

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.

HELP US ENTER THE NEW YEAR

God of all time, help us enter the New Year quietly, thoughtful of who we are to ourselves and to others, mindful that our steps make an impact and our words carry power.

May we walk gently.

May we speak only after we have listened well.

Creator of all life,

help us enter the New Year reverently, aware that you have endowed

every creature and plant, every person and habitat with beauty and purpose.

May we regard the world with tenderness.

May we honour rather than destroy.

Lover of all souls,

help us enter the New Year joyfully, willing to laugh and dance and dream, remembering our many gifts with thanks and looking forward to blessings yet to come.

May we welcome your love.

In this new year, may the grace and peace of Christ bless us now and in the days ahead.

ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

MICHELLE BARRETT BR
ALICE MELAY
JIMMY TUBBRITT
MARGARET DOHERTY nee BARRETT

PATSY CONNOLLY
EDDIE O'BRIEN
PATRICK CREGAN

TOMMY DURNEY BR & ANNIV
& his wife MARY

THE DURNEY & QUINN FAMILIES

BERNADETTE CULLINANE

CHARLIE MEAGHER

MICHAEL FLYNN BR

MARGARET PEARL CONNORS

TONY DUFFY BR

LIZ WHELAN

BUTLERSTOWN

VERONICA O'BRIEN

May they Rest in Peace.



Lord,

Guide us in the days to come,
giving us courage to live
through this hour
and strength to meet the new
year.

May our memories become
joyful, our lives enriched with
friendship, and our journey
encompassed by Your
abiding love.

Amen.



11th of January 2026 — THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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.'

You are my beloved.

At his baptism Jesus heard the best words he could hear; You are my beloved. God led Jesus to John to hear these words.

One of us, one with us, he could now be one for us. Joy flooded his heart as he heard these words. Something happened for Jesus at that moment that only he could know - like bells ringing that only he could hear. Have you heard it in your life? At times we face the huge mysteries, love, beauty, friendship, birth, death. And we know in the middle of it all, that we are beloved.

Our call is to be fully involved in life and love. The Christian is called to be involved with others at the times of need, of depth and mystery. Jesus did that - plunging himself into our humanity and with all of us.

The feast of the Baptism is something new for all. The son of God is one of us. We have a new way of knowing God not just in the laws of old but in the new Spirit of Jesus.

So let the bells of love ring for us in God; and wherever we find it; let's ring bells of love for all the most needy of God's people. *Donal Neary SJ*

*Beginning here we glimpse the Three-in-one;
The river runs, the clouds are torn apart,
The Father speaks,
the Spirit and the Son Reveal to us the single loving
heart
That beats behind the being of all things
And calls and keeps and kindles us to light.
The dove descends, the spirit soars and sings
'You are beloved, you are my delight!'
In that swift light and life, as water spills
And streams around the Man like quickening rain,
The voice that made the universe reveals
The God in Man who makes it new again.
He calls us too, to step into that river,
To die and rise and live and love forever.*



ST PAUL'S CHURCH MASS ARRANGEMENTS

We are Redecorating !!

St Paul's Church is currently being painted.

Weekday Masses will take place in the Parish Centre connected to the Church.

The Church will be available for Weekend Masses and Funeral Masses.

OUR LIVE STREAMING AND RADIO BROADCAST IS NOT AVAILABLE ON WEEKDAY MORNINGS AT PRESENT

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**



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

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/>

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

18TH – 25TH JANUARY 2026.

To mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Evening Prayer will be celebrated in the Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity Within, on Sunday 18th January at 5pm. All are welcome.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2026

NORMAL LIVES, CALLED TO HOLINESS

Catholic Schools week begins on January 18th and will conclude on January 24th.

Resources can be found at: <https://catholiceducation.ie/catholic-schools-week-2026-catholic-schools-normal-lives-called-to-holiness/>

Catholic Schools Week 2026 celebrates the extraordinary call to holiness in the midst of ordinary life. Inspired by Pope Francis's reflection on Saint Carlos Acutis, this year's theme invites pupils, teachers, families, and parishes to explore the call to holiness as something both universal and accessible. Holiness is not for a few, but for all; not reserved for religious professionals or mystics, but for every student, teacher, parent, (and grandparent!) living each day in friendship with Jesus Christ. Catholic schools exist to form individuals who know that their lives have a purpose and a calling. This year's theme, "Normal Lives, Called to Holiness," resonates with the central conviction that education is a path not only to knowledge and maturity but to sainthood.

"Holiness does not mean performing extraordinary things, but doing ordinary things with love and faith."

—Pope Francis on Blessed Carlo Acutis

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

PARISH FAITH REP APPLICATIONS:

Would you like to make a difference for young people in your parish and be trained alongside other like-minded people? If you are someone over the age of 18 (no upper age limit), who has a heart for young people, upholds the teachings of the Catholic Church and can work as a member of a team, please speak to your Parish Priest about the role of Parish Faith Rep this year. More information on the role and the application and training process can be found on <https://waterfordlismore.ie/parish-faith-reps/> Information sessions will be held at St John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill, Waterford on 4th February @7.30pm and on Zoom on 12th February at 7pm.

Email youthministry@waterfordlismore.ie for more information. Applications close on Friday 20th February.

LECTIO DIVINA is back on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting from 13th January. We meet at St. John's Pastoral Centre on Tuesdays 2.30-4pm or at Sacred Heart Convent, Newtown Rd. on Thursdays 7.30-9pm. We pray with the next Sunday's gospel and end with a cuppa. Newcomers always welcome! Come as often as you wish. Queries? Sr. Kathryn 087 404 2784

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.

68TH WATERFORD AND LISMORE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

The 68th Waterford and Lismore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 3rd to 8th June 2026, led by Most Rev. Bishop Alphonsus Cullinan.

"The Diocese of Waterford and Lismore travel to Lourdes each year in June, taking over 100 sick pilgrims on a pilgrimage of faith and hope to Our Lady's Shrine. They are accompanied by doctors, nurses, handmaids, brancardiers, youth team, choir and many others who give freely of their time to help with the sick. The pilgrimage has been taking place for well over 50 years."

YOUTH ADORATION AT HOLY CROSS CHURCH, TRAMORE

Thursday 15th January from 7 to 8.15pm. For young people aged 13 – 25. Confession available.