

## PARISH INFORMATION

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**Web:** [www.stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie](http://www.stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie)

**Facebook:** St Pauls Church Lisduggan.

Butlerstown Parish Facebook

## LIVE STREAMING

Mass and other services (including weddings and funeral masses) are live streamed from our churches on

<https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-paul-s>

and <https://www.mcn.live/Camera/butlerstown>

and [www.stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie](http://www.stpaulsandbutlerstown.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.

## MORNING PRAYER

*Dear God*

*When I stand at the beginning of a new day,*

*Bless me with the vision to see*

*the best of things to come...*

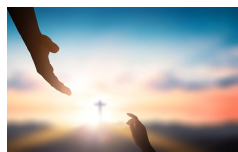
*Wisdom to make good decisions...*

*and most of all faith*

*that you are walking with me*

*every step of the way.*

*Amen.*



## ANNIVERSARIES

### ST. PAUL'S

JOHN & NELLIE WALL  
& their son TONY  
PATRICK SULLIVAN  
DICK BUTLER

DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE  
BARRACK STREET CONCERT BAND

MAURA QUILTY (MM)  
ANTHONY POWELL (MM)  
CATHERINE (KITTY) COLLINS  
MARY PREDERGAST  
MICHAEL GAUL  
BILLY McCARTHY  
BRIDGET DOWER  
EAMONN KNOX  
ALICE POWER  
JOHN KENNEDY  
JOHN KELLY

### BUTLERSTOWN

THOMAS & THERESA CROWLEY  
MARY WALSH (Holycross)  
EILEEN & BERNARD GILSENAN

May they Rest in Peace



## DAILY EVENING PRAYER

*God, our Father,*

*this day is done.*

*We ask you*

*and Jesus Christ, your Son,*

*that with the Spirit,*

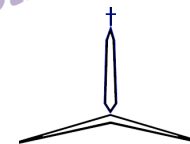
*our welcome guest,*

*you guard our sleep*

*and bless our rest.*

*Amen.*

# Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



12th of May 2024 - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

*St Paul's Parish is in St. Otteran's Pastoral Area with the parishes of Ballybricken, Holy Family, St. Saviour's, Butlerstown, Dunhill & Fenor, Tramore & Carbally.'*

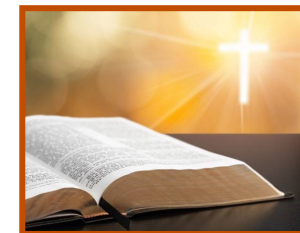
## Ascension

(Mark 16:15-20)

The feast of the Ascension seems to be more about the apostles going out than Jesus going up! As Jesus goes to his Father, the message is for us now, to be witnesses to him, sharing what we have received, and heard.

Witnesses to a road accident can often contradict each other. They get mixed up in what they saw or heard. Or they may have only glanced at the event and moved on. We can be witnesses of Jesus who stayed with the event, not just with a glance. We have seen and heard the best story ever told, and the most influential life ever lived.

We witness to Jesus  
in prayer,  
in reading the gospel  
and in service to others in  
love.



Prayer means being in touch with God who is reaching out to us. The gospel is what feeds us, a daily opening to the words and deeds of Jesus. Loving service brings us to witness the care of God as we give and receive care.

This is what we give to the ascended Lord and receive from him. The word of God is the divine word in human words. In our work for him, God is linking heaven and earth, and we are sharers in his divinity as he is in our humanity. Far from being the absence of Jesus, the *Ascension* is his presence in a new way among us.

*Donal Neary SJ*

**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/butlerstown>

**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



**DONATIONS** If you wish to make a donation to Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown please click the **Donate Button** on 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/>

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:**  
**ST. PAUL'S: €1,732**  
**THANK YOU**

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE**  
<https://stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie/>

**LISMORE PARK, LAWN & HEIGHTS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION A.G.M.** will take place in St. Paul's Parish Meeting Rooms (beside St Paul's National School) on Monday 13th of May at 8pm.

**BUS TO MELLARY**  
The bus to Mellary planned for the 13th of May is cancelled due to lack of numbers.

**SOLEMN PROCESSION OF OUR LADY OF WATERFORD, SATURDAY MAY 18TH 3PM**  
Beginning in St Saviours Church, Bridge Street. Passing the Old Walls of the City and Concluding in the Cathedral  
All are welcome.

**THE ANNUAL WATERFORD (AND DUNGARVAN) LIONS CLUBS "EAST MEETS WEST "GREENWAY LEISURE CYCLE IN AID OF WATERFORD HOSPICE**  
takes place on Sunday 19th May. starting at SETU Carriganore Carpark between 9.30 and 10.30am and ending at the Rainbow Hall, Kilmacthomas, where light refreshments will be served. Please support by cycling (or walking) the 18 Km stretch (or a small portion of same). A donation of €10 per person or €20 per family would be appreciated.

**FR. WILLIE DOYLE - THE NEXT IRISH SAINT?** A Talk by Patrick Kenny, President of Father Willie Doyle Association May 19th, 4 to 5pm, St. Saviours Church Bridge Street, Waterford  
Fr Doyle was a military chaplain of World War 1, who was killed saving wounded soldiers in 1917. His cause of canonization was opened in the Diocese of Meath in 2022.

**THE CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION** will take place on Thursday 30th of May beginning at Ballybricken at 7pm and walking to the Cathedral for Benediction.  
All are welcome.

**NEW BOOK CLUB**  
Interested in joining a new Book Club? Browns Road Library, Lisduggan is looking for anyone with an interest in reading - whether you read every day, are looking to renew your love of books or have never read a book but would love to! To register phone (051) 849 614 or email us at [amodoherty@waterfordcouncil.ie](mailto:amodoherty@waterfordcouncil.ie).

**THE MESSAGE OF THE ASCENSION.**  
Leonardo da Vinci had started to work on a large canvas in his studio. Then suddenly he stopped working on it. Summoning one of his talented students, the master invited him to complete the work. The horrified student protested that he was both unworthy and unable to complete the great painting which his master had begun. But da Vinci silenced him. 'Will not what I have done inspire you to do your best?'

Jesus our Master began to spread the Good News two thousand years ago by what he said and did, and supremely by what he suffered. Jesus illustrated his message and left us to finish the picture. This is the message of the Ascension.  
*Fr Anthony Kadavil*

**"THE LORD WORKED WITH THEM".**  
The ascension marked the end of the visible presence of Jesus with the disciples, but he would be with them in other ways. 'The Lord worked with them'.  
Sometimes we can experience that death is not the end of the presence of someone significant to us. We can experience the unseen presence and influence of a parent, a friend, or an inspiring leader, after they have died. Likewise we can also experience the hidden presence of the Lord working with us.

**PRAYER FOR WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY - 12 MAY**  
O God,  
whose word is truth  
and in whose light we see light,  
guide those who tell the story of our times through word and image.  
Make them seekers after truth and advocates of human dignity.  
Grant discernment to all who rely on their labours, and, as we confront the pain and promise of this world, awaken in us a sense of wonder at your presence and of longing for your peace.  
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.  
Amen

**PRAYER OF ST BRENDAN THE VOYAGER FEAST 16 MAY**  
Help me to journey beyond the familiar and into the unknown.  
Give me the faith to leave old ways and break fresh ground with You.

Christ of the mysteries,  
I trust You  
to be stronger than each storm within me.  
I will trust in the darkness and know that my times, even now, are in Your hand.  
Amen.

