

## PARISH INFORMATION

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Friday 9.15 am to 12.45 pm. and Tuesday 2 to 3pm  
**E-mail:** [stpaulschurchwt@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulschurchwt@gmail.com)  
**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.

## ANNIVERSARIES

### ST. PAUL'S

DAN GREANEY  
CORR DOYLE & her brother  
JACK O'LEARY,  
Her sister GRET ALLEN  
Her great grandson BEN CARLIN  
PEGGY MURPHY  
MARIA JACOB  
TESS & JOE WALL  
HARRY RUSSELL  
KATHLEEN & JAMES COSTELLO  
ROSS GRANT (Birthday Rem)  
JOHN GRANT  
TOMMY DROHAN  
CATHERINE LONERGAN  
PADDY CORRIGAN

May they Rest in Peace



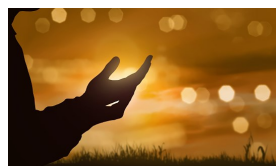
## PRAYER FOR PATIENCE

Lord, thank You for the stillness  
When I can relax before You  
Smooth the furrows from my brow  
The lines from my face,  
The frustrations from my heart  
The heavy loads from my mind  
I ask for the graciousness of patience  
The ability to relax when I must wait.  
May a quiet heart  
and mind attend to me.  
Make straight my path.  
Wrest every short temper  
With a sense of humour.  
Amen.

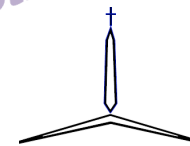


## SHORT PRAYERS

A daily minute of prayer  
is a short prayer,  
so in a day, how often  
do we take time out for the Lord?  
At home, in our office  
and even in our daily routine,  
do we stop to give Him praise,  
thank Him for the many blessings,  
or even ask for His guidance?



# Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



16th of June 2024 - ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*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.'*

## The Ordinary Jesus

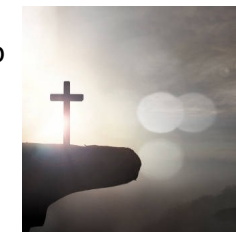
*Mark 4: 26 - 34*

Very often we notice the ordinariness of Jesus. No big discourse on the kingdom of God. He just looks around him and says it's like seeds growing and you can't see them growing.

People knew what he was talking about – seeds growing down in the ground and you can do little about it! You just wait. They had little of the modern quick ways even of sowing. All life was slow and that's often the way.

Like tiny beginnings of a baby. All through life some of the best things are under our eyes and we do not see them. Coming to death there is a slow journey often and it's like growth is happening under the ground. We are being grown by God always if only we would let him do it.

And how we help others grow... You may not know the faith that grows in your children. Faith is different for all of us in practice and specifics. Or the way children are taught to love and it comes out in the next generation: seeing love in a marriage and learning from example to forgive, to live in peace with each other. Seeds are sown and grow – how to love and forgive, how to share with our neighbour, how to face death. When we remember our dead, what comes to mind is what they taught us about life.



A lot of the best in life is 'waiting'. Important moments come at God's time. So much of life is on trust.

*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

 **DONATE**

**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/>

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

**THE IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER**  
Is available each week from the Sacristy.  
Cost: €3 If you would like to pre-order The Irish Catholic, please contact the Parish Office. 357730

**ST. MARY'S BALLYGUNNER CEMETERY MASS**

Will take place on this Thursday 20th of June at 7.30pm. (Parking: Please do not obstruct the entrances to private properties or other vehicles)

**ROSARY AT THE GROTTA OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES, BELVEDERE**

will take place each Monday, Wednesday and Friday until the end of the Summer at 6.30pm. Prayers will be offered for world peace and vocations to the priesthood and religious life. All are welcome.

**THE MUSTARD SEED**

It may be only a mustard seed  
As it leaves my hand today  
So by faith I plant that mustard seed  
and send it on its way.

To do those things  
I cannot do  
If I never let it go  
To bring a harvest  
to my life  
Is the reason I must sow.

If the birds can lodge on  
limbs of faith  
Created by that seed  
Then God can do the same for me  
And bless my life indeed.

But with the blessings of that life  
I'm challenged I must give  
From God's abundant harvest  
So that others may also live.

That mustard seed I plant today  
Will never have an end  
It will bless for generations  
As long as I begin.



**By Paul Tsika.**

**MESSAGE FOR THE DAY FOR LIFE - 16TH JUNE  
"THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD – COMPASSION  
AND HOPE AT THE END OF LIFE"**

Jesus did not send the sick away. Our Lady remained at the foot of the Cross to the very end as Her Son, Jesus, died. Mary is the model of compassionate presence and prayer whom we are called to imitate. People close to death and their loved ones often go through similar darkness and pain but can come to a more complete acceptance and find peace in those treasured last moments accompanied by spiritual care .

We pray to you Lord...

For those who have grown very old,  
especially elderly parents and grandparents:  
that the love and respect of their children  
might sustain them and bring them joy;

For all who live in nursing homes,  
and especially for those who are alone  
or in pain:

that we might cherish the gift of their wisdom,  
and the enduring example of their faith;

For all who are about to die:  
that through our love, care, and devotion,  
they might know the beauty of life,  
to the moment of their final breath;

Almighty God, thank You for sustaining us  
through every stage of life, until our closing  
moments. Please draw near to all who are  
experiencing pain, serious disability, frailty or  
illness and, along with those who care for them,  
grant them comfort, hope and peace. Amen.

*All life has inestimable value even the weakest  
and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the  
unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's  
creation, made in his own image, destined to live  
forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence  
and respect.'*

*Pope Francis*

**Mark 4: 26 - 34**

Jesus uses examples from everyday observation to teach about the growth of the Kingdom of God, the kingdom of right relationships with God and with one another. There too growth is slow, development is imperceptible, and then without realising it you have a mature relationship. Recall the stages of such development in your life of faith and in your friendships and give thanks.

In the second parable Jesus invites us to reflect on the importance and significance of relationships in our lives as they grow and mature. This is true both of our relationship with God and with others .  
When have you found a relationship in which you could 'make a nest in its shade'?  
**Seeing Your Life Through The Lens of The Gospel John Byrne OSA**

**'REFLECTION MAYA ANGELOU**

Maya Angelou was an African/American writer of books and poetry that inspired many people. She died in 2014 at the age of 88. Her life was varied and she encountered many ups and downs. Her Christian faith was important to her . This wise woman left behind a rich legacy that will continue to inspire many generations. These are just some of her thoughts and memories:

*I've learned that no matter what happens, or how bad it seems today, life does go on, and it will be better tomorrow.*

*I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will remember how you made them feel.*