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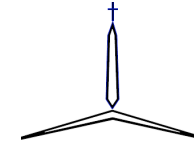
ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

PAUL SULLIVAN
PEGGY McCARTHY
& her mother MARGARET
THOMAS & SARAH O'HALLORAN
ANGY O'SULLIVAN
MARY HICKEY (who died recently)
MARGARET WHELAN (MM)
& Her daughter GRACE
NOEL MARSHALL
GERARD ENGLISH
LEE SALKELD (Birthday Rem)
BRIGID O'BRIEN
Her husband LAURENCE
Her son PETER & daughter CATHERINE
MICHAEL O'DONOGHUE
PADRAIC McKEOWN
CATHERINE FURLONG
SARAH COLLINS (Birthday Rem)
SR. HELEN POWER & her parents
BILLY & PEGGY
CATHERINE SULLIVAN (Birthday Rem)
MICHAEL O'CALLAGHAN
THE HOLY SOULS
May they Rest in Peace



Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



6th of August, 2023 - THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

The Transfiguration of the Lord

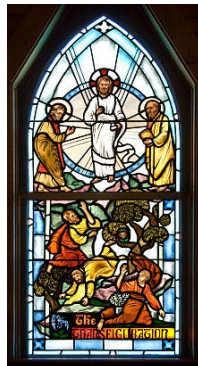
There are very few incidents in the life of Jesus that have a feast of their own. We have the feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple, the feast of his Baptism; we remember his crucifixion on Good Friday and his resurrection on Easter Sunday. The transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain in the presence of three of his disciples has its own feast too, which we celebrate today. It suggests the importance of this incident in the life of Jesus and in our own understanding of Jesus. Just before Jesus' transfiguration, he had spoken to his disciples for the first time about his forthcoming passion and death. The disciples, and Peter in particular, struggled to accept and understand what Jesus had to say.

Perhaps, through this experience of Jesus' transfiguration on the mountain, Jesus wanted to give his disciples a glimpse of what lay beyond the passion and death that awaited him in Jerusalem. In the words of the voice from heaven, Jesus was God's beloved Son. He remained God's beloved Son as he hung from the cross. The loving hands of God would reverse what human hands had done to Jesus. God would bring Jesus through the suffering and death into a new and glorious life, of which the disciples on the mountain were now given a glimpse. They were transfixed by what they saw on that occasion.



If Jesus is God's beloved Son, we are all God's beloved children. As God ensured that suffering and death would not have the last word in relation to Jesus, he will ensure that it will not have the last word for us. When we look at the transfigured Jesus, we are looking upon our own destiny. Saint Paul in his second letter to the Corinthians suggests that something of this glorious destiny can become a reality in our lives now, 'all of us... seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another'.

Dear God
Give me hope and assurance
that you are always with me,
even amid difficult
circumstance.
Help me trust in Your
promises
and trust that you are
working all things together
for my good.
Give me the hope and strength to face each
day with confidence and faith in You.



*Lord of life and love,
as we give thanks
for times past,
grant us courage
to embrace the present
and grace to share the future.*

*In memory of loved ones dear,
kindle their flame
to shine in the dark
and light the path ahead.*

*Show the way that leads to life
as we cherish days gone by
and inspire us
with the touch of love
that faith and hope live on.*

Amen.

BANK HOLIDAY MASS TIME 7th AUGUST

Mass on Bank Holiday Monday will be at 10.30am in St. Paul's Church.

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**

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

<https://stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie/>

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/>

"Hold your eyes on God and leave the doing to Him. That is all the doing you have to worry about."

St. Jane Frances de Chantal

PARISH DAY TRIP TO SPIKE ISLAND

We are hoping to organise a Parish Day Trip to Spike Island on 5th October. We need to know how many will travel to book Spike Island and the bus. The cost will be €60 pp and this includes bus, ferry to Spike Island, guided tour, museums and meal in Lawlor's, Dungarvan. We will need a deposit to book the ferry and the bus. If you are interested please let Colette (0879816992) or Stella know as soon as possible.

EVER FEEL LOST WHEN IT COMES TO USING YOUR SMARTPHONE OR TABLET?...

Browns Road Library is here to help!

Access IT will be running a series of free smartphone classes in the library from Wednesday 13th of September for 7 weeks From 10am to 12 noon.

Spaces are limited so book today

Ring 051 849614 or email

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2023 POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES IN THEOLOGY & PHILOSOPHY

APPLICATIONS OPEN UNTIL 14TH AUGUST

VISIT [SPPU.IE/POSTGRADUATE](https://www.sppu.ie/postgraduate) FOR MORE DETAILS.

APPLY NOW

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St. Patrick's Pontifical University

"I have told you this so that you might have peace in me. In the world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world. " John 16:33.

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

We may never experience anything as powerful as the Transfiguration.

But every day in countless and seemingly small ways God does break into our world and our daily lives.

Every time we experience a moment of peace, joy, reconciliation or forgiveness, God is with us.

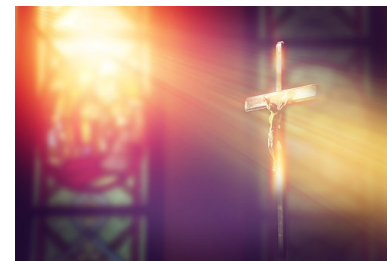
Every time that we reach out to help another person is a moment of transfiguration both for ourselves and for those we help.

Each time somebody shows care and concern for us is a moment when God reaches out to us.

This week, let us open our hearts so that we may hear Jesus speaking to us.

May we slow down and look for moments of small but important times of transfiguration in our own ordinary daily lives.

Michael Moore OMI



WHAT DOES LOVE LOOK LIKE?

It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy.

It has eyes to see misery and want.

It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men.

That is what love looks like.

Saint Augustine.

TRANSFIGURATION PRAYER

On the mountain you were transfigured,
O Christ God,
And your disciples beheld your glory as far as they were able
So that when they would behold You crucified,
They would understand that Your suffering was voluntary,
And would proclaim to the world,
That You are truly the radiance of the Father.



Gracious God,
shine the light of the transfigured Lord upon each of us.
Transform us into the likeness of your Son and make us ready and eager to grow in love for you and one another.
Amen.



*May your blessing be with us,
O Lord, keeping us safe.*