

Parish of St. Joseph & St. Benildus and St. Mary's Newtown Road, Waterford City, Ireland



NEWSLETTER

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Prisoners' Sunday

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A priest is available to help you
in Ss. Joseph & Benildus Church
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY
from 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm.

MASSES THIS WEEK St. Joseph & St. Benildus

Mon 7.30am & 10.30 am
Tues 7.30a.m & 10.30am
Wed 7.30a.m & 10.30am
Thursday 7.30a.m & 10.30am
Friday 7.30a.m & 10.30am
Sat 10.30 a.m & 6.30pm
Sunday 10.00 am & 12noon

St. Mary's Ballygunner

Sat 7.00pm Sunday: 11.00 a.m.

If you wish to prepare next Sunday's Readings:-Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Dn 7:13-14.

Ps 92:1-2.5.

Apoc 1:5-8.

Jn 18:33-37.

Thirty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time Playing Dixie



Is it human nature only to do our best when the chips are down? We work our hardest when there's an exam or an inspection on the horizon. We struggle to finish our accounts when the tax department deadline is looming. We rush round putting our house in order when visitors are announced, and sadly, many of us leave it until we are elderly or ill before we patch up relationships

In a way we live our lives 'playing dixie', not living the way we ought all of the time, but only when we get some kind of wake up call.

Today's gospel warns us to be alert to the signs of the end of the world and the coming of judgment day, but not in a 'playing dixie' kind of way! It would be immature discipleship to prepare for judgment day only when we suspect that we are close to the end of life. In any case we are warned that we do not know the hour or the day of the world's end, and therefore we must live every day as though it were our last.

We do not aim to live in a state of permanent fear of being caught out, but because we know that abiding by Jesus' teaching is the most fruitful way to live.

The trick is, to prioritise on a daily basis. How much of what we do is 'life and death'? How much of what we do is genuinely important?

Everything in the heavens and earth will pass away. Everything that we consider important will end, but Christ's teaching, and God's priorities will endure.

MASSES	14th/15th Nov 2015	21st/22nd Nov 2015
St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church 6.30 p.m.	Martin Lawrence	Danny O'Kane
10.00 a.m.	Holy Souls Novena	Peter Russell
12.00 Noon St. Mary's Church	Maurice Downey	Nicola Doheny
7.00 p.m.	Liam O'Donnell	Holy Souls Novena
11.00 a m.	Marilyn Brennan	Holy Souls Novena

Last Sunday's Collection

*€*2,577

Thank you for your generous offering

Recent Baptisms

We welcome

Lily Anderson,

Conor Brophy and

Lucy Merrigan

who were baptised recently. Please keep them, their parents and Godparents in your prayers.

Discussion Meeting

A Discussion (patrician meeting) will be held on Tuesday, 17th November in the meeting/prayer room inside St.Paul's Church at 8pm.
The topic for discussion is "Why are we deaf to the cry of the earth?" All are welcome. Refreshments provided.

Mass of Remembrance & Thanksgiving for Waterford Crystal Workers in the Sacred Heart Church, The Folly, Saturday 21st November, 3.00pm.
All welcome.

"The Friends of Wallace"

A commemorative anniversary concert for *William Vincent Wallace* will take place in Christ Church Cathedral on Saturday 21st November at 3pm. Come and hear some "Maritana" again.

Tickets 10euro; 8euro (Conc); 5euro (Children).

Ballygunner Cemetery Mass

Thursday 19th November at 11.30am.

Holy Souls Novena

The Holy Souls Novena begins in St.Mary's Ballygunner on Thursday 19th November at 11.30am.

The novena continues Friday morning at 9.30am,

Saturday at 7.00pm,

Sunday at 11.00am,

and from Monday 23rd to Friday 27th at 9.30am.

Envelopes are available at the back of the church, if you wish to provide the names of your deceased relatives and friends for inclusion in the novena.

The Art of Balanced Living

An opportunity to explore practical ways of supporting your daily living through meditation, silence, mindfulness practice, prayer and reflection.

Advent Reflection, St.John's Pastoral Centre, Saturday 28th November, 10.00am—12 noon.

Facilitator: Antoinette Dilworth, rsj.

Lectio Divina

"It consists of reading God's word in a moment of prayer and allowing it to enlighten and renew us." (Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel).

Come and join us for reflective reading of Sunday Gospels. This way of praying helps us to bring Scripture alive in our daily lives. Thursdays Nov 26th, Dec 3rd, Dec 10th and Dec 17th.

Time: 7.30-8.30pm. Parish Centre, Room 1.

Join us for one evening or for all!

Madrigallery 25th Anniversary Concert

21st November, 8pm. St.Patrick's Gate Centre, Patrick St., Waterford.

Havenwood Rota is available in the Sacristy this weekend.

Retrouvaille: A lifeline for Married Couples

Retrouvaille is a programme helping married couples in difficulty. It is a non-profit organisation, with a Catholic ethos, run by married couples. The programme offers help in such areas as communication and listening, forgiveness and conflict resolution, understanding our spouse and ourselves and our family of origin. Over 40 hours of workshops are given to participants, spread over approx. 8 weeks, starting with a residential weekend.

For details email: retrouvaille.ireland@gmail.com or phone 087 2511783

Please remember in your prayers those whose anniversaries and birthdays occur

Philip Brady, David Dore,
Daenerys Crosbie, Margaret & Andrew McCarthy,
Paddy Mc Carthy, P.J.Moloney
John Mulcair

Newsletter Notes: This Newsletter welcomes any notices presented for non-profit making events, subject to certain conditions. Items for inclusion may be handed into the sacristy at St Joseph & St Benildus Church. **The deadline, however, is every Wednesday at 10.00 a.m.** We are particularly grateful to **Intercom** for resources used in this publication. All details included in this issue were correct at time of going to print.