PARISH INFORMATION

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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 https://www.mcn.live/Camera/buttlerstown and https://www.mcn.live/Camera/buttlerstown and https://www.mcn.live/Camera/buttlerstown and www.stpaulsandbutlerstown. 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.

It is easy to love those who love you. It is easy to love your family and friends. It is easy to show goodness to those good to you. However, God wants more from us. He wants us to decide to love others, especially those who are unlovable. He wants us to be good to those annoying people in our lives. He wants us to treat right those who we feel do not deserve it. He wants us to love like Jesus did.



There is nothing impossible to God. There is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the power of God.

If you desire to be loved, love. If you desire to be forgiven, forgive. If you desire to be understood, understand.

Prayer is the key that opens the heart of God.

Hope is the anchor of the soul, the stimulus to action, and the incentive to achievement.

Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown

25th of MAY 2025 - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 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.'

God's Home

Making a home is a big opportunity of love for a husband, a wife and a family. They try to make it their own: pictures and memorabilia here and there make a home out of a house. It doesn't have to be perfect. The want others to be able to feel at home in their home also.

It is the same with Jesus. In our hearts and the depths of our personality he makes a home for himself and the Father. He asks for a loving and welcoming heart, not a place that is perfect, tidy and clean. To make a home is a work of love. Jesus' making of a home in us comes through our growth in development and love. The loving family, the loving friendship, the heart that cares for others, these are what make Jesus feel at home.

Is this a strange way of looking on God? We think of God in the power of nature and almost the maker of history. God seems to reject all this all powerful view of himself and makes himself accessible in the home of our hearts.

Home is a place of help. We look out for each other and the contented home is where each cares for the other. St Ignatius used say each day, '*Who can I help today?*'

Maybe we can make that part of the music of our homes. This is God helping through you, and it is God finding us and each other in love.

Donal Neary S.J.





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ST. PAUL'S

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JOSEPHINE FAHEY

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DANIEL HURLEY

PAULNIE BUTLER

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! <u>https://waterfordlismore.ie/resources/</u>

ST. PAUL'S PARISH COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND € 2,174 THANK YOU

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THE ANNUAL MAY DIOCESAN ROSARY

PROCESSION will take place this Sunday 25th of May, leaving Ballybricken Green at 3pm and proceeding to St. Saviours Church (Dominican) Bridge Street for the crowning of our lady. All are welcome especially those Children who received their first Holy Communion. The Barrack street concert band will perform on the Green from 2.30pm.

A SPECIAL MASS IN THE FRIARY CHURCH

WATERFORD for those affected by cancer, whether directly or indirectly, will take place on Tuesday evening, May 27th, at 7pm. The service will feature a blessing with the relic of St. Peregrine, known as the patron saint of cancer cures.

Attendees will also have the opportunity to receive St. Peregrine Holy Oil, and specially blessed candles will be made available on the night.

MEDUGORJE HEALING MASS

will take place Wednesday next, 28th of May in The Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Mount Sion. Starting with rosary at 7pm and Holy Mass at 7.30pm. Celebrant Fr Bobby Power All are welcome

NOTICE FOR DISTRIBUTORS JUNE COLLECTION

We would appreciate your help if you are available and willing to do so, with the delivery of the June Collection Envelopes in your usual areas. The collection will take place on the weekend of the 8th of June. **Butlerstown Deliveries**

will be available in Butlerstown Church from Friday 30th of May.

St Paul's Deliveries

will be available from the Parish Centre from Wednesday 28th of May. Thank you for your help.

GROTTO ROSARY AT THE LOURDES GROTTO, BELVEDERE

will take place every Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 6.30pm for the months of May through to September. All are welcome to join us to pray for world peace.

FREE SMART-PHONE CLASSES

Access IT will be running a series of free smart-phone classes in Browns Road Library from Wednesday 4th June; 10am - 12pm. Spaces are limited so book your spot today! Phone us on (051) 849 614 or email us at brownsroadlibrary@waterfordcouncil.ie.

CLASS RE-UNION SACRED HEART OF MARY CONVENT, FERRYBANK

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the Class of 1975. If you or someone you know left or was due to leave in 1975 please email ferrybank1975classreunion@gmail.com

FREE OPEN-AIR RECITAL EVENTS

You are invited to attend free open-air recital events taking place as part of this year's Blackwater Valley Opera Festival in Lismore, Dungarvan, Youghal, and Castlemartyr. Pre-booking is essential . Contact www.blackwatervalleyopera.ie

WHAT'S TO BECOME OF ME?'

There are times when we feel alone and we don't know what will happen to us. We could be stranded in a strange town with a broken-down car. Or our spouse has just died and our future looks bleak. You've lost your job and you have no idea what to do next.

At times like these it's natural for us to ask ourselves, 'What's to become of me?' How do we take care of ourselves in such moments? For us as Christians, the answer is clear. God wants us to trust in him. When we do, we will receive both the Holy Spirit and God's peace.

sermonsfrommyheart.com

PRAYER IN THE SQUARE

24-hour public adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, beginning with 12PM Mass on Sunday, 25th May, and concluding at 12PM on Monday, 26th May. This event will take place in the heart of our city, under a reverently prepared marquee in John Roberts Square. We will begin with a solemn Eucharistic procession from the Cathedral after 12 noon Mass on Sunday. Upon arrival at the Square, there will be continuous adoration, guided prayer, and quiet reflection through the day and night.

FR. COLM O'BRIEN SILVER JUBILEE SPECIAL REMEMBRANCE MASS

On Tuesday 3rd of June at 7.30pm in St. Paul's Church, we will celebrate a Mass to mark the silver jubilee of the late Fr. Colm O'Brien. Fr. Colm came from Belvedere Drive, he was Baptised and Confirmed here, he served Mass, and was also a Reader . Fr. Colm was ordained in St. Paul's on the 3rd of June 2000. He subsequently served in the parish of St. Peter and Paul's in Clonmel and in Holy Cross Parish, Tramore. Fr. Colm, through his short ministry, made a deep impression on all who knew him, especially the young.

FOLLOW THE DIOCESAN JUBILEE PILGRIM

TRAIL! In this Jubilee Year, the late Pope Francis invited us to be Pilgrims of Hope. The Diocese of Waterford & Lismore Pilgrim's Path Passport offers us an opportunity to be pilgrims in our own Diocese. Seven sites across the diocese have been chosen by the people of the Diocese as Jubilee Year locations for pilgrimage and can be visited in any order and at any stage throughout the year. Passports are available in Churches throughout the diocese or can be downloaded and printed

at <u>www.waterfordlismore.ie/ jubilee2025</u> where more information on each site is also available.