

PARISH OF ST. JOSEPH, ST. BENILDUS & ST. MARY'S

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MASS TIMES

ST. JOSEPH & ST. BENILDUS

Sunday: Vigil 6.30pm,

Sunday: 10.00am & 12 Noon

Monday—Friday

7.30am & 10.30am

(except Holy Days of Obligation)

Holy Day of Obligation

6.30pm Vigil and 11.00am

CONFESSIONS

Confessions immediately following the 10.30am on Saturday and at the parish office by request

St. Mary's, Ballygunner

Sunday: 7.00pm Vigil,

Sunday: 11.00am

Holy Days of Obligation:

7.00pm Vigil & 11.00am

**IF YOU WISH TO
PREPARE NEXT SUNDAY'S
READINGS :**

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deut 6:2-6.

Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51.

Heb 7:23-28.

Mk 12:28-34.

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

28th Oct 2018

Gospel Reflection for the Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Cry for Help



We all understand Bartimaeus' cry for help, after all, most of us have felt like that at some stage in our lives. How many of us have felt trapped in jobs we hate, in bodies that are weak or in relationships that are failing? Yet how many of us feel that we should accept our gloomy lot in life and suffer in silence? Praying to God for help doesn't seem much of an option in a world governed by science. We have lost our sense of wonderment. We have lost our belief in what we cannot see.

Today Bartimaeus, the blind man, teaches us a lesson in prayer. He certainly wasn't ready to suffer in silence. He cried out and many rebuked him telling him to be silent, but he kept calling out all the more. The lesson is that the blind man's persistence and faith were rewarded.

In our modern day scientific world, faith is a stumbling point because it suggests believing in things of which there can be no proof - things we can't see. Of course this is true, but faith also means believing in things that are all around us. Sometimes we suffer in silence when we are surrounded by people who could help us given half the chance. Today we exercise our faith and ask for help. We remember that we have friends, neighbours, professional counsellors and medics who we can call upon. We remember to put our problems before God and ask for help.

St. Joseph & St. Benildus

27th/28th Oct 18

3rd/4th Nov 2018

6.30pm Saturday:

Paddy & Marie White

Bereavement Mass

10.00am Sunday:

Jerry Lynch

Novena Mass

12 Noon Sunday:

Mary Barry

Madeline, Ken & Gerald Dickenson

St. Mary's, Ballygunner

7.00pm Saturday:

Christopher & Teresa Harrington

Anne Tierney

11.00am Sunday:

Maura Carley

Gerry Hogan

John Foskin

M.M. John Barry



Please pray for those
who died recently

Marie Lyons
For those whose anniversaries and
birthdays occur
Raymond O'Donnell,
Margaret Coffey,
Paddy & Kitty O'Connor,
Pat Murnane, John Davis,
Gina Burke, Turlough McNamara,
Anne O'Connell



Recent Baptisms

We welcome
Miles Robert O'Neill,
Orlaith Neary,
Molly Helen Bolger
and
Molly Sadhbh Rowan
who were baptised

recently. Please keep them, their
godparents, parents and family in your
prayers.



*Last Sunday's
Collection
€2,303
Thank you*

Masses for the Feast of All Saints

St. Joseph & Benildus : Vigil 6.30pm
11.00am

St. Mary's : Vigil : 7.00pm
11.00am



Please keep your pets
(and yourselves of
course) safe this
Hallowe'en.



The Thursday Morning Prayer & Praise Group
meets in the Parish Centre After 10.30am Mass.
All are welcome.

Novena Masses

Novena Masses will begin at the 6.30pm Mass on
Saturday 3rd November in the Church of
St. Joseph & Benildus.

They will continue as follows:
10.00am on Sunday, 4th & 11th
10.30am Weekdays, 5th—10th Nov.

Taizé: an Evening of

Taizé will take place on
Friday 2nd November at
8.00pm in the Edmund
Rice Chapel,
Mount Sion, Waterford.
All welcome.



Have you some free time?

And would you like to
help people with little or
no English?

The Edmund Rice
English Classes at Mount
Sion, Waterford, are
looking for volunteers.

Please contact Jenny
Egan (087 68787060) for
more information.



Bereavement Mass

The Annual Mass for
those bereaved in the
past year will be
celebrated at 6.30pm
in the Church of St.
Joseph & St. Benildus
on Saturday 3rd

November. All those who have been
bereaved in the past year are invited to
attend, and to join us afterwards for a cup
of tea in the Parish Centre.

All Saints : 1st November

When something seems too difficult, we have a tendency to
'switch off'. If something is seemingly beyond our reach, we
don't even try. Following in the footsteps of the saints, for
most of us is like attempting rocket science or brain
surgery. But following in the footsteps of the saints is not
about becoming a saint overnight. Saints are just real people
who have struggled through crisis and frustration to live
their faith. Like the concert pianist who began his career
with simple scales, so following God's blueprint for
discipleship is about starting out with small steps.

Parishioners are invited to contact the Newsletter Team :
jbmnews@gmail.com **with items of interest (of a non-
commercial nature)** for inclusion in the bulletin. Please note that
the deadline is 11.00am on the Tuesday before printing.

Please Note: As Monday 29th October is a Bank
Holiday, there will be no 7.30am Mass.

Be Safe...Be Seen

Because of the onset of the
darker evenings, please

Stay Safe, Be Seen.
Wear Hi Vis jackets outside of daylight
hours.



And for all motorists and
cyclists, please check that the lights on
your vehicle are in working order.

**If you are reading this on Saturday pm at a Vigil Mass,
please remember to put your clocks back by one hour !**

Parishioners are reminded that Live Streaming of Masses
in both St. Benildus & St. Mary's is available online, and
can be accessed on :
www.churchservices.tv/stjosephswaterford
or www.churchservices.tv/stmarysballygunner