

PARISH INFORMATION

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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. 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.

WHEREVER WE FIND OURSELVES,

God has a reason
for placing us there.
He is working on us
His masterpiece.
Even in
our difficult trials,
God has His hand upon our lives .



ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

CATHERINE (DOLLY) CLEERE
EDWARD READE
MICHAEL SINNOTT (Birthday Rem)
PHILIP SINNOTT (Birthday Rem)
THOMAS & CATHERINE O'CONNOR
& their sons TOM & PAT
GEORGE DROHAN (Birthday Rem & A)
KATHLEEN & MARTIN O'BRIEN
STEPHEN DUNDON
THOMAS HENRY OATES
who died recently
BRIDIE WALSH
THOMAS POWER
MARY WHELAN (Birthday Rem)

BUTLERSTOWN

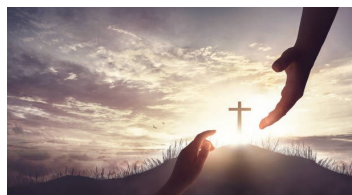
THOMAS (TUCKER) POWER

May they Rest in Peace

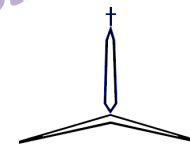


SMALL DEEDS DONE
ARE BETTER
THAN GREAT
DEEDS PLANNED

Peter Marshall



Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



22nd of September, 2024 - TWENTY-FIFTH 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.'

In this way we are 'for Christ'.

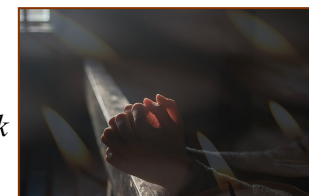
Mark 9:30-37

You could see Jesus in today's gospel as a pessimist. He looks ahead with his disciples and talks about his suffering and death. Maybe they had little idea that this would happen; it was so demanding of them that they forgot later that he said he would rise from the dead.

Somehow Jesus knew what his fate would be – that his commitment to his Father's mission would lead to his death; he also believed that his Father would not abandon him but he would be raised. He was a realist and a Man of faith. He was neither pessimist nor optimist; he was a man of hope. His call to us is to enter into the fullness of our lives and of our lives together. So he also calls on his followers to serve; that the place of honour might be last at the table; and the last would be first.

We know of so many people who are with Jesus in unnoticed ways. Pope Francis in Gaudete et Exsultate writes:

Very often holiness is found in our next-door neighbours, those who, living in our midst, reflect God's presence. Answering the call to serve rather than be served is in the ordinary of family and work life, of helping others, of caring for those around us. In this way we are 'for Christ'.



Donal Neary SJ

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/>

VISIT OUR WEBSITE
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LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION
ST. PAUL'S CHURCH : €1,968

THANK YOU

**ST. PIUS OF PIETRELCINA (PADRE PIO),
FEAST: 23 SEPTEMBER**

Whatever fears we have in life can be forgotten with the name of Jesus.
If anxiety or worries cloud your mind, remember that Jesus is more than any of our fears. The promise of His love, His mercy is more than anything



REFLECTION

Today's readings are dealing with '*wisdom*' but from different perspectives.

In the first, people who are caught up in themselves want to be rid of the wise person because his life points up the emptiness of their own.

In the second, we see the consequences of choosing to live by the wisdom of God. The wise person is not necessarily rich, popular or successful and while these maybe the values which are esteemed in our modern culture they do not compare with being at peace with ourselves. This is the fruit of wisdom and is a gift to be prayed for with all our hearts. In the gospel, Jesus offers us the wisdom of the cross which focuses on our call to become like Jesus, the last of all and the servant of all.
Sean Goan

FREE BEGINNER SMARTPHONE CLASSES

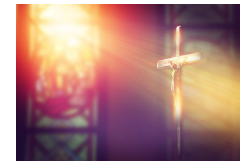
Access IT and Browns Road Library are pleased to offer Free Beginner Smartphone Classes starting on Wednesday, 25th September from 10am to 12pm and running for 7 weeks. Registration is required so contact us to book on (051) 849 614 or email brownsroadlibrary@waterfordcouncil.ie

**MEDUGORJE HEALING MASS
AT MOUNT SION CHAPEL, BARRACK STREET
ON WEDNESDAY NEXT 25TH OF SEPTEMBER**
starting at 7pm with Rosary,
Holy Mass 7.30pm. Celebrant: Fr. John
Music Ministry: Medugorje Choir

**PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL
WATERFORD INVITES YOU TO ATTEND
OPEN NIGHT** on Thursday 3rd of October at 7pm.
Enquiries/Bookings—051 376584 or email office@preswaterford.ie

**TARSUS SCRIPTURE SUMMER SCHOOL
ST JOSEPH & BENILDUS PARISH, WATERFORD**
We will present 4 recorded lectures by Dr Jesse Rogers, Dean of Theology at St. Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth.
Praying the Psalm- on Tuesday 1st, 15th, 29th of October and Tuesday 12th of November from 7.30 to 9pm.
Come along or book at the Parish Office 348007

Achievement, affirmation, recognition, and status are attractive and enjoyable when they come our way. Yet we can be in trouble if, like the disciples, we become caught up in pursuit of them. Jesus tells them that true greatness lies in service of others.



Glance at the sun.
See the moon and stars.
Gaze at the beauty of Earth's greenery .
Now think what delight God gives to humankind.
But we are to work with it.
For without it we cannot survive.
Meditation from Hildegard of Bingen

WORDS OF WISDOM.....

As you begin to live in the present moment,
you will experience a subtle but profound change.
Your worrying about the future will cease.
Life isn't about what happens to us.
It's about how we perceive what happens to us.

REFLECTION

"Faith without good works is dead".
So says the apostle St. James in one of the most important sayings in the New Testament.

A watch that has a gold chain but which does not tell the time is worthless.

A fruit tree which in spring is full of blossoms and leaves, but when autumn comes has no fruit, is only taking up space.

It is the same with faith.
A faith that does not lead to works of love such as kindness, compassion, forgiveness is false and useless and dead.

Mother Teresa puts it like this:
"If we believe, we will love.
If we love, we will serve".
Is it as simple as that.