

## PARISH INFORMATION

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Parish Secretary Maura Cooney 357730  
Open: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
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.

## PRAYER FOR A FAMILY

Lord, bless our family,  
all of us now together, those who are far away,  
and all who are gone back to You.  
May we know joy,  
and may we bear our sorrows  
in patience.  
Let love guide our understanding  
of each other.  
O Family of Jesus, watch over our Family. Amen.



## ANNIVERSARIES

### BUTLERSTOWN

MARY CAHILL  
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

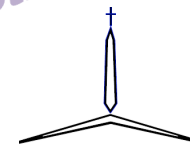


## ANNIVERSARIES

### ST. PAUL'S

JAMES PHELAN (MM)  
TONY DUNPHY  
ENA & TOMMY ARMSTRONG  
PADDY MEANEY  
FRANKIE & LOUISE STARMAR  
BRENDAN BURNS  
ALMA DOYLE  
LILY & PADDY KENNEALLY  
MICHAEL & ANN KENNEALLY  
LIZ PHELAN KENNEALLY  
CASSANDRA STEPHENS  
SARAH NOLAN  
ELIZABETH (BETTY) GLYNN  
STATIA POWER  
JAMES HENNESSY  
BILLY GALVIN  
JAMES HAYES & his daughter  
MARY RYAN  
THOMAS CHESTER, his wife BABS  
And their daughter MARY  
BERNARD BRANNIGAN  
JOE NIXON (br) & ANDREW NIXON  
PATRICIA DINEEN  
JIMMY FANNING  
JAMES & BRIDGET LYNCH  
PATRICIA HEALY  
DAN COWMAN  
TONY MACKAY  
Also LIAM JACKMAN &  
MARY LONERGAN who died recently  
NOREEN DALTON  
MICHAEL O'DONOVAN  
GERARD O'DONOVAN  
MARGARET ELLIOTT  
HUGH & MAY O'HARA  
PATRICK & ANNIE RYAN  
& their daughters ELIZABETH & RITA  
& sons MICHAEL (Bomber) RYAN  
& PAT RYAN  
RITA O'MAHONY  
JIMMY GAUL  
MATTIE & NELLIE DUNPHY  
MAURA FAHY  
JOAN & JOHN GOULDING &  
deceased family  
DENISE LUCAS  
JOHN COAD  
TREVOR RYAN

# Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



26th of January 2025 - THIRD 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.'

## "MISSION STATEMENT "

Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Many organisations have a mission statement. A mission statement could be said to have a two-fold purpose. One purpose is to state clearly to those outside the organisation what is the primary aim of the organisation, its significant values, its vision for the future.

Another purpose is more internal, to help those within the organisation to stay focused and to live by the values that the statement proclaims. As we know, it is one thing having a mission statement and another matter to live by it.

In the opening paragraph of our gospel reading , we find Luke the evangelist's own brief mission statement. He declares to Theophilus, probably Luke's patron, why he is writing his gospel. Luke's mission in writing his gospel is to give people greater assurance about the faith in which they have been instructed. He is going to tell the story of Jesus in such a way that he will be able to confirm believers in their faith. That is what the gospel of Luke has been doing since it was written about fifty years after the death and resurrection of Jesus. It is many people's favourite gospel. If we did not have the gospel of Luke, we would not have such memorable parables of Jesus as the good Samaritan, the prodigal son, the rich man and Lazarus. We would not have the story of Jesus in the home of Mary and Martha or the story of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. Our faith would certainly be the poorer without Luke's gospel. Luke did what he said he would do in his mission statement.



Fr Martin Hogan, Curate in the parishes of Finglas, Finglas West and Rivermount

OUR MASSES CONTINUE TO BE LIVE  
STREAMED & 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/buttlertown>

You can also read our latest Newsletter at  
the above links.

RADIO: Morning Mass from St. Paul's  
Church on the Radio at 107.9FM

#### 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/>



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

To read our Newsletter and for all Parish  
News and Information  
<https://stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie/>

#### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH: €2.024

THANK YOU

#### ARE YOU FULFILLING SCRIPTURE?

The prologue to the Gospel of Luke is  
almost like the opening credits of a major  
blockbuster movie, there's something  
exciting about it. We don't really know  
who Theophilus was, possibly a patron of  
Luke's, but his name also means 'Lover of  
God' and in that sense this Gospel is  
addressed to all 'lovers of God'.

