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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.

May the glory and the promise of this joyous time of year bring peace and happiness to you and those you hold most dear.

AN EASTER PRAYER

And may Christ, Our Risen Saviour, always be there by your side to bless you most abundantly and be your loving guide.



ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

TOM & MARGARET WALSH & FAMILY,
MARY & JOHN DUNPHY & FAMILY PEGGY O'TOOLE
MAURICE & MARGARET CORCORAN
JAMES (JIMMY) QUILTY DANIEL MURPHY
MICHAEL FLYNN
PATRICK WALSH
MICHAEL REA
JOHN & PAT CORCORAN
EILEEN FORRISTAL who died recently PATRICK (FAD) WALSH
FRANKIE WATERS

BUTLERSTOWN

NICHOLAS & NORA LEAHY (Anniversary & Birthday Remembrance)

May they Rest in Peace



EASTER GREETINGS

May the light of Easter shine upon your hearts and minds And fill you with a radiant hope, which will sustain you in every moment.





31st of March, 2024 - EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Easter Greetings

We come to the greatest Feast of the year – the Resurrection of the Lord - 'Christ is risen! Alleluia.'

In the words of St. John Paul II, 'We are an Easter people, and alleluia is our song.' This is the crowning truth of our belief in Christ. This is a historical event attested by many witnesses, some of whom have 'eaten and drunk with him after his Resurrection from the dead.' This sheds a dramatically new light on the meaning of human life. No other event in history is of greater significance, as this addresses the reality of sin, suffering and death.

"Death has been swallowed up in victory."

"Where, O death, is your victory? Where,
O death, is your sting?" Thanks be to God,
who gives us the victory through our Lord
Jesus Christ. (1Cor.15:55).



May the joy and hope of this Season touch your hearts. May you know that there is a

love which is stronger than death, which holds us, and all who have gone before us, in an eternal embrace. Our love of life does not deceive us but rather whets our appetite for the fullness of life to come.

May the Risen Lord grace you and yours with his Risen Presence.

Happy Easter!

From Fr. Pat, Sr. De Lourdes and the Parish Pastoral Councils.

OUR MASSES CONTINUE TO BE LIVE STREAMED AND BROADCAST ON THE

RADIO. Please Note our Live Streaming MCN web addresses have been updated. Live streaming link from our own website remains the same.

LIVE STREAMING FROM ST. PAUL'S https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-paul-s

LIVE STREAMING FROM BUTLERSTOWN https://www.mcn.live/Camera/buttlerstown

RADIO: Morning Mass from St. Paul's Church on the Radio at **107.9FM**

OUR CHURCH OPENING FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

St Paul's Church weekdays 11am -1pm **Butlerstown Church** daily 12 to 4.00pm

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LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION ST PAUL'S CHURCH: €2,047 THANK YOU.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE https://stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie/

Alleluia

The reason for the joy of Easter is that Christ is risen – the women who came to the tomb found their joy in this. They may have found joy also in a beautiful dawn in the



garden, or in their friendships, but the joy of Easter is a joy of faith, which nothing need take away

The joy of the resurrection is a joy in giving the life we have received from God: 'Life grows by being given away, and it weakens in isolation and comfort. Indeed, those who enjoy life most are those who leave security on the shore and become excited by the mission of communicating life to others' (Pope Francis).

The Alleluia is for singing, not for humming;

it is to be heard from the voice of the heart, and should lift the hearts of those who hear:

'Jesus Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!'

Sometimes in the middle of illness we find a peace we don't know from where it comes. The grace of the risen Jesus can touch our lives at any time. Let's not be like Christians 'whose lives seem like Lent without Easter' (Pope Francis). Having lived through the season of Lent, our hearts are wholly lifted now in joy received and joy given.

Fr Donal Neary S.J.

THE EASTER COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN UP AT ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND THANK YOU.

EASTER ARRANGEMENTS 2024 PARISHES OF ST PAUL'S & BUTLERSTOWN

Easter Sunday 31st March:

8.30am Mass in St. Paul's10.00am Mass in Butlerstown11.30am Mass in St. Paul's

Easter Week 1st to 5th April:

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

Friday April 5th:

Mass in Butlerstown at 10.00am

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, 7TH APRIL

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

EASTER DELIVERIES ... THANK YOU

Thank you to all of you who helped with our Easter Deliveries in St. Paul's and Butlerstown. Your help is greatly appreciated.

ST. PAUL'S GENERAL KNOWLEDGE FUNDRAISING TABLE QUIZ

will take place on Tuesday 23rd of April at 8pm in St Paul's Parish Centre.

Table of 4 : €20 Prizes for first, second and third. Teas and coffees will be served. All are welcome.

Dear Lord,

We thank you that you are a forgiving God, who wipes out all the wrongs from the past, and starts anew with us today.

Bring healing and comfort to those who are anxious, upset, lonely, or ill today; encourage those who help and care for them. May all who suffer be led from pain to peace.

We give you thanks for your loving mercy shown to us in Jesus Christ, who endured the suffering of the cross to overcome all that separates us from you, and was raised up to new life.

Strengthen our faith in the victory of the cross and the hope of eternal life. **Amen**

LOVE OVERCAME

Love overcame.
Emerging from
a cold tomb
All the truth, majesty
and creativity of
a living God.
Transforming a broken
heart



Making a quiet return, in a still and sorrowful garden

The grave stone rolled away,
to release redemptive love.
Jesus resurrected and restored
Comforts a weeping woman
Speaks with travellers on a journey
Meets with his faithful friends
And they bow down before Christ alive
And acknowledged that the saviour has
arrived

That the word of God has come alive And that the extraordinary transformation of heaven and earth is complete.



Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, every day. Let us have hearts of thankfulness for your sacrifice.

Let us have eyes that look upon your grace and rejoice in our salvation. Help us to walk in that mighty grace and tell your good news to the world.