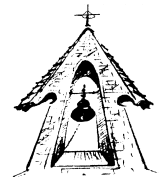


Parish of St. Joseph & St. Benildus and St. Mary's
Newtown Road, Waterford City, Ireland



NEWSLETTER

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mission Sunday

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**A priest is available to help you
in St. Joseph & Benildus Church**

**MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY
from 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm.**

MASSES THIS WEEK

St. Joseph & St. Benildus

Mon 7.30a.m & 10.30 am

Tues 7.30a.m & 10.30am

Wed 7.30a.m & 10.30 am

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:-

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 31:7-9.

Ps 125.

Heb 5:1-6.

Mk 10:46-52.

Message from Pope Francis for Mission Sunday

Mission is a passion for Jesus and at the same time a *passion for his people*. When we pray before Jesus crucified, we see the depth of his love which gives us dignity and sustains us. At the same time, we realize that the love flowing from Jesus' pierced heart expands to embrace the People of God and all humanity. We realize once more that he wants to make use of us to draw closer to his beloved people (cf. *ibid.*, 268) and all those who seek him with a sincere heart.

In Jesus' command to "go forth", we see the scenarios and ever-present new challenges of the Church's evangelizing mission. All her members are called to proclaim the Gospel by their witness of life. In a particular way, consecrated men and women are asked to listen to the voice of the Spirit who calls them to go to the peripheries, to those to whom the Gospel has not yet been proclaimed.

Today, the Church's mission is faced by the challenge of meeting the needs of all people to *return to their roots and to protect the values of their respective cultures*. This means knowing and respecting other traditions and philosophical systems, and realizing that all peoples and cultures have the right to be helped from within their own traditions to enter into the mystery of God's wisdom and to accept the Gospel of Jesus, who is light and transforming strength for all cultures.

Within this complex dynamic, we ask ourselves: "Who are *the first to whom* the Gospel message *must be proclaimed?*" The answer, found so often throughout the Gospel, is clear: it is the poor, the little ones and the sick, those who are often looked down upon or forgotten, those who cannot repay us (cf. *Lk 14:13-14*). Evangelization directed preferentially to the least among us is a sign of the Kingdom that Jesus came to bring: "There is an inseparable bond between our faith and the poor. May we never abandon them" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 48).

MASSES

St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church

6.30 p.m.

10.00 a.m.

12.00 Noon

St. Mary's Church

7.00 p.m.

11.00 a.m.

17th/18th Oct 2015

Ann Cooke

Pádraig Dowling
& Bill Fitzgerald

Mary Butler

Caulfield & Conlon families

Joan, John & Pat Pierce

24th/25th Oct 2015

Gina Burke

Paddy & Kitty O'Connor

Mary Barry

Michael & Margaret O'Sullivan

Liam Lunden

Last Sunday's Collection

€2,634

Thank you for your generous offering

Concert

Many thanks to all who helped organise the hugely enjoyable concert held in St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church on Friday last, 9th October. A special thanks to those who contributed so generously with raffle prizes and sponsorship of the event, and to the wonderfully talented artistes who entertained us all.
Comhghairdeas le gach duine!

Liturgy for Consecrated Life
Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity, Sunday 18th October 2015, at 3pm

Nursing Home Visitation Team
Our next meeting is on Wednesday Oct 28th, Parish Centre, 8-9pm

Parents' Meeting before Baptism

This week we had 20 young parents and four beautiful babies! We apologise again to parents for the cramped space and lack of tea-making facilities, due to ongoing work on the new link. We wish the parents a wonderful day at christenings in St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church and in St. Mary's.

Baptism Team Meeting

Our next Team Meeting is on Wednesday Oct 28th, Parish Centre, 8pm.

FOOTLOOSE

De La Salle College will stage the Waterford premiere of the exciting musical **FOOTLOOSE** in the College Hall, **Tuesday October 20 – Saturday 24th**. This new musical is a production not to miss and it is being performed by the All Ireland winners of the **2015 Bord Gais National Theatre Awards**. 3000 schools and 87,000 students entered the competition but DLS scooped the top prize!!

Tickets can be purchased:

College Office 875294
Online at delasallewaterford.ie
Golden Discs (City Square)

Café Theology

Tuesday October 27th, at 7.30pm, in the Granville Hotel (Tapestry Room).

Worried about getting young people back to Church? Then why not come to Café Theology in Waterford city?

Café Theology starts up again after the summer break. Tony Foy and his NET ministries Team will present a talk on:

Can we get our young people back to the Church?

NET stands for national Evangelisation Teams who are Catholic Christian Missionaries who share Jesus' Gospel message with young people in a team format. NET Ministries encourage young people to love Jesus and embrace the life of the Church.

NET Ireland recruits and trains teams to evangelise to over 20,000 youth every year in churches, schools, parishes and dioceses across Ireland.

All welcome. No charge, but please leave a donation for the coffee/tea and event expenses.

Towards Peace

Towards Peace is a new spiritual support service designed for those who have experienced sexual, physical, emotional or spiritual abuse by Catholic Church personnel in Ireland. Support is also available for family members of abuse survivors. The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space, where people who have been affected by abuse in a Church context can be accompanied as they seek their own experience of spiritual peace, one step at a time. Towards Peace provides spiritual support through one-to-one spiritual direction sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion. Up to nine sessions are offered and there is no cost. For more information, please visit www.towardspeace.ie, phone 01 505 3028 or email towardspeace@iecon.ie. Leaflets are available at the entrance to the church

Please remember in your prayers those who died recently

Bill Fitzgerald (Cobh)

Those who died about a month ago

Olive Glynn

And those whose anniversaries and birthdays occur

Niamh O'Dea, Elizabeth Whelan,

John & Mary Breen