In the synagogue, Jesus is handed the  
scroll from Isaiah. It is one of the most  
powerful passages in the New Testament  
as Jesus sets out his mission, his manifesto.  
The uncomfortable truths contained  
within the passage cause the crowd to  
reject him. We know that in our world  
today good news has still to reach the  
afflicted, captives still await liberation, the  
oppressed are not free. So this is not a  
passage read in the past, it is very much  
alive, very much a vision for all to have  
and to work towards. Just as the scriptures  
are fulfilled in Jesus, they are also fulfilled  
in each of our lives. There are many causes  
we can be involved in, refugees, climate  
justice, homelessness, neighbourliness,  
community involvement. Wherever we  
are, in our own small ways, we can strive  
to make this dream a reality. Jane Mellett

*Lord, Joy is a gift meant for sharing  
To spread warmth and happiness around  
Bless me with a cheerful heart  
That looks at the bright side of life  
Bless me with a cheerful disposition  
With a ready smile on my lips  
To bring new life, hope and courage  
To the hearts of the weary and overburdened  
A smile costs nothing but creates much  
For it is something of no good to anyone  
Till it is given away.  
Should I meet someone too tired to smile  
Let me give him one of mine Amen.*



#### ANNUAL NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LISDUGGAN, MONDAY 3RD TO TUESDAY 11TH OF FEBRUARY

#### NOVENA TIMES

10.30am - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> (Bank Holiday)  
10.00am - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
Friday  
6.00pm - Saturday  
8.30am & 11.30am - Sunday  
10.00am - Monday & Tuesday

Monday Fr. Irenaeus Drewniak  
Tuesday Fr. Liam Power  
Wednesday Fr. Ger Langford  
Thursday Fr. John Harris  
Friday Fr. Dawit Tekle  
Saturday Fr. Ned Hassett  
Sunday Fr. Dawit Tekle 8.30am  
Fr. Pat Fitzgerald 11.30am  
Monday Fr. Richard O'Halloran  
Tuesday Bishop Phonicie Cullinan

The Blessing of throats will take place at Mass  
on the Feast of St. Blaise, Monday 3rd

On the final day of the Novena, 11th  
February, The Feast of our Lady of Lourdes  
and World Day of the Sick,

The Anointing of the Sick will take place  
for those who request it.

Envelopes for your Intentions are available  
at the back of the Church.

#### PARISH FAITH REP RECRUITMENT 2025

Do you feel called to help young people on  
their journey of faith? Join our growing team  
of Faith Reps across the diocese. We are  
looking for volunteers to train and be  
commissioned for two years to support young  
people in encountering faith in their parish  
or area, while being supported themselves by  
the Ascend Diocesan Team .

More information can be found at  
[www.waterfordlismore.ie/parish-faith-reps](http://www.waterfordlismore.ie/parish-faith-reps)  
**Application deadline:** Friday 21st February  
**Information Sessions:** Monday 10th February  
at 7.30pm (St John's Pastoral Centre,  
Waterford X91HW9D) and 17th February at  
7.30pm (on zoom) -  
email [youthministry@waterfordlismore.ie](mailto:youthministry@waterfordlismore.ie) or  
ring (085) 8623704 for more details.

#### MEDUGORJE HEALING MASS BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL MOUNT SION

Wednesday 29th of January  
Rosary 7pm Mass 7.30. Celebrant  
Fr. Bobby Power. All welcome.

#### THE PARISH - ST. PAUL'S, LISDUGGAN

The history of our parish has been  
published and is on sale after Masses in St  
Paul's, cost €10

#### ST. PAUL'S BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

MEETING Our next meeting will take place  
on Tuesday 4th of February at 10.30am in the  
Parish Centre. All are welcome to join us.

#### NEW SMART-PHONE CLASSES

are beginning in Browns Road Library on  
Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> January. Classes run for 7  
weeks on Wednesday 10am to 12pm. For  
information please ring (051) 849 614 or  
email the library at  
[brownsroadlibrary@waterfordcouncil.ie](mailto:brownsroadlibrary@waterfordcouncil.ie).