

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.

ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

MARGARET O'NEILL
RITA KELLY
JOSIE COLLINS
NOEL KENNEDY (BR)
THOMAS BARR
JOHN PAUL McDONAGH

BUTLERSTOWN

EDWARD (TED) HARTLEY (MM)
KAY, JACK & DAMIAN RICHARDS
ALICE DOODY
KITTY CHEASTY
THE QUINN FAMILY (Holycross)
May they Rest in Peace.



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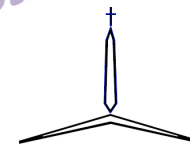
ST. PAUL'S

JAMES McGUIRE (Months Mind)
EDWARD O'LEARY
PADDY DOYLE
BETTY ELIZABETH WALSH
EDWARD WALSH
GERRY & CLIVE NOBLET
MICHAEL & SHEILA McCLOSKEY
JACK, BRIDGET & JOHN CORCORAN
KATHLEEN CROKE
BRIDGET & JAME HAYES
Their daughter MARY RYAN,
Her husband LIAM and son MARK
Members of the HANRAHAN & PRINCE Families

DAVID & CATHERINE O'LEARY
JOE & ANDREW NIXON
BILLY MORAN (Months Mind)
KELLY COLLINS
MARGARET & MAURICE CORCORAN
DANNY O'BRIEN
MARY CORCORAN, SHARON O'BRIEN
MICHAEL & JOSEPHINE O'BRIEN
EVELYN & MICHAEL LOHMUS
JIMMY O'NEILL & his parents
DAVID CULLEN
MARY & WILLIAM DOWER, their son
JOHN & his son NIALL
BERNADETTE KEOHAN
JAMES PHELAN

KITTY CHESTER & BILLY BRIGGS
MICHAEL & NELLIE BRAZIL
DAVID & PEG GRANT
NANCY, JOHNNIE & MICHAEL FLYNN
MARIA & PANSEY WALL
ANGELA & THOMAS CROKE & deceased sons & daughters
ANNIE & PATRICK HALLIGAN & deceased sons & daughters
ANN & MICHAEL HEAENE
PHYLLIS, ALICE & DAVEY HARNEY
CATHLEEN & TOMY DWYER & their son MICHAEL
MICHAEL O'CONNOR
JOE FITZGERALD
THE CORCORAN FAMILY
THE DEEGAN FAMILY
MAVIS & EDDIE ROCHE
LARRY O'NEILL
DOLL & HENRY BALL

Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



21st of December 2025 — FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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. '

CHRISTMAS

What we celebrate at Christmas embraces all of us, whatever our circumstances, whatever our story. The story told belongs to all of us. It is about the love of the Lord. This God wanted, and still wants, to be close to us; so close that he becomes one of us. This God knows us from the inside. He knows every season, mood and movement of the human heart.

Christmas is a time of great emotion. It touches chords of memory and feelings in a very special way. It excites wonder in child and adult, in different ways. Our experiences of Christmas goes through many seasons in the course of a life time.... As children, young adults, newlyweds, as parents, as people who have known loss and failure, as older people. But each of these experiences of Christmas has the power to give us new hope, joy and encouragement.

May this Christmas surprise us again with the joy of knowing that God is very close to us, and that he can reach us wherever we are.

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel,
You came to dwell among us long ago.
Freshen our vision so that we can recognise
Your dwelling within us and among us,
as we move hurriedly in this busy season
of the year.
May our lives be filled with love
for all those who come our way. Amen.*



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



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/>

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION,
ST. PAUL'S CHURCH **€1,784**
THANK YOU.

SINCERE THANKS TO ALL OUR
DISTRIBUTORS WHO HELPED US WITH THE
CHRISTMAS DELIVERY IN ST PAUL'S AND
BUTLERSTOWN AREAS.



THE GREATNESS OF OUR HUMANITY

Sometimes people expect something
extraordinary, or even miraculous
to happen at Christmas.
But when Christ came on earth,
He came clothed, not in the extraordinary,
but in the ordinary.
He came dressed in the cloak
of our weak, fragile, mortal humanity.
"They wrapped the baby in swaddling clothes,
and laid him in a manger".
Like an acorn that falls to earth,
silently and unheralded,
in a remote corner of the forest,
and which grows into a great oak tree,
so from those lowly origins, Jesus grew up,
to show us the greatness of our humanity.



Let me not wrap, stack, box, bag, tie, tag,
bundle, seal, keep Christmas.
Christmas kept is liable to mould.
Let me give Christmas away, unwrapped,
by exuberant armfuls.
Let me share, dance, live Christmas
unpretentiously, merrily, responsibly
with overflowing hands, tireless steps
and sparkling eyes.
Christmas given away will stay fresh —
until it comes again."



CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS PARISHES OF ST PAUL'S & BUTLERSTOWN

DECEMBER 24th CONFESSIONS

From 11.00am. to 1.00pm. IN ST. PAUL'S

DECEMBER 24th CHRISTMAS CAROLS

6.30P.M. IN BUTLERSTOWN

7.30P.M. IN ST. PAUL'S

FIRST MASS OF CHRISTMAS

7.00P.M. IN BUTLERSTOWN

8.00P.M. IN ST. PAUL'S

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

8.30A.M. IN ST. PAUL'S

10.00A.M. IN BUTLERSTOWN

11.30A.M. IN ST. PAUL'S

(Toy Mass – bring 1 huggy toy only!)

DECEMBER 26th

10.30 A.M. MASS IN ST. PAUL'S

12.00 Noon MASS IN BUTLERSTOWN.

DECEMBER 27th & 28th

Normal Weekend Schedule.

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

TUESDAY 6th of January 2026

10.00A.M. MASS IN BUTLERSTOWN

11.30A.M. MASS IN ST. PAUL'S

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER

for those in need will take place as usual at
12.30pm on Christmas Day at St. Joseph's
School, Parnell Street, Waterford.

This function has been running annually
without a break for well over 80 years.

Anyone, and particularly those who are far
from home, who would not otherwise enjoy a
Christmas dinner on the day, will be very
welcome—just turn up at 12.30pm. The dinner
is completely free to all attending. Time 12.30
to 2.00pm.

THE JUBILEE CLOCK St. Paul's Church, Lisduggan

*"This clock will stand as a witness
to the hours we've shared the laughter,
the labour, and the legacy of fifty years."*

Please pick up a copy of the updated
information leaflet in the Church.
Envelopes are also available for those who
would like to contribute .

We are inviting support from all who
would like to play a part in bringing this
unique landmark into being, in any way ,
great or small. Donations can be made at
the Church or online through the parish
website www.stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie
Please select Donate to Parish Funds,
under Donor Information/Add a Message -
please type Jubilee Clock.

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Loving Father,
Help us remember the birth of Jesus,
that we may share in the song
of the angels,
the gladness of the shepherds,
and worship of the wise men.

Close the door of hate and open the door
of love all over the world.
Let kindness come with every gift and
good desires with every greeting.
Deliver us from danger by the blessing
which Christ brings, and teach us to be
merry with clear hearts.

May the Christmas morning make us
happy to be thy children, and Christmas
evening bring us to our beds with grateful
thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus'
sake. Amen

Robert Louis Stevenson