

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.

ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

TOM CONNOLLY

KATHLEEN COWMAN

Her Parents CATHERINE & JOHN RYAN
& her brothers JACKIE, PADDY & WILLY

DANIEL COLLINS

PHYLLIS PHELAN

WILLIAM GRANT

SARAH DRONEY

FRANCIS KEHOE

SONNY SINNOTT (BR)

THOMAS O'REILLY

TOM O'SULLIVAN

ANN POWELL

LIZ CARROLL

DAVEY & ALICE HARNEY

JOE KELLY who died recently

MARGARET O'NEILL

& OWEN O'NEILL

LIAM KELLY (BR)

BUTLERSTOWN

MARY, JAMES & DENIS CULLEN

(Lr Ballycashin)

JOHN O'BRIEN

May they Rest in Peace.



God doesn't demand grand achievements
but faithful steps.

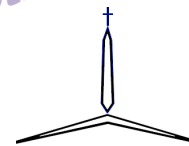
Today, trust Him with what little faith
you have, .

The smallest seed of faith, planted in
surrender, moves heaven's hand.



Often I can ask God
for my needs
but can forget
to give thanks.
To give thanks
completes the circle,
and I am enriched
by doing it.
I ask you Lord to teach
me to practice gratitude.

Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



5th of October 2025 - TWENTY-SEVENTH 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. '*

Gift of Faith

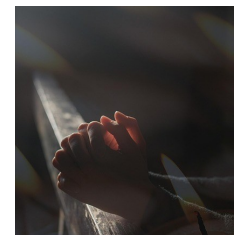
(Luke 17:5-10)

Interesting that Jesus says we don't need much faith - only the size of a mustard seed, the smallest of all seeds in his time. Does he really mean this?

He seems to be saying that faith does not depend on us. It is a gift from God which grows throughout our lives '*fanned into a flame*', as in the second reading. We need to have confidence in the faith we have rather than always berating ourselves that it is little. In the Christian parish and community there is often more faith than we realise.

In a parish,

- *we have people who serve the sick and the poor;
- *those who pray a lot and those who worship;
- *those who reflect on faith and question.
- *There are the families where faith is expressed in many different ways.
- *Every moment where we come in touch with the world beyond ourselves, whether directly religious or not, is a moment of faith.



We can trace the history of our own faith and remember personal moments that strengthened the faith. These can be varied - prayer, love, works of justice, the beauty of creation, times of illness and death, sacramental life. What is important is that they are personal moments between us and God, which are privileged times of the growth of the mustard seed of faith.

Donal Neary S.J.

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/>

Jubilee Year information:

www.waterfordlismore.ie/jubilee2025



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/>

WEEKLY COLLECTION:

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH €1,766
THANK YOU

SEASON OF CREATION

St. Paul's Parish will celebrate this event at the
**11.30am Mass on Sunday 5th October. Come
and be with us on this special occasion.**

From September 1st to October 4th, we will
observe the Season of Creation, a time to
reflect on God's gift of nature and our calling
to live in harmony with it. This year's theme,
"Peace with Creation", reminds us that true
peace is not just among people but also with
the earth and all living beings.

ST. PAUL'S BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

MEETING will take place in St. Paul's Parish
Centre at 10.30am on Tuesday the 7th of
October. You are welcome to come and join
us.

FREE SMART-PHONE CLASSES

Browns Road Library is pleased to welcome
back Access IT for a series of smart-phone
classes starting in October. Classes will run for
seven weeks every Wednesday starting on
Wednesday, 15th October. Topics will include
getting to know your smartphone, phone
security, going online etc. This class is suitable
for beginners and aims to take the mystery out
of your device! Classes are free but places book
up fast so be sure to secure your spot by
phoning Browns Road Library on (051) 849
614 or send an email
to brownsroadlibrary@waterfordcouncil.ie.

A TALK ON THE HISTORY OF OUR LADY OF

WATERFORD: A Jubilee of Marian Spirituality
Celebration: Cormac Begadon Ph.D.
(University of Durham) **Thursday 16th
October** at 7pm. St John's Pastoral Centre,
John's Hill, Waterford X91 HW9D.

PRAYER TO THE GUARDIAN ANGELS

O most faithful companion and blessed spirit,
chosen by the Heavenly Father to walk beside
me through all the joys and trials of my earthly
life, I thank you from the depths of my heart
for your constant protection, gentle kindness,
tender caring, and selfless love.

I am forever grateful for the countless blessings
and benefits you have obtained for me by your
devoted intercession.

O holy Angel, ever-vigilant guardian, watch
over me while I sleep and when I wake.

May your consoling presence bring me peace
and dry my tears when I am sad or troubled.

Avert all dangers that threaten my body and
soul, and mercifully warn me of those yet to
come, that I may be spared from harm.

Obtain for me the grace of perseverance, that
sustained by faith, hope and love, I may at last
enter into everlasting life and, with you, behold
the face of God.



Life is a journey,
and for us who follow Jesus Christ
it is a journey to the fullness of life,
but also a journey of faith.

We live our lives
and walk in the footsteps of the Christ,
knowing that there is a great mystery
surrounding us,
but knowing also that we walk by faith
and not by sight.
Thomas O'Loughlin

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS (Luke 17:5-10)



- ♦ Faith can move mountains... well it can certainly get us moving. Recall a time when you were full of self-doubt about a project, or lacking trust in God. What was that like? Contrast this with times when you believed in yourself, or in the value of a project you had undertaken, or when your faith and trust in God was strong. What kind of faith have you found enriched your life?
- ♦ Faith is like a mustard seed, small, and sometimes we may be tempted to wait till our faith grows. Part of the message in the gospel is to use the faith we have, even though it may be small. That is how we grow in belief in ourselves and in God's presence in our lives. Does your experience back up this?
- ♦ It is nice when what we do is recognised and acknowledged, but the desire for recognition leaves us vulnerable. It is not always forthcoming. It can be helpful if our main motivation in doing something is the value of the action itself. Have you experienced this?
- ♦ This is particularly true when it comes to love. Love is a free gift. What is given lovingly is not given because of a claim. What is your experience of the freedom of love given and received?