

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.

NEW LIFE

Just as mid-winter is the ideal time to celebrate the coming of Christ, the Light of the World, into our darkness, so Easter is celebrated at the height of spring when nature itself conspires to teach us the message of the feast.

Winter has passed. Summer is tapping at the window. Nature, stripped naked and shivering in arctic coldness, is dressing herself in her spring finery. The dull greys and browns of the landscape change to greens and yellows and whites. The warm sun begins to steal back hours from its enemy, the dark. The seeds and buds that lay stiff and cold in the frozen embrace of death, now spring to life again and proclaim to the world, "Death is not the end. There is life after death. There was for Christ. There is for us." And we all want to cry out " Alleluia!"

ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

ROBERT BARRY
PATRICK CROSSON
ANN O'LEARY
PEGGY CONNOLLY
NANCY TOBIN
CATHERINE KARNEY
BIDDY MOORE,

Her father JIMMY BYRNE

Her mother BRIDGET BYRNE (br)

Her brother JOHNNY (JAB) BYRNE

JACKIE BARRY
ESTHER (ESSIE) HAYES
ANN McGRATH
NANCY FLYNN
HUGH & MAY O'HARA
KATHLEEN FLYNN
SIMON IRELAND
WILLIAM KELLY
MARIE & BERNARD NOLAN
SUSAN MOLLOY
MICHAEL CUSACK

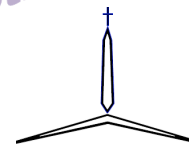
May They Rest in Peace



Mary Magdalene's encounter with the risen Christ is a powerful reminder that God meets us in our sorrow and calls us by name, inviting us to share in the joy of His Resurrection.



Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



20th of April 2025 - EASTER DAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

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. '

Easter Blessings

In this Holy Year of 2025, we want to wish you the joy of the Resurrection upon which our Christian faith is founded. It is for this reason that we are 'Pilgrims of Hope', and 'tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel'. Those seeds are love, justice, joy, peace, hope, service, reconciliation, mercy and thanksgiving. We are believers, servants of life, now and in eternity, looking to the future with trust and confidence.

We want to thank you for your faithful witness and quiet service. To quote St. Paul, writing to the Philippians: *'Brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—fill your minds with these things.... and the God of peace will be with you.'*

May this Holy Year bring many graces to you and all the human family. Happy Easter!

Sr. de Lourdes, Fr. Dawit, Fr. Pat
& All the members of our Parish Pastoral Councils.

Prayer For The Easter Virtues

Lord, the resurrection of Your Son
has given us new life and renewed hope.
Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal.
Grant us wisdom to know what we must do,
the will to want to do it, the courage to undertake it,
the perseverance to continue to do it, and the strength to complete it.



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/butlerstown>

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
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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: €2,097

THANK YOU

EASTER ARRANGEMENTS PARISHES OF ST PAUL'S & BUTLERSTOWN



Easter Sunday 20th April:

6.00am Dawn Mass at the Grotto,
Butlerstown Church to mark the
Holy Year

8.30am Mass in St. Paul's
10.00am Mass in Butlerstown
11.30am Mass in St. Paul's

Easter Week 21st to 25th April:

Mass each morning in St. Paul's at 10.30am
(except Thursday)

Friday April 25th: Mass in Butlerstown at
10.00am

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY 27TH APRIL, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at
2.30pm. Chaplet of Divine Mercy Prayer at
3pm. , Reconciliation, Holy Mass, Blessing
with Relic. Chief Celebrant: Fr. Dawit
Music by Music Ministry.

OPENING THE BIBLE

An Introductory Course for Beginners who
would like to learn more about the Bible.
Tarsus Scripture School Presents: Six Videos
online at www.tarsusscriptureschool.ie or
join us to view and discuss together. First
weekly session in the Power Room, Edmond
Rice Centre, Barrack Street on Monday 28th
April 11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. All welcome.

**ST. PAUL'S GENERAL KNOWLEDGE TABLE
QUIZ** on Tuesday 29th of April at 8pm in
St. Paul's Parish Centre. Teams of 4 €20
Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.
Tea/Coffee All are welcome.

**ECOLOGY OF THE SUIR ESTUARY
A PRESENTATION BY DR. EDDY
FITZGERALD** - Dr. Eddy Fitzgerald presents
a talk entitled the Ecology of the Suir
Estuary, in the Fr. Rufus Halley Hall
Butlerstown on Wednesday 30th of April at
7.30pm. Refreshments will be served. All
are welcome.

CANONISATION OF CARLO ACUTIS:

On Sunday 27th April, Pope Francis will
canonise the first millennial saint, Carlo
Acutis, a young Italian who died in 2006 at
the age of 15 but whose life and legacy have
been an inspiration to millions. Carlo was a
regular teenager enjoying soccer, computer
games and chilling with his friends. Carlo's
great loves were Jesus and Mary, and he
combined this love with his other passion,
technology, designing a website to catalogue
Eucharistic Miracles from all over the world
to draw others closer to Jesus. Let's pray to
Carlo for his intercession for the young
people of our parish and our diocese. For
more on his life check out [https://
waterfordlismore.ie/youth-ministry/carlo-
acutis/](https://waterfordlismore.ie/youth-ministry/carlo-acutis/)

AT THE TOMB'

The dawn broke softly, the world still grey,
She came with spices, knelt to pray.
The stone was rolled, the tomb lay bare,
Her heart cried out in deep despair.

'Why seek the living among the dead?'
The angels spoke, her spirit fled.
Then turned she, heard her name, so clear,
A voice she loved, a voice so near.

'Rabboni!' cried her heart, her soul,
The One she sought had made her whole.
The tomb was empty, death undone,
For Christ had risen, the Morning Sun

Anon

THE FIRST EASTER PARADE was just a
crowd of women going down the street
where once they had sang Hosanna.
Another time they had gone with him to
death. Now its just themselves - two
Marys, Joanna and other women. The
parade was sombre, without the one they
followed - but they wanted to care for the
body with spices, using only the best.

And then it was all different. They saw no
body, which frightened them more than
any death could have. Then there were
angels with strange messages, but their
hearts believed quickly and they
remembered what he had said. Often, he
had talked of death and resurrection. He
was the sort of man for whom evil and
death could not be final.

They were then to go to the apostles, and
they were to find out that caring for
Christ's body now would be a different
thing. The women announced this divine
news to the men. This would have been
contrary to the culture at the time, but
Jesus went against a lot of beliefs and
prejudices.

Caring for the body of Christ now
means caring for each other. They would
spend the rest of their lives caring for the
new body of Christ, and we're the same in
caring and being cared for. The risen
Christ is in all of us.

We are his body. Not a word of God can
be spoken without human words. God
reaches us through each other.

The Easter parade now is made up of all of us
following our risen Lord, following life that
never dies, and the truth of the gospel that
can keep us going. This is the love of the
risen Lord, which is the lifeblood of the
Church.

Donal Neary S.J.