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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

<u>St. Mary's, Ballygunner</u> 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 : FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT Jer 33:14-16. Ps 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14. 1 Thess 3:12-4:2. Lk 21:25-28, 34-36.

34th Sunday in Ordinary Time

25th November 2018

Gospel Reflection for the Feast of Christ The King : Making A Stand on Fake News

We tune in to the news to elicit some kind of truth, but we suspect what we are viewing is 'fake news'. A television interviewer tries to elicit the truth from a politician. We recognise of old the politician's strategies for avoiding the interviewer's questions. We are called to do jury service and determine to get to the bottom of the case, but suddenly everyone's version of the same truth is slightly different.

We pick up on a charged atmosphere at home, but when we quiz our children or spouse, we are met with evasion and equivocation. The opposite of truth is not always a lie. Truth can be avoided, twisted, disguised, or simply not recognised. One thing is for sure though; we all have some kind of sixth sense for knowing when we are not getting the truth. That's why it's so refreshing and so powerful when somebody gets up and speaks a simple truth from the heart. The truth makes us sit up and listen.

Perhaps this is what Jesus meant when he told Pilate, "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Standing in front of Pilate, Jesus doesn't back down or compromise the truth, because the truth is too important. The trouble with earthly kingdoms is that the truth is not always of paramount importance. In earthly kingdoms the truth gets in the way of our personal agendas. In our quest for territory, power, resources and a comfortable life style, the truth takes second place We might think that we are truthful people and that we never tell lies, but it is all too easy to live a lie without admitting it even to ourselves.

St. Joseph & St. Benildus		
St. Joseph & St. Dennaus	24th/25th Nov 2018	1st/2nd Dec 2018
6.30pm Saturday:	Susan Flavin	M.M Della Keane
10.00am Sunday:		Dick & Anna Tilson Denise Walsh
12 Noon Sunday: St. Mary's, Ballygunner	Nicola Doheny Paddy Dempsey	Kitty Fitzpatrick Harry Flynn Joe & Joan Costello
7.00pm Saturday:	M.M Annie Butler M.M. Ann (Nancy) Hamm Marilyn Brennan John O'Sullivan Roseanne, Henry, Frances & Joe Sharpe	John, Anne, Paddy & Jim Morrissey Maurice Gough
11.00am Sunday:	Mary Keohan Nicholas & Joan Phelan Gerard Hogan John & Eileen Mooney M.M Teresa Doherty	Kevin Doyle Joan, John & Patrick Pierce

Please pray for those who died Recently Michael Kiely May Power whose Month's Mind occurs Annie Butler Ann (Nancy) Hamm Teresa Doherty For those whose anniversaries and birthdays occur Thomas Broderick, Annam Chacko, Alice Batt, Malachy Heffernan, Elizabeth Moynihan, Gerard Hogan. **Recent Baptisms** We welcome *Harry Kris Kinkead* and *Daniel Akan Lehane* who were baptised recently. Please keep them, their parents, godparents, and family in your prayers.



ST. JOSEPH & ST. BENILDUS CHURCH 50th Anníversary Celebratíon

1968—2018

Mass of Thanksgívíng to celebrate the openíng of St. Joseph & St. Beníldus Church on the feast of St. Joseph, 19th March 1968

<u>St. Joseph & St. Beníldus Church Fríday 30th November, 7.30pm.</u>

Followed by refreshments and entertainment in the Parish Centre.

For catering purposes, please inform the Parish Office before 25th November if you wish to attend. (051 878977)

Afternoon retreat "**Discover your Identity in Christ**". Glencomeragh, Sunday 25th Nov, with internationally acclaimed American speakers, Dave & Catherine DiNuzzo. Contact 052 6133181 or : info@holyfamilymission.ie. Cost: Make a donation to support the ministry.

Advent Reflection

Cultivating a Contemplative Awareness – a listening heart and a peaceful spirit. An uplifting, inspirational evening through the medium of prayer, imagery, music & reflection as we approach the season of Advent, St. John's Pastoral Centre. Thursday, 29th November, @ 7.00 p.m. Facilitator: Antoinette Dilworth rsj.

Home Visitation Group

There will be a meeting of the Home Visitation Group on Monday 26th November at 11.00am in the Parish Centre.

Live Streaming of Masses in both St.Benildus & St.Mary's is online www.churchservices.tv/stjosephswaterford www.churchservices.tv/stmarysballygunner



Parishioners are invited to contact the Newsletter Team :

ibmnews@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.

"Red Wednesday :28th November " To highlight the persecutions of Christians in many parts of the world we are asking people to wear an item of Red Clothing and to pray in solidarity with those suffering persecution and who risk their lives to practise their Christianity.

Scripture Reflection / Lectio Divina Please join us throughout Advent—on Friday mornings—in the Parish Centre after 10.30am Mass, beginning on Friday 30th November. All welcome.

Holy Family Mission, Glencomeragh House, Kilsheelan

Special Family Day to help prepare for Christmas. Please join us on Sunday, Dec 2nd from 10am-3pm. The day will include Mass, music, drama, and input for parents and led activities for children of all ages. Lunch will be provided. All are welcome! For more info/ book a place please contact

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Rotas for Havenwood are now available for collection in the sacristy.

We send our condolences to Fr. Liam

on the death of his mother, May Power. Suaimhneas síoraí dá h-anam.



Annual Vincent de Paul Christmas Collection

Envelopes will be distributed this weekend for the Annual Vincent de Paul collection. Collection will be taken up next weekend. *Thank you for your continued generosity*.



MESSIAH : G.F. Handel St. John's Church

2nd December 7.30pm City of Dublin Chamber Orchestra & the Notable Works Chorus. Conducted by Kevin O'Carroll. Tickets 20 Euro from Theatre Royal Box Office, early booking is advised. This much loved Christmas favourite will be sung by a choir of 70 singers from Waterford and Wexford.

