

PARISH INFORMATION

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Web: 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. 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.

BEATITUDES OF THE HEART

Blessed are the open hearted;
They will know what love is.
Blessed are the warm-hearted;
They will radiate goodness.
Blessed are the soft hearted; Their lives will be fruitful.
Blessed are those who set their hearts on the kingdom of God; Everything else will be given to them.
But alas for those whose hearts are closed;
They will neither be able to give nor receive.
Alas for those whose hearts are cold;
They will never know the warmth of true friendship.
Alas for those whose hearts are empty;
All goods in the world will not satisfy them.

Diocese of Ossory Lent Resources



ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

EILY (ELEN) GRIFFIN (MM)
ANNIE & GEORGE GALVIN
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JOHN TAYLOR
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NAN & RICHIE O'CONNOR
CATHERINE & PATRICK CORRIGAN
CATHERINE JOHNSTON
& her husband MICHAEL
THOMAS & MARY JOHNSTON
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MARY WHELAN

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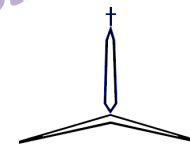
May They Rest in Peace



O God
You comfort us
in times of trouble
You strengthen us
in moments of weakness
You encourage us
In times of loss.
If only we turn to you
Amen



Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



16th of March 2025 - SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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.

SEEING THE SHORE

Florence Chadwick was the first woman to swim across the English Channel both ways. Back in 1952, she set out to become the first woman to swim from Catalina Island to the mainland of California, a swim of over 20 miles. She stepped into the waters of the Pacific Ocean on a foggy, chilly day, determined to accomplish her goal. She swam for more than fifteen hours, in a fog so dense she could hardly see the boats accompanying her. But after fifteen hours, she was ready to quit.

She asked to be taken out of the water. Her mother, in a boat alongside her, told her she was close, and assured her that she could make it. But Florence was physically and emotionally exhausted. She stopped swimming and was pulled out. It wasn't until she was on the boat that she realized that the shore was less than half a mile away. At a news conference the next day, Florence said, *'All I could see was the fog ... I think if I could have seen the shore, I would have made it.'*

It's amazing what we can endure when we know it will end, when we know for sure how much longer it will be. Seeing the shore can be the difference between swimming on and giving up.

Jesus' Transfiguration shows us the shore. It reminds us of the day when we will all be transfigured into heavenly glory. At this point of Lent, we are offered a glimpse of Easter. And it can give us the courage to face our sins and to face the cross, just as it did for Jesus and his closest disciples.



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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/buttlerstown>

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/>

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Butlerstown please click the
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<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: €2,234

THANK YOU

ARRANGEMENTS FOR LENT
PARISHES OF ST. PAUL'S & BUTLERSTOWN

St. Paul's Church

Mass at 8am and 10am each weekday
morning.

Stations of the Cross at 7.30pm each
Thursday evening

Butlerstown Church

Mass each Friday at 10.00am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after
Mass on Fridays



*God our Father,
You formed us from the dust of the
earth and brought us to new life in
Christ through the waters of Baptism.
We ask you to change our hearts
as we journey through these forty days
of Lent.*

*Help us to see Jesus in everyone we
meet, and to serve him in all persons,
especially the poor, the sick and the
lonely.*

*By your grace, may our prayers and
sacrifices this Lent help us grow closer
to each other and to you, as one family in
Jesus. Amen.*

DAILY EVENING PRAYER

God, our Father, this day is done.

We ask you and Jesus Christ, your Son,
that with the Spirit, our welcome guest,
you guard our sleep and bless our rest. Amen.

PARISH OF ST. PAUL'S & BUTLERSTOWN
ST PATRICK'S DAY
ARRANGEMENTS
MONDAY 17TH MARCH



MASS TIMES

8.30am St. Paul's Church

10.00am Butlerstown Church

11.00am - St. Paul's Church
(Please note St. Pauls Mass time change)

THE PRAYER OF ST PATRICK

May the Strength of God guide us.
May the Power of God preserve us.
May the Wisdom of God instruct us.
May the Hand of God protect us.
May the Way of God direct us.
May the Shield of God defend us.
May the Angels of God guard us.
Against the snares of the evil one.
May Christ be with us!
May Christ be before us!
May Christ be in us,
Christ be over all!

May your Grace, Lord always be ours,
this day, O Lord, and forevermore.
Amen.

THE REAL JESUS

Things are not always as they seem.
Underneath a church that I worked in, are a
series of underground passages that go on for
about a mile! People are the same - when
you are talking to someone and they tell you
they are very ill, or recovered from
addiction, you see more to them. Or you
may find out that someone you thought
little of visits an elderly person every week.
People are not always as they seem. The
mountain visit was the same: the apostles
saw Jesus - son of God, radiant in prayer,
and in the middle of it all the Passion was
announced. They saw the person behind the
face.

Donal Neary S.J.

LIGHTFEVER
CATHEDRAL OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
WATERFORD Monday March 17th 2pm to
6pm. Come in any time to light a candle and
pray. Confessions will also be available.

ENCOUNTER FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Tuesday 18th March 7.30pm at St John's
Church, Parnell Street,
Talk, Music, Prayer, followed by pizza and
chat! For 18 - 35 year olds. Newcomers
always welcome. More info on
www.waterfordlismore.ie

THERE WILL BE NO TEA IN THE PARISH
CENTRE ON WEDNESDAY 19TH MARCH
Back to normal the following week and we
look forward to seeing you all then.

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER
ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Every Thursday during Lent from 3.15pm to
4.15pm. You are welcome to join us in prayer
during this Holy Season.

CAFÉ THEOLOGY:

Talk: "Pornography is shaping the minds of
our children - what can we do?" Join Stella
O'Malley (psychotherapist, author) and
Patricia Casey (consultant psychiatrist &
author) for a vital discussion on how
pornography affects the mental health,
development, and relationships of boys and
girls. This essential talk provides clear,
actionable tools to protect children in today's
digital world. Thursday 20 March, 7 - 8:30
pm St John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill,
Waterford X91 HW9D

LIVING WITH HOPE: A JUBILEE YEAR TALK
BY ELMA WALSH

Talk by Elma Walsh, Mother of the late Donal
Walsh and founder of #LiveLife Foundation.
Thursday 27th March at 7.30pm in St John's
Pastoral Centre, John's Hill, Waterford