

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

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

10th May 2020

## Gospel Reflection for the Fifth Sunday of Easter A Place For Us.



Maybe we feel that if we only had the perfect job in the perfect community, then finally we wouldn't feel so restless. Maybe we feel that if we could meet that perfect partner, then finally we could be ready to settle down. Maybe we feel as though if we could just get the children through to school and into a good university we could take a well-earned break from life's treadmill. If only we could achieve a certain goal, or settle some old score we could finally obtain peace. It never seems to happen ... it seems to be part of our human condition to be forever restless. Perhaps we are at our closet to feeling at peace when the day is done and we close our own front door on the world, though even then there's the dog to be fed and the children to be bathed and put to bed. In the gospel reading today, Jesus directly addresses our yearning for peace. "Do not let your hearts be troubled ..... I go to prepare a place for you...." What a very comforting thought. God has prepared a little corner of heaven especially for us. What will our little corner of heaven be like, and more importantly, how must we find our way there?

In today's gospel, Jesus is preparing his disciples for the time when he will no longer be with them in the flesh. Jesus assures them that although their relationship is changing, it's not ending. The assurance for us all is that through our belief in Jesus, we will find our home with God. "I am the way, and the truth and the life..." Jesus leaves us with the promise that following his teachings is the way to ultimate peace.

## MASS TIMES

**ST. JOSEPH & ST.  
BENILDUS**

**MONDAY TO SATURDAY**

**10.30AM**

**Sunday:** 12 noon -

**CONFESSIONS :**

**Penitential Service**

Tuesday 7th April 2020

Streamed:

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

[stjosephswaterford](http://stjosephswaterford)

**St. Mary's,**

**Ballygunner**

**No Mass due to**

**Coronavirus regulations**

**Parish Helpline  
083 8195001**

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

*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

*Acts 8: 5-8*

*Ps65 1-7*

*1 Pt 3: 15-18*

*Jn14 15-21*

**St. Joseph & St. Benildus**

6.30pm

10.00am Sunday:

12 noon Sunday

**9th & 10th May 2020**

Dan & Nora Holdan

Nora McCarthy

Rita McAvinue

**16th & 17th May 2020**

Margaret Byrne

Kathleen Phelan

Nicola Doherty (Birthday Rem)

**St. Mary's, Ballygunner**

7.00pm Sat:

Johnny Flynn

Agnes Kelly

11.00a.m Sunday:

O'Sullivan

Christy O'Sullivan

Charlie & Nancy

& Son Pat & Jim

& Grandson Darren O'Sullivan

**All of the above will be remembered and prayed for at the 12 noon Mass in St. Joseph & St. Benildus.**

## Mass on RTE Television

Daily mass is broadcast on RTE News Now at 10.30am each morning. Sunday Service at 11am on RTE 1 and at 2pm on RTE News Now.

RTE News Now is available on: Saorview Channel 21, Virgin Media Channel 200 Sky Channel 521, Eir Channel 517.

### **Please pray for**

Christy Wall & Kathleen Carberry & Dick Walsh  
**who died recently**  
& Darren O'Sullivan whose  
anniversary occurs at this time.

### **Easter Dues**



**DONATE**

Many thanks to all  
those who have paid their Easter Dues on  
line on our website [www.jbmparish.com](http://www.jbmparish.com)  
button.  
You may also make your weekly  
contribution in this way.  
Donations may also be dropped into the let-  
ter box at the Parish Office.

### **Christy Wall RIP**

It is with great sadness that we report the  
death of Christy Wall on **Wednesday 6th**  
**May 2020**. He made a valued contribution  
to **St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church** as our  
caretaker for many years. No job was a  
problem to him and he did his work with  
great pride and humour often anticipating  
work that needed to be done before  
asked. We offer our deepest  
Sympathies to his son Aidan, his daughter  
Eleanor and all his family at this time.  
**Ar dheis Dé a raibh a anam.**

### **Schedule for May, Month of Our Lady** **On our live-streaming service is as follows:**

#### **Monday**

Stations of the Cross  
(After 10.30am Mass)

#### **Wednesday**

Guided Rosary on Caring for Creation after 10.30am Mass  
Evening Prayer of the Church  
With quiet prayer and reflection 7.30pm

#### **Friday**

Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary with reflection  
(after 10.30am Mass)

#### **Saturday**

Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help  
(during 10.30 Mass)

#### **Tuesday & Thursday**

10.30am Mass

#### **Sunday**

12 noon Mass

**St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church will be open**  
**each day from 12 noon to 4pm and St.**  
**Mary's, Ballygunner from 9.30p to 2pm.**  
**Please observe self distancing protocol & use**  
**hand sanitizers provided.**

### **St.Vincent de Paul**

**With Church Gate collections and other local**  
**fundraising on hold in this time of greater**  
**need St. Vincent de Paul are asking people to**  
**continue to donate on line at [svp.ie](http://svp.ie) or by**  
**phoning 0818 176 176. You can direct your**  
**donation to your local conference if you wish.**  
**All donations will be gratefully received in**  
**this time of need.**

Message for children and their  
parents from **Gael Scoil Phortláirge** who were  
due to receive First Holy Communion on Sunday.  
Sunday was to be a special day for the girls and  
boys in Gael Scoil Phortláirge. This was to be their  
First Holy Communion day. The children are going  
to join us on the live streaming service for Mass at  
12noon. We look forward to including them in the  
mass in every possible way. I hope they will join in  
the singing at home and also join in with the  
prayers they learned for First Holy Communion.  
We all look forward to the great day when we will  
be able to celebrate First Holy communion in our  
church. In the meantime, I hope all the children  
and their families are keeping safe and well in these  
difficult times and to assure you of our prayers.

### **Call to Chat**



**And stay connected**

**For older people**

....feel like a chat with someone?



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**Ask for CALL to CHAT**



**An initiative of**  
**Waterford Libraries**  
**and Waterford Older**  
**People's Council**



### **Accord's new & confidential** **'Relationships Support Phone Line'** **Over 100 callers report relationship** **problems on Accord's** **support phone lines**

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60 minutes in duration and are charged at a  
local rate.