

## 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](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.

Sometimes we come to life's crossroads  
We view what we think is the end;  
But God has a much wider vision  
And He knows that it's only a bend.

The road will go on and get smoother  
And after we've stopped for a rest,  
The path that lies hidden beyond us  
Is often the path that is best.

So rest and relax and grow stronger  
Let go, and let God share your load,  
And have faith in a brighter tomorrow  
You've just come to a bend in the road.

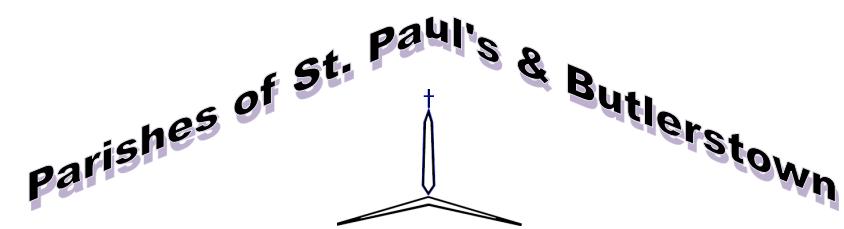
*Helen Steiner Rice (1900-1981)*

## ANNIVERSARIES

### ST. PAUL'S

ENA & TOMMY ARMSTRONG  
BERNARD BRANNIGAN  
LOUISE & FRANKIE STARMAR  
THE STARMAR & DANIELS  
FAMILIES  
SARAH NOLAN  
PADDY & LILLY KENNEALLY  
MICHAEL & ANN KENNEALLY  
LIZ PHELAN  
CASSANDRA STEPHENS  
ANTHON FINN  
WILLIAM SULLIVAN  
TREVOR RYAN (A & BR)  
TOMMY McLAWRENCE  
JOE & ANDREW NIXON & deceased  
family & friends  
RICHART TUBBRITT (MM)  
MICHELLE O'DONOVAN (MM)  
Her father MICHAEL O'DONOVAN  
GEARARD O'DONOVAN  
JIMMY FANNING  
PATRICIA HEALY  
JIMMY O'NEILL  
TAYLOR JAMES REGAN  
DAN COWMAN  
STATIA POWER  
JAMES HENNESSY  
BILLY GALVIN  
KITTY KENNEDY  
PAT COLFER  
PATRICIA DINEEN  
DENISE LUCAS  
JOAN & JOHN GOULDING  
May they Rest in Peace.

Lord Jesus,  
may everything I do  
begin with You,  
continue with Your help,  
and be done under  
Your guidance.



**25th of January 2026 — THIRD 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.'

## ORDINATION OF DAVID COONEY

### TO THE PERMANENT DEACONATE

At 3.00 p.m. on Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the Ordination of David Cooney to the Ministry of Deacon. As most of you will know, David has served in many ministries in our parish over the years. He will now serve in the ordained ministry of the Permanent Deacon to which he has generously offered himself. We pray every blessing upon him and his family as he celebrates this very special event. All are welcome to his Ordination Ceremony on January 25<sup>th</sup> in St. Paul's Church and to refreshments in the Parish Centre afterwards.

The Permanent Deacon is called to a ministry of service. Like priests and bishops, he receives the Sacrament of Holy Orders. At the same time he is an ordained person living in the lifestyle of a lay person. The deacon's service is threefold: service of the Word, service of the altar, and service of charity and justice. Like bishops and priests, the deacon is a member of the clergy, but he has a distinctive role. He helps the Bishop and priests in service to the People of God, proclaiming by his very life the Church's call to serve the needs of others.

David's ordination to the permanent Deaconate is the first in the history of our parish, literally a unique event for us. David becomes part of the continuous tradition of the diaconal ministry in the life of the Church, all the way back to St. Stephen, the first deacon. His call and response demonstrates the vitality of the living Church and the unfailing action of the Holy Spirit. May his life as a deacon bring him closer to God and his people. May his ministry bring the knowledge of God and the love of Christ to many people over the years to come.

