

PARISH INFORMATION

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Web: www.stpaulsandbutlerstown.ie

Facebook: St Pauls Church Lisduggan.

Butlerstown Parish Facebook

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PRAYER FOR OUR PETS

(Feast of St Francis of Assisi)

In your infinite wisdom, Lord God, when You created the Universe You blessed us with living creatures.

We especially thank You for giving us our pets who are our friends and who bring us so much joy in life. Their presence very often helps us get through trying times. Bless my pet. May my pet continue giving me joy and remind me of Your power. May we realise that as our pets trust us to take care of them, so we should trust You to take care of us, and in taking care of them we share in Your love for all Your creatures. Amen

ANNIVERSARIES

ST. PAUL'S

TOM CONNOLLY
KATHLEEN COWMAN
& HER PARENTS
CATHEINE & JOHN RYAN
DANIEL COLLINS
MARGARET O'NEILL
OWEN O'NEILL
THOMAS O'REILLY
TOM O'SULLIVAN
LIZ CARROLL
SARAH DRONEY

BETTY ELIZABETH AN N CONNORS
LIAM KELLY (Birthday Remembrance)

BUTLERSTOWN

MAUREEN POWER

May they Rest in Peace

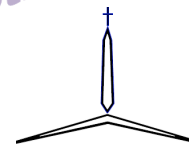


*I thank you, Mother Mary,
with all my heart, for giving
birth to Jesus in my heart.*

*May his love, light, peace
and truth, his holiness, pity
and faith, live in my heart,
so that I may always be a
light for my Lord and
Saviour.*

*May my heart always be as
humble as the place where
Jesus was born. Amen*

Parishes of St. Paul's & Butlerstown



4th of October 2026—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.'

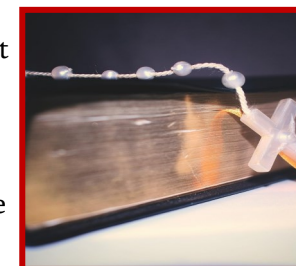
THE CORNER STONE

(Matthew 21:33-43)

A common image for Jesus is the garden or the vineyard, with comments on wasteland and fruitful land. In this story he looks at stones and points out that a rejected stone, if looked at again, could become the cornerstone of a building. He is referring to prophets who were rejected, and to himself. He would be, through his weakness and death, the essential stone of the new temple, the energy through death of the new community.

We live in a throwaway culture. Much of what could be used again is dumped to destroy the earth and the sea. We waste a lot of the daily bread of the people. Jesus asks us always to look again, to see the value of what we may throw aside, especially in our treatment of each other.

Everyone has a value in the eyes of God. Pope Francis noted: 'When adolescents feel unloved, they may turn to violence, hatred or delinquent behaviour. There is no such thing as bad children or evil adolescents, he said, but there are unhappy people.' (June 2107). He is asserting that with love and a community of acceptance, everyone has a place and has something to offer, like every stone is valuable to a new building, especially some we may first throw away.



Donal Neary SJ

PARISHES OF ST PAUL'S &
BUTLERSTOWN 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/>

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION
ST. PAUL'S CHURCH €1,723

COMBINED BANDS CONCERT AT ST. PAUL'S
CHURCH THIS SUNDAY 4TH OF OCTOBER.
Brass Band Extravaganza—3pm.

Donations to St Paul's Parish Funds

City of Waterford Brass, Dungarvan Brass
Band and St. Nicholas' Brass Band (Cork) will
come together to provide music for the
Sunday Mass at 11.30am in St. Paul's Church
this Sunday. They will then give a concert in
the Church commencing at 3pm. There will
be no entrance fee, but donations will be
accepted for the benefit of the St. Paul's Parish
Funds. All very welcome.

**SEASON OF CREATION
SPECIAL MASS AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH**

You are invited to join our celebration of the
Season of Creation which will take place at a
Special Mass at 11.30am on Sunday 11th
October. During this Mass we will take time
to be thankful for the abundant blessings we
have received during this past year – a
plentiful supply of fresh vegetables, fruit,
flowers, trees, water, air and the many happy
times we experienced. We will also give
thanks for the support of our faith and our
families and friends during times of loss and
sadness.

**OUR GENERAL KNOWLEDGE FUNDRAISING
TABLE QUIZ**

will take place on Tuesday the 13th of October
at 8pm in St. Paul's Parish Centre.

Teams of 4 €20

All proceeds going to the refurbishment of the
Parish Meeting Rooms. Prizes for 1st, 2nd
and 3rd teams. Tea & Coffee will be served.
All Welcome.

*'It is no use walking somewhere to
preach unless our walking is our
preaching.'* Saint Francis of Assisi

ST PAUL'S BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT MEETING
will take place on Tuesday 6th of October at
10.30am in the Parish Centre. You are very
welcome to come along.

**LUMEN CHRISTI YOUNG ADULT PRAYER &
SCRIPTURE GROUP**

Mondays 7 – 8.30pm. Ages 18 – 35. Luke
Wadding House, Lady Lane, Waterford X91
F44E. For more info: [info@waterford-](mailto:info@waterford-cathedral.com)
cathedral.com

A NEW SEASON OF ALPHA is about to start.

Alpha is a series of films and discussions
exploring the meaning of life. Whether you
have no faith, a little faith, a strong faith, or are
simply curious, you are very welcome! Each
evening we share a meal together, watch a
short film and then discuss it. Alpha begins on
Thursday 8th of October at 7pm in St. Joseph
and Benildus Parish Centre, Newtown and runs
for 8 weeks. Booking at
parishofficejbm@gmail.com or 051 348 077.

**ENCOUNTER FOR YOUNG ADULTS
(AGED 18-35)**

Friday 9th October at 8pm in St John's Church,
Parnell Street, Waterford. Talk followed by
adoration, music and prayer. Stay for pizza and
fellowship afterwards! More info:
www.waterfordlismore.ie/youth-ministry

SING OF THE LORD'S GOODNESS

Minella Hotel, Clonmel E91FY97. Saturday 31st
October, 10.30am – 1.30pm (Registration at
10am). Cost: €15 (includes your music book).
This event is for all choirs and their leaders
who help us celebrate our liturgy. Facilitator:
Dominic Finn (Choir Director, Cobh
Cathedral). Please book your place ring 051
874199 or email
pastoralcentre@waterfordlismore.ie

**SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS
OF THE GOSPEL (MATTHEW 21:33-43)**

The target audience of this parable are the
Jewish chief priests and elders, portrayed
here as rejecting Jesus and his teaching
and, as a consequence, losing out on what
God was offering them. It is a story of
opportunity for life presented and rejected,
and they lose out in the process.
How important have you found it to
recognise and accept opportunities for
development, and new life when these
were presented to you?

The parable is also a cautionary tale about
the destructive effects of greed – doing
violence to the rights of others which
eventually destroys the greedy themselves.
What attitude towards possessions helped
you to be at peace with yourself and with
others?

The vineyard of the Lord is an image for
God's people. As we look at the vineyard
we have been given, we can ask ourselves
'are we good tenants?' Recall times when
you have been a good tenant and reached
out caringly for those around you.

John Byrne OSA

BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS

We invite you to join us for four
presentations from Tarsus Scripture School,
Maynooth on Wednesdays October 14, 21,
28 and November 4, from 7.30pm to 9pm
in St. Benildus Parish Centre, to discover
the themes of reconciliation, peacemaking.

*Being Christian is not the result of an
ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the
encounter with an event, a person, which
gives life a new horizon and a decisive
direction.'*
Pope Benedict XVI (DCE 1)