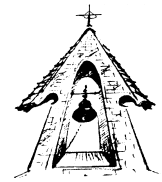




**Parish of St. Joseph & St. Benildus and St. Mary's  
Newtown Road, Waterford City, Ireland**



**NEWSLETTER  
CORPUS CHRISTI**

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**PARISH INFORMATION**

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**MASSES THIS WEEK**

**St. Joseph & St. Benildus**

Mon 7.30 am j& 10.30am

Tues 7.30 & 10.30am

Weds 7.30 & 10.30am

Thur 7.30 & 10.30am

Fri 7.30 & 10.30am

Sat : 10.30am & 6.30pm

Sunday 10.00 am & 12noon

**St. Mary's Ballygunner**

Saturday: 7pm Vigil

Sunday: 11am

**Gospel Reflection for the Body and Blood of the Lord  
More Like Christ.**



When we are children we don't believe that we will ever grow to be obese, passed our prime or out of condition; it's something that creeps up on us. The extra pounds that pile on around our waistlines are the result of making wrong choices on a daily basis.

Just as we can become physically unfit so we can become spiritually unfit. When we are young we cannot imagine making wrong choices or poor decisions, but compromise, apathy and temptation creeps up on the best of us. We become consumed by things that don't really matter. If we are not careful, God's values can fall by the wayside and we end up feeling weighed down, dissatisfied and unhappy.

On the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we are reminded that in just the same way as we care for our physical diet, so we need to take care of our spiritual diet. We need to make Jesus part of our spiritual diet both in communion and in our daily choices to live as Christians so that we might be spiritually whole. We are invited to feel alive and rejuvenated and ready to impact the world around us.

When we faithfully participate in the Eucharist, the sacrament has the power to influence us and change us; it joins each of us to Christ and hopefully, makes us more like him.

Today's challenge is to think a little harder about what we are actually doing in participating in the Eucharist, and what we should expect as a result.

**If you wish to prepare  
next Sunday's Readings :  
12th Sunday in Ordinary  
Time**

**Jer 20:10-13.**

**Ps 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35.**

**Rm 5:12-15.**

**Mt 10:26-33.**

**MASSES**

**St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church**

**6.30pm ( Sat )**

**10.00am ( Sun )**

**12.00pm ( Sun )**

**St Mary's Church**

**7.00pm ( Sat )**

**11.00am ( Sun )**

**17th/18th June 2017**

**Jimmy O'Leary**

**Vivienne Burke**

**John Heffernan**

**Henry Kelley**

**24th/25th June 2017**

**Tim O'Connor**

**Michael Dowling**

**Paddy Keyes**

**Molly Gough**

**Gerry O'Carroll**

**Last Sunday's Collection**

€2,252

**Thank you for your generous offering****Exam Students***Best wishes to all our young parishioners who are sitting State Exams this year. The Junior Cert finishes on June 21st, and the Leaving Cert finishes on June 23rd. Go n'èirí an t-ádh libh go léir.***Recent Baptisms**

We welcome *Isabelle Gooney, Adam Hayes, Anna Thea O'Shea,* and *Cillian O'Sullivan* who were baptised recently. Please keep them and their parents and godparents in your prayers.

**Morning Prayer & Praise**

Thursday after the 10.30am Mass. Parish Centre, beside St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church. All welcome.

**Corpus Christi Procession**

**Today, Sunday June 18th. Leaving Ballybricken Green at 3pm, to John Roberts Square for Benediction of the most Blessed Sacrament. All Parish Choirs are invited to assemble in John Roberts Square at 3pm to prepare for the arriving procession at 3.30pm.**

**Recent Marriages**

Congratulations to *Orla Power & Damien McCarthy,* as well as *Yvonne Dinan & James Power* who were married recently.

**Solas: Cancer Support Centre Fundraiser**Event : **Film for life.**Location : **WIT Arena.****Date & Time :** Saturday 24th June. Doors open 7.30pm.

Complimentary prosecco on arrival. View film premieres, Oscar nominations and awards, plus lots of live stage entertainment.

Email: [info@solascentre.ie](mailto:info@solascentre.ie). Call: 051 304604**Fundraiser Solas Centre**

Bingo at the Forum. Wednesday June 21st. Doors open 7pm. Tickets €6. Over 16s only.

**Invitation to Deepen your Vocation**

Here in our faith community of St. Joseph & St. Benildus & St. Mary's, we invite you to deepen your baptismal vocation by becoming involved in any of our many ministries: Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Baptismal Preparation Team, Choirs, Collectors at Mass, Hospitality Team, Nursing Home & Home-visitation Team, Family/Children's Liturgy, Envelope Distribution Team, etc. We will be delighted to have you. Training will be provided if required. Please contact 051 878977.

**Parish Partnership Programme**

We are in the process of compiling a Parish Profile, with photos, which we will be forwarding to our partnership parish in Ishiara, Kenya.

**Family & Life presents: "How to win the Pro Life Argument".**

Clonmel Park Hotel, Clonmel, on Tuesday June 20th at 7.30pm. All welcome.

**World Premiere of "Mass of the Martyrs", composed by Br. Ben O'Hanlon.**

Heartiest congratulations to Br. Ben O'Hanlon who has composed "Mass of the Martyrs". It will have its world premiere on Sunday 18th June at 12pm Mass in the Church of St. Joseph & St. Benildus.

Br. Ben's Choir will be supported by Sr. Una's Choir and by Ad Hoc Chorale, as well as by individual singers and musicians.

Not since the late Fintan O'Carroll has a Waterford Musician composed new music for the Mass, so it is a truly great occasion for the parish and for the Irish church.

**Parish Pastoral Council meeting:**

Weds 21st June at 7.00pm in Parish Centre.

St. Mary's School 6th Class Graduation Mass will be celebrated at 7.30pm Tuesday 20th in St. Mary's Church.

*Please pray for the following whose anniversaries or birthdays occur:*

**Brian Cully, Miriam O'Kane, Billy Carroll,  
Eileen Nevin, Theresa Forde,  
Paul Nolan, Felix & Catherine Rink,  
Martin Sullivan, Helena McDonald,  
Joseph Lyons.**

**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.