ourselves to the world as He taught us.

Each time we participate in the Eucharist, Jesus comes and Jesus gives us the strength to love like He loved, because it gives us the courage to encounter others, to go out of ourselves, and to open ourselves to others with love.

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POPE FRANCIS July 2023

