

## PARISH INFORMATION

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**E-mail:** [stpaulschurchwt@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulschurchwt@gmail.com)  
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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](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.

## POPE BENEDICT XVI'S PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS WRITTEN IN 2008

Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and role of grandparents. May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them. Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!

## ANNIVERSARIES

### ST. PAUL'S

JOHN TOBIN (Months Mind)  
KITTY O'NEILL nee COOPER  
EDDIE WALSH  
JOHN SWEENEY  
FRANK & GERARD CROWLEY  
MARGARET BUTLER  
GERALD O'MAHONEY  
MARGO COMMINS  
ANDREW NIXON (Birthday Rem)  
BRIDGET & JOSEPH MAHER  
& their daughter EILEEN MAHER  
ST. PAUL'S

ELLA SHANAHAN

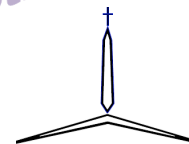
May They Rest in Peace



When you are worrying,  
try to pray instead.  
Worry creates stress  
Prayer creates peace  
Put your trust in God.



# Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



27th of July 2025 - SEVENTEENTH 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. '

WORLD DAY OF GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

## Trust in Prayer *Luke 11:1-13*

Often I pray to St Anthony and I find what I was looking for. I can't understand why but it brings up the question of praying for what we want and need. People pray hard for an intention; some pray for ages and are answered, some are not.

We are encouraged always to pray with hope and persistence, believing that we always get something. In the asking is the receiving, and we never leave prayer worse off than when we began.

For any time we give to prayer, we get something. We are transformed. St Ignatius of Loyola speaks of the effect of prayer - *an increase in faith, hope and love*. We may not get the specific intention but we always get the Holy Spirit. I have never left prayer the poorer than when I began. In the knocking at the door itself something is opened. In asking and seeking we get something. The first gift of prayer is the love of God. Other gifts follow.



Prayer increases our trust in God, that he wants our good and is with us in love.

So we pray for what we need and then leave the prayer with God, to be answered as he can. This is one of the greatest faiths of all.

Donal Neary SJ

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  
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issue of Check it out!

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

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DONATIONS If you wish to make a  
donation to Parishes of St. Paul's &  
Butlerstown please click the  
**Donate Button** on our website.  
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**VISIT OUR WEBSITE**

To read our Newsletter and for all Parish  
News and Information  
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*Grandparents hold our hands for just a  
little while, but our hearts forever.*  
**Anon**

27 JULY 2025 • WORLD DAY OF  
GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

*Taken from the Message of the Holy Father  
for the 5th World Day for Grandparents & the  
Elderly 2025.*

Our affection for our loved ones – for the wife  
or husband with whom we have spent so  
much of our lives, for our children, for our  
grandchildren who brighten our days – does  
not fade when our strength wanes. Indeed,  
their own affection often revives our energy  
and brings us hope and comfort.

These signs of living love, which have their  
roots in God himself, give us courage and  
remind us that “even if our outer self is  
wasting away, our inner self is being renewed  
day by day” (2 Cor 4:16).

Especially as we grow older, let us press  
forward with confidence in the Lord. May we  
be renewed each day by our encounter with  
him in prayer and in Holy Mass. Let us  
lovingly pass on the faith we have lived for so  
many years, in our families and in our daily  
encounter with others. May we always praise  
God for his goodness, cultivate unity with our  
loved ones, open our hearts to those who are  
far away and, in particular, to all those in  
need. In this way, we will be signs of hope,  
whatever our age. *From the Vatican, 26 June  
2025* LEO PP. XIV

*‘Grandparents can be very special  
resources. Just being close to them  
reassures a child, without words, about  
change and continuity, about what went  
before and what will come after.’*

*Fred Rogers*

*‘Because grandparents] are usually free to  
love and guide and befriend the young  
without having to take daily responsibility  
for them, they can often reach out past pride  
and fear of failure and close the space  
between generations.’*

*President Jimmy Carter*

CEMETERY MASSES

Our Cemetery Masses will take place as follows:

31ST JULY- LISNAKILL 7.00 P.M.

24TH AUGUST- TEMPLAR'S CEMETERY 3PM

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.

MEDUGORJE HEALING MASS

will take place on Wednesday 30th of July  
at The Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Mount Sion,  
Barrack Street.

Rosary 7pm. Holy Mass 7.30pm.  
Celebrant Fr. Bobby. All are welcome.

MIGHT-BE

The possibility, the ‘might be’ of the future, is  
our daily bread, why we forgive, and why we  
refuse to turn away. Some mornings that ‘might  
be’ is the only reason we have the will to get out  
of bed; because it might be different, it might be  
better, it might offer something new. The  
‘might be’ of the future is at the heart of every  
prayer we offer.

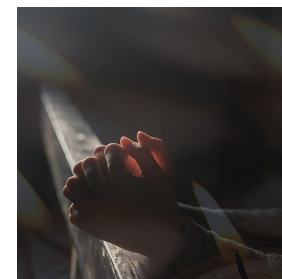
From Michael K. Marsh  
[interruptingthesilence.com](http://interruptingthesilence.com)

*Magic exists. Who can doubt it, when  
there are rainbows and wildflowers,  
the music of the wind and the silence  
of the stars?*

*Anyone who has loved has been  
touched by magic.*

*It is such a simple and such  
an extraordinary part of the lives we  
live.”*

*Nora Roberts*



**‘IF I HAD MY LIFE TO LIVE OVER ...**

I would have talked less  
and listened more.

I would have invited friends over for  
dinner even if the carpet was stained  
and the sofa faded.

I would have sat on the grass with my  
children and not worried about grass  
stains.

I would have cried and laughed less  
while watching television  
and more while watching life.

There would have been more ‘I love you’s’,  
more ‘I am sorrys’, but mostly,  
given another shot at life,  
I would seize every moment ...

look at it and really see it;  
live it and never give it back.’