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LOVING WORDS

Lord, may the words we use today
and every day
be words of kindness,
words of humour
and goodwill:
words that come
from the overflowing
of a loving heart. Amen.



“May the God of hope fill you
with all joy
and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit”
— Romans 15:13.

ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

AILEEN O'NEILL
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MARY BUGGY (MM)
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ANN FARRELL
GWEN MURRAY
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BRIDIE COONEY
& her husband DONAL
ALICE HARNEY
MAUREEN BURKE & FAMILY
MAURA & TOM DUNPHY
KITTY & JOHN O'MEARA
JOHANNA DOYLE
PADDY O'SULLIVAN

BUTLERSTOWN

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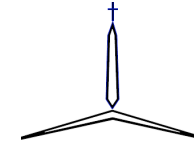
May they Rest in Peace



**TAKE INTO YOUR HANDS, LORD,
THE BURDENS IN MY LIFE;
HELP ME
TO TRUST IN YOU.**

*Recall when you needed to
hear these words,
or met someone else who
needed to hear them, maybe
through you.*

Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



9th of July, 2023 - FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A Time for Rest

The invitation of Jesus to find peace in his presence is one of the most popular of his sayings. He is contrasting his message with the burdensome law, which somehow had lost the heart of religion, over-emphasising the externals of laws and rituals. He is not devaluing laws and rituals but putting them in their place. He offers an invitation that everyone can hear; and at many times of life we really need to hear it. These may be times of illness, bereavement, anxiety, depression and/or worry. It is an invitation to come into his presence, which is a loving presence. It's not just an invitation to enjoy a restful time, but to rest in the presence of love.

Any notion we have of Jesus that is harsh is false: he is 'gentle and humble in heart'. This is the atmosphere he asks us all to spread. *'Once you have received the refreshment and comfort of Christ, we are called in turn to become refreshment and comfort for our brothers and sisters, with a meek and humble attitude, in imitation of the Master'* (Pope Francis, July 2014).



The church is a place of rest for the weary; the place where we find encouragement in the ordinary situations in our lives, where we are called to respond to those who suffer through poverty, homelessness and many other unjust social situations that are part of our world, near and far.

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/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/>

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/>

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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
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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

NEXT COLLECTION will take place this weekend 8th & 9th of July. Thank you for all your generous support.

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.

VACANCY—MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT BUTLERSTOWN CHURCH COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME

This is a developmental opportunity, no experience necessary. Accredited training will be provided to support your career.
Duties - Interior / Exterior Maintenance - Refuse Management, Weed control, Painting.
Contract Type: Temporary. Employer Name: Compact Community CLG
Hours: 19.5 hours per week
Wages: Community Employment Rates
Vacancy Ref: CES-2288183
Contact Georgina Kiely Power 051/875847 email: Georgina.kielypower@compactcommunity.ie

TURNING TO JESUS Matthew 11:25-30

In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus invites us to find rest and solace in Him. He acknowledges the burdens we carry, the struggles we face, and He offers to share our yoke, to lighten our load. Jesus assures us that the demands of God are not beyond our strength. He invites us to turn to Him, place our trust in Him, and seek His help when life becomes overwhelming.

This message is profoundly relevant in our lives. We encounter moments when we feel overwhelmed, burdened by the challenges and trials that come our way. We may face personal struggles or the weight of expectations and responsibilities. In those moments, it is easy to rely solely on our own strength, to become consumed by worry and doubt. But the readings remind us that we are not alone. Jesus offers us His love, mercy, and companionship. He beckons us to come to Him, to surrender our anxieties, and to find solace in His gentle and compassionate presence.

Turning to Jesus in our times of need requires humility, faith, and a willingness to let go of our self-reliance. It means acknowledging that we cannot navigate life's challenges alone and that we need the help of our loving Saviour. It involves surrendering our burdens and allowing Him to guide us along the path of righteousness, justice, and peace. As we reflect on the readings this weekend, let us take comfort in the knowledge that God's promises endure, even in the most difficult of times. Let us trust in Jesus, who offers us rest and shoulders the weight of our burdens. May we seek His guidance, His strength, and His love in all aspects of our lives, knowing that with Him by our side, we can face any trial or tribulation.
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PRAYER OF TRUST

O Christ Jesus, when all is darkness and we feel our weakness and helplessness, give us the sense of Your presence, Your love, and Your strength. Help us to have trust in Your protecting love So that nothing may frighten or worry us, for, living close to You, we shall see Your hand, Your purpose, Your will through all things. Amen

GUIDING LIGHT PRAYER

Lord Jesus ,when I am uncertain about what I should do, guide me along your path. You keep my path straight. When I don't know which way to turn, teach me your way. Help me to be attentive to your voice as you guide me through life. Your word is a lamp for my feet. Shine the light of your love into my confusion. Bring clarity to my mind. Amen.

PRAYER FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION

Lord
You are filled with goodness and grace. You answer according to our best interest. I seek Your wisdom and I seek your favour as I come before you with this prayer request. (Mention your special intention.)
If this will be best for me, I pray that You grant me this desire. Amen.

