

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



NEWSLETTERPentecost Sunday

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MASSES THIS WEEK St. Joseph & St. Benildus

Mon 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

If you wish to prepare next Sunday's Readings: The Most Holy Trinity EX 34:4-6, 8-9
Ps Dn 3 52-56
2 Cor 13:11-13.
Jn 3:16-18

Gospel Reflection for Pentecost

How To Overcome Our Limitations



It is clear that we are not all born the same. We look at people who have achieved great things and imagine that they must have been born with a better brain or more talent. We look at people who do extraordinary things and imagine they must possess greater depths than we possess. These extraordinary people must have greater courage, greater determination or a clearer vision than we have. Is it just possible that we are not getting the full picture? It is clear that we are not all born the same, and it is also clear, that as human beings, however hard we work we will always come up against our own limitations. As human beings there will always be times when we are hindered by fear, doubts and inadequacies. It's at times such as these that the Holy Spirit can step in and fire our humble human efforts. When we allow ourselves to be led by the Holy Spirit, great things are going to happen. Faith in the Spirit will move us in the right direction. People like Mother Teresa of Calcutta would never have put her success down solely to her own human endeavour. Any praise she might have received would have been sent straight back to God.

On this, the Church's birthday, we share a very exciting link with those very first disciples. We are each given gifts and talents, which we must share to best advantage. At Pentecost we are given tremendous insight into God's plan. We were not all born the same but we were all given the same twenty four hours in a day. All we need to do to overcome our limitations is to ask the Holy Spirit to galvanise our human effort and involve us in Jesus' saving deeds

MASSES	3rd/4th June 2017	10/11th June 2017
St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church 6.30pm (Sat)	John & Mary Coade	Tom & Dearbhal Clarke
10.00am (Sun)	Jimmy Aylward	Diarmuid O'Hegarty
12.00pm (Sun)	Paddy Holden	Nicola Doheny & Kathleen Phelan
St Mary's Church 7.00pm (Sat)	John Quann	John Power
11.00am (Sun)	Mary Broderick	Maureen & Wally Threadawa

Last Sunday's Collection €2,835

Thank you for your generous offering

Recent Baptisms

We welcome Gwenllian Joyce Brennan & Seán Michael O'Callaghan who were baptised recently. Please keep them and their parents and godparents in your prayers.

Come & Celebrate

50 years of Charismatic Renewal In the Concert Hall, RDS Dublin on Saturday 24th June 2017 at 10am, concluding with Mass at 6.30pm.

This is a one day national event. Speakers: Fr. Pat Collins, C.M Celebrant: Archbishop Eamon Martin

Tickets: €20

Month of the Sacred Heart

June is traditionally the month when Catholics are urged to show special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Devotion to the Sacred Heart is the celebration of God's love for us. The Sacred Heart is the symbol of the eternal love by which "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son." (Jn 3:16)

Solemn Novena of St. Anthony

The annual solemn novena will take place in the Franciscan Friary, Waterford from 4th-12th June. The Feast Day Mass will be at 10.30am on 13th, with Blessing of Lilies.

Come home to the love of God's Family on Lough Derg.

You may begin your 3-day pilgrimage on any day from 1st June until 13th August. No need to book. Daily boats to the island from 10.30am-3pm, 7 days a week. Telephone Maureen or Lorraine on 071 9861518.

Email: info@loughderg.org

Invitation To Deepen Your Baptismal Vocation

At baptism we are all immersed in the life of Christ and welcomed into a living faith community. We live out our baptismal vocation each time we reach out in love to another person — **not only** when we gather to pray together at Eucharist . Here in our faith community of St Joseph & St Benildus & St. Marys we invite you to **deepen** your baptismal vocation by becoming involved in any of our many ministries: Euacharistic Minister, Readers, Baptismal Preparation Team, Choir Member, Collector at Masses, Hospitality Team, Nursing Home & Homevisitation Teams,

Family/children's Liturgy, Envelope Distributor Team.

Do you feel **called / attracted** to any one in particular ? – Take the time to reflect, pray, and then take a leap of faith and join us! We will be delighted to have you – training

will be provided if required *Please give your name to any of our ministry members at the front and back of church or contact the Parish Office on 878977.*

St. Mary's Cemetery Ballygunner—Annual Mass

The annual cemetery Mass will be celebrated in St. Mary's Cemetery Ballygunner on Thursday 15th June at 7.30pm.

Annual Corpus Christi Procession

The Annual Corpus Christi Procession takes place on Sunday June 18th 2017 starting at 3.00pm at the Bull Post, Ballybricken and following the route below;

Assemble on Ballybricken at the Bull Post, up the Yellow Road, onto Doyle Street, left onto Barrack Street, down Newgate Street, onto Michael Street and into John Roberts Square. For further details see poster in church porch.

Exam Students

Best wishes to all our young parishioners who are sitting State Exams this year. Junior Cert and Leaving Cert exams begin on Wednesday 8th June. Go n'éirí an t-ádh libh go léir.

Annual Strawberry Fair in aid of Friends of University Hopsital Waterford

will take place on Wednesday 7th June 2017 at 10.30am in Jack Meade's. Admission €5 to include tea/Coffee, Strawberries & Cream. Also Bric-a-brac, Plants, Cake sale & Books.

Cuan Mhuire Fundraising Walk

This year's walk will be a 15Km stroll through the beautiful landscape of the Garden County, taking place on Saturday July 1st 2017 in Tinahely, Co.Wicklow. Registration: www.iregister.ie/v2/events/cuan-mhuire-annual-hillwalk-2017/ or at base camp on the day. Sponsorship cards can be requested at hillwalk@cuanmhuire, and will be posted out. Cuan Mhuire is Ireland's largest provider of specialised residential treatment for people suffering from addiction, caring for some 600 residents at any one time, with close to 3,000 people being admitted to our centres every year.

Please pray for the following who died about a month ago

Mary Sadlier,

Jimmy Aylward

And those whose anniversaries or birthdays occur:
Noreen & Eddie Steadman, John Walsh,
Tony Fennelly, Mary Broderick

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.