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MASS TIMES

ST. JOSEPH & ST. BENILDUS

Sunday: Vigil 6.30pm,

Sunday: 10.00am & 12 pm

Monday—Friday

7.30am & 10.30am

(except Holy Days of Obligation)

No 7.30am Mass Bank Hols

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 :

1st Sunday of Advent

Is 2:1-5.

Ps 121 : 1-2, 4-5, 6-9.

Rm 13:11-14.

Mt 24: 37-44.

Christ the KIng

24th Nov 2019

Gospel Reflection for Christ the King : King of Mercy



Our lives are filled with such horrible instances of the abuse of power, that royal imagery seems out of place when talking about Jesus. But the reign of Jesus from the cross is based on a different vision of power altogether. Jesus' authority is nothing about oppression and everything about mercy. His is a power that never seeks to rule or dominate, but rather seeks to serve and lead by example. His is a power that seeks to unify the world by promoting understanding, tolerance, justice, sharing and peace. His is a kingdom in which we will all be valued and loved.

This week sees the close of Pope Francis's 'Year of Mercy'. It's apt that the year closes in a week where we consider Christ as a king not of power but of compassion and mercy. What must we learn from the year of mercy, and from the path Jesus chose? It's simple! We might see others as guilty or sinful. Jesus sees those same people as needy and vulnerable. If we have learnt anything this year it should be that there is worth in everyone we meet.

The vision of God's kingdom is a vision we can start living here on earth. We can begin realising it by challenging our own values, in how we treat others and how we respond to the world around us.

In today's gospel, we see a crown of thorns instead of a crown of jewels and a cross instead of a throne. It might seem a bit of a mystery to the non-believers who are governed by self-interest but to those who understand values such as self-sacrifice, love and forgiveness, this is where discipleship begins.

Feast of Christ the King: Sunday 24th November, Woodlands Hotel, from 10.00am to 4.00p.m Mass celebrated by Bishop Alphonsus Cullinan.

<i>St. Joseph & St. Benildus</i>	<i>23rd/24th Nov 2019</i>	<i>30 Nov / 1st Dec 2019</i>
6.30pm Saturday	Gerard Hogan Marie & Paddy White	Susan Flavin
10.00am Sunday:	Roy Power	Anthea O'Donoghue
12 Noon Sunday:	Phyllis Houlihan Nicola Doheny	Kitty Fitzpatrick Harry Flynn Joe & Joan Costello
<i>St. Mary's, Ballygunner</i>		
7.00pm Sat:	Frank O'Sullivan Deceased members Ballygunner GAA	Ann Tierney Margaret & Helen Power
11.00a.m Sun :	Nicholas & Joan Phelan John & Eileen Mooney Paddy Dempsey	Kevin Doyle Jerry & Evelyn O'Regan Jo White

Please pray for those whose anniversary or birthday occurs

Andrew & Margaret McCarthy,
Annam Chacko,
Michael Coffey,
Charlie Weare Jnr,
Elizabeth Moynihan



Live Streaming of Masses

www.churchservices.tv/
stjosephswaterford
AND
www.churchservices.tv/
stmarysballygunner

Newsletter "News"

If parishioners are aware of any forthcoming events (of a non-commercial nature) that might be of interest to readers, please contact jbmnews@gmail.com by 11am on the Tuesday before printing.



**St. Joseph's
Home, Ferrybank
Christmas Fayre,
Saturday 30th
November,
2.30pm.**

Spinner / Cakes /
Refreshments /
Toys / Tombola /
Gifts / Arts &
Crafts / Clothes /
Lucky ip....RAFFLES
and lots more !! Admission €2



The Aid to the Church in Need :

Week of Witness (25 Nov — 1 Dec. From Monday 25th of November to Monday 1st of December we are asking all the faithful to pray and remember persecuted Christians and also to wear RED (tie, scarf, jumper etc. etc.), especially for all the Martyrs that have fallen here in Ireland and abroad, because they simply believed in Jesus Christ and professed their faith. We Humbly ask your participation in Prayers for that week and in particular on Wednesday 27th of November — RED WEDNESDAY.

Yours sincerely,
Most Reverend Alphonsus Cullinan, DD,
Bishop of Waterford and Lismore.

Advent Reflection : "Connecting to the Invisible Force of God's presence within each one of us and within all creation". Thursday 28th November, St. John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill, Waterford, @ 7.30 p.m. Facilitator: Antoinette Dilworth rsj.

The Memory Technology Resource Room



**Memory Technology
Resource Room**

The Memory Technology Resource Rooms (MTRRs) are run by an Occupational Therapist and showcase a variety of assistive technology equipment. The MTRR is free to attend and provides people with memory difficulties and their carers

the opportunity to see and discuss the benefits of assistive technology equipment. The Occupational Therapist will be able to provide the person with memory difficulties or carers with information on devices and strategies that promote independence, safety and quality of life (sample devices include: Medication Reminders, Electronic calendars/clocks, safety devices, pendent alarms and simplified phones) . If you would like to schedule an appointment please contact Lisa Farley , Occupational Therapist, Deise Memory Technology Resource Room. Our Lady's Ward, St.Patrick's Hospital, Waterford. Phone Number: 051-858174

**Last Sunday's
Collection**



€2,350

Thank you

**PROJECT MUSIC
PRESENTS**



Vanessa Whelan - Soprano



Michael Murphy - Retired RTE, Author and Journalist



Valerie Leahy - Soprano



Dominic McGorian - Tenor



Jamie Rock - Baritone

The Baum String Quartet
South Korea



CAHAL MASTERSON
International Concert Pianist
Northern Ireland

**CHRISTMAS IN
BENILDUS 4**

Music, Readings and Poetry on a Christmas Theme
WEDNESDAY 18th DECEMBER - Parish of St. Joseph's, St. Benildus' and St. Mary's
Doors Open at 7.00pm - Concert Begins at 7.30pm

ALSO FEATURING

GERRY KANE - MUSICIAN AND ACTOR
GALWAY CITY CHAMBER CHOIR
PARISH CHOIR



RESERVATIONS

pmmtickets@mail.com/Call Phyllis on 087 9293553
Parish Office - 051 878977

PRICE - 20 EURO with a substantial donation from all ticket sales being made to the Church



Ad Hoc Choral

Ad Hoc Choral are delighted to invite you to "Heavenly Blue" - a celebration of choral jazz music. at 8pm in the Chapel in De la Salle school on Saturday 30th November, 2019.

Featuring Will Todd's "Jazz Missa Brevis" and a 6-piece jazz band, this is Ad Hoc doing what they do best, performing exciting new choral music, with a twist!

With special guests Voicemale and accompanist Siobhan Keappock, hear music by Voctave, BYU Vocalpoint and Pentatonix..... and let Ad Hoc start off your festive season with our stunning Christmas finale. Tickets from choir members €15/€10 concession.

