

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

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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

3rd Nov 2019

Gospel Reflection : Salvation For All



There are huge numbers of people who have never set foot in a church and have no intention of finding God. These are the people that Jesus is determined to seek out and save. Jesus doesn't wait for people to seek him out, he seeks them out first. To Jesus it doesn't matter to what depths someone has sunk, salvation is still an option.

Zacchaeus is an example of the most despised of crooks. He is a chief tax collector who has made great wealth on the back of his oppressed fellow Jews. In Jesus' day, tax collectors were put in the same category as thieves and murderers. Because they were in the employment of the Romans, Jewish tax collectors were regarded as traitors by their own people. Although wealthy, Zacchaeus must have felt lonely and isolated and makes a good subject for a parable that tells us how Jesus reaches out to the lowliest and most despicable.

On this particular day, Zacchaeus is curious to catch a glimpse of Jesus, and being small, climbs up into a tree. Although it is Zacchaeus who wants to see Jesus, it is actually Jesus who spots Zacchaeus and tells him that he will be dining at his house that day. We don't get to hear what went on between Jesus and Zacchaeus at that meal, but we do know that Zacchaeus was a changed man. We know Jesus' intention. Jesus had come to save those who were lost. To be lost means to become disassociated with the person God wants us to be. Somehow Jesus was about to show Zacchaeus who he could really be. The parable of Zacchaeus is a great comfort to us, because however low we have sunk, Jesus is determined to seek us out and show us a better way.

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 :

32nd Sunday in O.T.

2 Mac 7:1-2, 9-14.

Ps 16:1, 5-6, 8, 15.

2 Th 2: 16-3:5.

Lk 20:27-38.

St. Joseph & St. Benildus

2nd/3rd Nov 2019

9th/10th Nov 2019

6.30pm Saturday

Remembrance Mass

10.00am Sunday:

Novena Mass

Novena Mass

12 Noon Sunday:

Paddy & Kitty O'Connor

Martin Lawrence

Della Keane

Brendan Skelly

St. Mary's, Ballygunner

7.00pm

Alice, Mick & Jack Parle
Christopher & Teresa Harrington
Maurice Gough

Roseanne, Henry, Frances, Joe,
& Harry Sharpe
Pierce Dower

11.00am Sunday

Joan English
Catherine Connolly

Marilyn Brennan
Maria Cheasty

Please pray for those who died recently

Josie Aspel



**And those whose anniversary
or birthday occurs**

John Stack, Eamon Lahart,
Peter O'Sullivan (50th Anniversary),
Canon Frank Hopkins,
Tom Brazil.

Holy Souls Novena



The annual Novena for the Holy Souls will commence this week-end and continue until Sunday 10th Nov, in St. Joseph & Benildus church.

Novena Masses are celebrated on weekdays at 10.30am and at 10.00am on Sundays.

Congratulations

We are delighted to congratulate Fr. Liam and Ivan Cuddihy who completed the Dublin City Marathon on Sunday 27th October.



Evening of Remembrance
St. John's Pastoral Centre,
John's Hill, Waterford.
Thursday, 14th November,
7.30 p.m.



In Memory A sacred space to honour family, friends and all who have died. You are invited to a time of prayerful reflection during this special month. The evening will include Scripture reading, personal prayer, silence and music. All are welcome. Facilitator: Ann O'Farrell

Holy Souls Mass: St. Mary's Cemetery, Ballygunner.

The annual Holy Souls Mass for all those interred in fgBallygunner Cemetery will be celebrated in St. Mary's Church on Thursday 21st November at 11.00am.



Holy Family Mission,
Family day & All Saints Party:
Sunday 3rd November, 10a.m -3p.m.
Glencomeragh House, Kilsheelan,
Co. Tipperary. (052 6133 181)

Music, Talks, Mass, Lunch & Party Games.
Bring a costume to dress up as your favourite saint !

*Last Sunday's
Collection*



€2,250

Thank you

Live Streaming of Masses

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AND

[www.churchservices.tv/
stmarysballygunner](http://www.churchservices.tv/stmarysballygunner)

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Newsletter

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.



HOPE FOUNDATION

A coffee morning in aid of the Hope Foundation will be held in St. Joseph & Benildus Parish hall on Saturday 9th November, 2019 from 11am to 1pm.



Annual Remembrance Mass

The annual Remembrance Mass for those who died during the past year is being celebrated in St. Joseph & Benildus Church this **Saturday 2nd Nov, 6.30pm**. You are invited to join us for refreshments afterwards in the Parish hall.



Two Full-Time Positions have arisen in the Diocese of Waterford and Lismore: Diocesan Youth Ministry Officer

The successful candidate is expected to work as part of a team delivering and supporting youth ministry programmes and initiatives across the Diocese.

and Operations Manager

The successful candidate will be responsible and accountable for day-to-day operations including general management of a retreat facility, staff management, financial control, budgeting & fundraising, regulatory compliance, oversight of works and marketing.

Send your application to the Diocesan Secretary :

admin@waterfordlismore.ie

Closing Date for applications is Friday November 8th, 2019.

*For more information about the positions, please visit
www.waterfordlismore.ie*

Watching Live Broadcasts of Mass from our Parish Churches.

One of the questions raised in our recent Question Box concerned How to Watch Live Broadcasts of Mass from our Parish. This can be done Online by:

1: Google **St Joseph and Benildus**

or **St.Mary's Ballygunner**

2: click on the **churchservices.tv** option

3: a picture of the church will appear on your screen, and finally, click on the arrow in the middle of the picture for Live broadcast.