David, on behalf of all our parishioners and friends, warmest congratulations to you and your family on your ordination. Every best wish for a fruitful and happy ministry.

- Fr. Pat, Fr Dawit, Sr. de Lourdes and the Parish Pastoral Council.

## ST PAULS CHURCH MASSES

As our church painting is now completed all weekday and weekend Masses are now taking place in the Church

## LIVE STREAMING AND RADIO BROADCAST

### 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:** 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/>

## THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH €1,866 THANK YOU

## SOCIAL FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS

### 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026

The first Mass in the newly built St. Paul's Church was celebrated on the 17<sup>th</sup> of February, 1972 and so, the Parish Pastoral Council has chosen that date to celebrate all the voluntary effort that now, and since then, has sustained the life of our parish. We have been truly blessed with the generous spirit of so many people who have served our church and parish community in a multitude of ways.

So, this is an invitation to all who are serving and have served in any way, in any and all of the ministries and services, to gather for a special Mass at 7.00 p.m. on February 17<sup>th</sup> and for refreshments afterwards in the Parish Centre.

### MEDUGORJE HEALING MASS

Will take place at Mount Sion Chapel Barrack Street on Wednesday 28th of January. 7.00pm Rosary, 7.30pm Mass. Celebrant: Bishop Phonsie. All very welcome.

### NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES

The Annual Novena to our Lady of Lourdes will take place in St. Paul's Church from Tuesday February 3rd to Wednesday, February 11th. Envelopes for your intentions are available at the back of the Churches

### GENERAL KNOWLEDGE TABLE QUIZ IN AID OF THE JUBILEE CLOCK FUND

will take place on Tuesday 24th of February in St. Paul's Parish Centre at 8.00pm. Teams of 4 €20. Teas & Coffees will be served. All are welcome.

## SONGS OF PRAISE 2026 AT THE CATHEDRAL

Building on the great success of the last two years, we are delighted once again to host this great event, which will take place on Sunday 8th February 2026 at the Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity Within, Waterford.

### MEDUGORJE PILGRIMAGE 26TH OF AUGUST TO THE 2ND OF SEPTEMBER

To avail of Early Booking Discount, book and pay a deposit before the end of January. Contact Maura & Ben Brown 087 1676383 OR 051 376552

### THE WAY.IE

**The Way.ie** is a new national platform for our Church, providing high-quality content about our Catholic faith for all ages. Take a look and share it with family and friends . You can also follow their content on Facebook, Instagram, Spotify and YouTube.

### 'NEED MORE NATURE' LISMORE PARK GREEN

Waterford City & County Council want to hear from Lismore Park residents as part of 'NEED MORE NATURE' a project to enhance spaces for nature in the Lismore Park Green (above AIB). The project could include further tree-planting, orchard areas, areas of natural meadow, or planting of native flowers for pollinators, placing of bird boxes, and signage to explain. These changes will bring direct benefits to mental health and wellbeing, along with improvements to biodiversity, air quality and climate change adaptations.

What would YOU like to see as part of this project? Ask at St Paul's Church for a form to send us your ideas or contact us at [cgill@waterfordcouncil.ie](mailto:cgill@waterfordcouncil.ie) . We will also be looking to work with members of the community on planting and other parts of the project, so we are looking to meet interested residents.

## 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](http://www.stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie) Please select Donate to Parish Funds, under Donor Information/Add a Message - please type Jubilee Clock.

### BOOK LAUNCH: LUKE WADDING. A LIFE: RELIGION, POLITICS AND CULTURE, 1588 -1657 BY BENJAMIN HAZARD.

Thursday 29th January, 6pm, St. John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill, Waterford, RSVP [ben.hazard@ucd.ie](mailto:ben.hazard@ucd.ie)

"Lord Jesus, as You called the fishermen by the Sea of Galilee,

You call me to follow You in my daily life. Give me the grace to 'leave my nets'—the distractions, fears, and pursuits that hold me back—and to follow You with a ready heart.

Help me to be a fisher of men and women, bringing Your message of hope to others. Transform my life as I embrace the light of Your Kingdom. Amen."