

## PARISH INFORMATION

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Open: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
Friday 9.15 am to 12.45 pm. and Tuesday 2 to 3pm  
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**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.

## Reflect

on the love you have for other people in your life at this moment.  
Family, friends, those you hold closest to your heart...

Picture them in your mind.  
Imagine the joy and love you feel in their presence...  
Hold them in your mind's eye for a few moments.

Hold them before God.

As each person comes to mind give thanks for their loving presence in your life.  
Pray for them quietly in your own words.



## ANNIVERSARIES

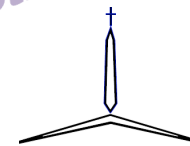
### ST. PAUL'S

PEGGY McCORMACK  
MARY BUGGY  
LENA HENNESSY  
MARKY LUCAS  
THERESA SUTTON  
ALAN MORGAN  
BREDA CLEARY  
CHRISTOPHER O'MAHONY  
ELIZABETH O'MAHONY  
PADDY WHITE  
ANN KENNEDY  
STEPHEN O'KEEFFE  
ROBERT COSTELLO (Birthday Rem)  
BUTLERSTOWN  
ALAN MORGAN  
JIM POWER  
May they Rest in Peace



Every day can't be a good day.  
But within each day—those long twenty-four hours—there are a few minutes or even seconds when something good or special happens.  
Those moments are as powerful as the frail flame of a candle that can light an entire dark room.

# Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



9th of June 2024 - TENTH 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.'*

## Who is the family of Jesus?

*Mark 3:20-35*

Jesus seems here to disown his family. Does he dismiss Mary and his family? He knew that he was not going down well with the family, and maybe wanted some distance from them. It is interesting that they came for him, maybe to take him home.

But he turns the family table on them. He expands his notion of the family. Coming from God his father he proclaims that all around him are family to him – these are his mother, brother and sister. He will later teach them to pray, not *My* Father, but *Our* Father.

This is one of the central teachings of Jesus, that we are all brothers and sisters, because of our Father in heaven. From this truth that Jesus felt so strongly came much of his preaching – to treat each other as family .

This follows on from the debate about good and bad religion of earlier weeks. The best of religion treats us all as brothers and sisters because of God. Our first and last belonging is that we belong to God – we come from God and go to God.

There will often be conflict in Jesus' family about him. His first family did not take easily to his new family – his disciples. Only at Pentecost around the mother of Jesus would both families unite.

His words are words to us today – he looks around at us and sees all of us as his brothers and sisters. This will make a difference as to how we see each other.



*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/>

*Don't get discouraged;  
it is often the last key in the bunch  
that opens the lock.*

**40 HOUR ADORATION**  
St. Paul's Church will be **facilitating a 40 Hour Adoration commencing this Friday 7th of June at 4.30pm and ending with 8.30am Mass on Sunday 9th of June.**

This is an opportunity for people to attend at any time, for Silent Prayer and Reflection Members of the Parish Pastoral Council will be present to offer support. Please inform family and friends who may wish to attend.

**KILBARRY CEMETERY BLESSING OF GRAVES**

will take place this Sunday 9th of June at 4pm. All families welcome.

**THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION** will take place this weekend, 8th and 9th of June. Thank you for your continued generous support.

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

Will take place on 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.

**LOST**

If anybody found a Mobile Phone in or around St Paul's Church on Wednesday please drop it in to the Parish Office. Many thanks.



**LIGHT OF HOPE DIOCESAN MISSION 2024 12TH - 16TH JUNE**

at locations across the diocese: Meet & greet with Catholic Christian Outreach Mission Team at Parish Masses, music, testimonies and talks, prayer, Lightfever events, Encounter event for Young Adults and more. Special training sessions for anyone involved in ministry & mission in our parishes and Diocesan Pilgrim Walks in Mount Melleray. See full Schedule on Church Notice Boards. More info at [www.waterfordlismore.ie/mission2024](http://www.waterfordlismore.ie/mission2024)

**DIOCESAN PILGRIM WALK 2024**

Mount Melleray, Sunday 16th June. Assemble for prayer with monks at 2pm followed by four options for walks, as well as opportunities for personal and guided prayer, and music. For more info: [www.waterfordlismore.ie/mission2024](http://www.waterfordlismore.ie/mission2024)

**"HOW TO SHARE YOUR FAITH WITH OTHERS" TRAINING SESSIONS**

running as part of the Light of Hope Diocesan Mission in June. Participants are given easy-to-learn tools and methods to reach out to others which transform their own and others' spiritual lives. Donation only.

Saturday 15th June: St John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill, 2.30 - 5.30pm.

For more information and dates for these events email [events@waterfordlismore.ie](mailto:events@waterfordlismore.ie)

**THANK YOU**

to all our Distributors who once again helped with the delivery of the June Collection Envelopes throughout the Parish.

**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

**SMALL WONDERS**

Having moved recently into grandmother mode I'm out of step with the parents of children sitting exams in the month of June. One June I watched an elegant grandmother sitting in a café, waiting for her granddaughters. They arrived wearing green school uniforms and looks of exam weariness. She stood up and enfolded them in large hugs and ordered hot chocolates with marshmallows on top.

We can do very little as parents as grandparents: we can't live their lives for them: we can't sit their exams; we can't expect them to be like us; all that matters is for them to be themselves and to like themselves. But we can offer hot chocolate and hugs, and sometimes that's enough.

*Anne Thurston*

*Small Wonders (Veritas Publications)*

**AN EXAM PRAYER**

God stay close to me today  
Guide my study and light my way.  
Ease my nerves and comfort me  
With peace and love so tenderly.  
May I remember the things I need  
And understand all I study and read.  
May I strive to give my best  
And do myself justice in each test.  
And if there are times that I feel at sea,  
Help me to trust that you're here with me.  
Amen.

**God of wisdom:**

guide me as I choose questions and in the way I answer them.

**God of peace:**

keep me calm so that I will do the best that I can.

**God of understanding:**

help me put all of this into perspective.