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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/buttlerstown> and 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

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JIMMY GAUL (BR)
& his sister MADGE DOYLE (BR)
EILEEN STAFFORD
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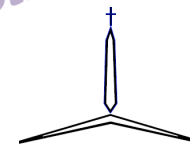
BUTLERSTOWN

PAUL FAN

May they Rest in Peace



Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



15th of September, 2024 - TWENTY-FOURTH 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.'

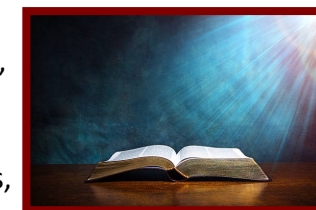
Losing and Finding

Giving up is part of life – you give up your time and money for your children and grandchildren. Parents say it was worth it for the joy in their faces. You want to do more study and know you have to leave some leisure aside that you like. In sport we sacrifice a lot to train and to do well. But something else comes through for us when we give up. If it's real and true we get back a lot. It seems strange for Jesus to say – lose your life to save it. He's talking about losing good things, to get better.

This can be a big challenge in a culture today that is very 'me' conscious. We can find that personal concerns take total precedence, without enough care for others. But as long as one person on this globe is hungry or homeless or seeking refuge, the work of Jesus is never done.

Losing life and saving life with Jesus is a call to community, to neighbourhood and the world, to make our part of the world a better place.

My own life may be my main concern, my circle of care may extend just as far as myself, ignoring care in a sustained way for the stranger or the outcast, then I am called to the challenge of the gospel to lose selfishness, and find the generosity given in my heart by God.



Donal Neary SJ

Be at Peace

*Do not look forward
to what might happen tomorrow:
the same everlasting Father
who cares for you today
will take care of you
tomorrow and every day.
Either He will shield you
from suffering
or He will give you
unfailing strength to bear it.
Be at peace, then,
and put aside all anxious
thoughts and imaginings.*

*True love is self-sacrificing because it is
about making choices, and some of these
will always be made at personal cost to
ourselves.*

*In the name of the God of costly love
we take up the daily burden
of being open to costly choices.*

*In this way we too will
be broken,
but broken
as bread is broken,
in order to be shared.Lavinia Byrne*



OUR MASSES CONTINUE TO BE LIVE STREAMED AND BROADCAST ON THE RADIO.

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

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/>

TEA AND COFFEE AND A CHAT

in St. Paul's Parish Centre at 10.30am each Wednesday morning after Mass. **All are very welcome to come along.**

 **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/>

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**DIOCESE OF WATERFORD & LISMORE
VISIT OF THE RELICS OF ST. BERNADETTE
CATHEDRAL OF THE
MOST HOLY TRINITY
WITHIN, WATERFORD
TUESDAY 17TH
& WEDNESDAY 18TH
SEPTEMBER**



The relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to Ireland for the very first time, visiting every diocese in the country. This very special event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts of Lourdes in their diocese.

Schedule below:

Tuesday 17th September:

- 1- 2pm: Time for Schools
- 2 - 3pm: Quiet Time
- 3 - 4pm: Welcome Liturgy and Water Ritual
- 4 - 6pm: Quiet Time
- 6 - 6.30pm: Rosary
- 7 - 8pm: Mass
- 8 - 9.30pm: Quiet Time

Wednesday 18th September

- 9.30am: Quiet Time
- 10.30am: Mass
- 11.30am: Quiet Time
- 12.30pm: Rosary

LECTIO DIVINA resumes on the 17th of September. Each week, a group gathers to read the coming Sunday's gospel, pray, and enjoy a cuppa. Come as often as you like – at either time that suits. We meet **TUESDAYS** from 2:30-4:00pm at St. John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill and **THURSDAYS** from 7:30-9:00pm at Sacred Heart Convent, Cedar Lodge, Newtown Rd. For information ring Sr. Kathryn 087 404 2784

FREE BEGINNER SMARTPHONE CLASSES

Access IT and Browns Road Library are pleased to offer Free Beginner Smartphone Classes starting on Wednesday, 25th September from 10am to 12pm and running for 7 weeks. Registration is required so contact us to book on (051) 849 614 or email brownsroadlibrary@waterfordcouncil.ie

We can all find it easier telling people who we think they are rather than listening to them trying to tell us who they really are.



In particular, we can struggle to hear the story of someone's brokenness, especially when the person speaking matters a great deal to us and has become very significant for us. No one wants to see a friend or a loved one suffer. Peter had left everything to follow Jesus. He wasn't able to hear Jesus talking about himself as a broken, failed, rejected Christ or Messiah. It was really only after the resurrection that Peter and the disciples were able to come to terms with Jesus' death as a rebel king on a cross.

It can be a struggle for us to accept failure and brokenness in others. That may be because we struggle at times to accept our own brokenness and failures. Jesus could accept his own pending experience of rejection, failure and brokenness and he could talk about it to those closest to him, because he trusted that God his Father would make him whole again. He believed that out of his suffering and death God would bring new life for himself and for others. Because he could accept the painful reality, he was at home with the suffering and brokenness of others. The broken, the rejected, the failures of this world, flocked to him, and, in his presence, they began to become whole again.

Fr Martin Hogan,

REFLECTION *Mark 8:27-35*

As Christians we pray daily using the words Jesus taught us: '

Thy Kingdom come.'

When we do this we are saying that we want the world to be the way God wants it. In other words 'a place of peace and justice where no-one suffers through poverty, war or oppression. ' If this is what we want, then we must live in a way which helps to bring this about, we must be committed to change. Such a choice might leave us like the Servant in the first reading, facing abuse and insults from those who would prefer to leave things as they are. This is what Jesus is talking about in today's gospel: taking up our cross to follow him does not mean we are to go looking for suffering; rather it means accepting that choosing the way of God's kingdom will cost us.

In short, faith without works is dead!

Sean Goan

**ST. ELISABETH CONVENT
MINSK, BELARUS - CRAFT SALE**

On Monday the 16th of September at 10am the Sisters will be in St Paul's Church Porch with a stall of beautiful icons and souvenirs for sale.

WISDOM

Everything we say should go through three selves.

First, to see if it is true....

Second to see if it is kind....

Third to see if it is necessary....

It is not who is right is important, but what is right is important.

