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MASS TIMES

ST. JOSEPH & ST. BENILDUS

MONDAY TO SATURDAY(EXCEPT HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION)

7.30A.M AND 10.30AM

Sun: Vigil 6.30pm Sun:10am and 12 pm

Holy Days: 6.30pm Vigil and

11am.

No 7.30am Mass Bank Hols

CONFESSIONS

Confessions immediately after 10.30 Mass Saturdays and by request via the parish office.

Mass Times,

St. Mary's, Ballygunner

Sun: Vigil 7pm Sun: 11am.

Holy Days: 7pm Vigil & 11am.

IF YOU WISH TO PREPARE NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

15th Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Is 55:10-11

Ps 64:10-14.

Rm 8:18-23.

Mt 13:1-23

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5th July 2020

Out of the Mouths of Babes:

How often do we laughingly say, "....Out of the mouths of babes!" We usually say it when one of the junior members of our family has stated a glaring or embarrassing truth. To children, the truth is black and white, but the older we get the more we tend to complicate issues that really ought to be very simple. Perhaps we want to disguise truths that make us feel uncomfortable. Whatever the reasons, as we get older the truth is harder for us to recognise.

Today Jesus criticizes the religious leaders who over—complicate the law. Jesus was concerned for those people at the bottom of the social heap who could not live up to the six hundred and thirteen commandments of the Jewish law. Jesus' intention was not to do away with the law, but he could not support the lawyers who spent their time manufacturing new and insufferable burdens for broken people. To the broken people Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

The demands of the twenty first century put many challenges our way. Our lives are complicated and overly burdened. We look for the solutions to our problems in lifestyle magazines and in bottles of pills, no longer able to recognise simple truths. Why don't we look more to God for solutions? God wants us all to have peace and fulfilment; all we have to do is to yield to God's agenda. The smallest child knows the difference between what is important and what is not. Why can't we?

When Jesus says, "My burden is light," he does not mean that Christianity is an easy way out ... he simply means that his demands aren't weighed down with rules and regulations that we aren't capable of meeting. "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

Please pray for those whose Birthday or Anniversary occurs:



Declan Grogan, Declan & Kathleen O'Connell,

Louis & Alice Fitzgerald, Elizabeth & Charlie Ware,

Michael & Mary Walsh, Gerald Stack,

And the Month's Mind of Dick Walsh (& daughter Rosalind)

St. Joseph & St. Benildus

4th/5th July 2020

11th/12th July 2020

6.30pm. Sat

10.00am Sunday:

12 noon Sunday

Peter Foskin

Don Kennedy

St. Mary's, Ballygunner

7.00pm Sat:

(M.M.) John Caulfield

11.00a.m Sunday:

Brendan Murray

Reopening of churches: Parish of St Joseph, St Benildus and St Mary FÁILTE AR AIS

We are delighted to welcome parishioners back to our celebration of Sunday Eucharist . For the past few months we have been restricted to our livestreaming service. While pleased to have this facility, it is not the same as our usual Sunday gathering.

Unfortunately, we are still restricted to 50 people in our churches. This will remain in effect until July 20th when we expect the numbers to increase to 100.

As you can see, we have done everything possible to comply with Government safety regulations and protocols. We have reached our limit for reserved seating in both churches. However, there is limited availability in the church hall, where there will be livestreaming of Mass and where Ministers of the Eucharist will be present.

If other parishioners wish to book for weekend Masses after July 20th, please contact the parish office 051 878977



St. Mary's National School is seeking applications for the role of **Full-time Caretaker/ Facilities Coordinator**.

The following list of duties and responsibilities is not exhaustive but gives an indicator of the type and level of activity expected of this role.

- Grounds Maintenance Traffic Management Pest Control Fire & Safety Management Cleaning Security Building Maintenance Waste Management Furniture Maintenance Building Fabric Maintenance Energy Management Attend Green committee meetings Engagement with third parties' vendors and working groups as required.
- Essential Criteria Caretaker/ Maintenance: I year Fluent English • Garda Vetted • Ability to plan, target and achieve in respect of multiple, concurrent tasks • Flexible and proactive approach to working hours and tasks • Have or be prepared to undertake study in Health and Safety, Fire Safety, First Aid, and any other training deemed beneficial.
- Personal Criteria: Ability to work on own initiative.
 Highly motivated Attention to detail Excellent communication skills.
 Flexible and able to interact with people at all levels.
- Working Hours: 5 days per week (Mon-Fri): 08:00am-16:00pm. Location: Ballygunner, Waterford.

To apply for this position please send your updated CV to Chairman, Board of Management, at the following email address: parishofficejbm@gmail.com The closing date for all applications is close of business Monday 6th July 2020. St. Mary's National School is an Equal Opportunities Employer

St. Mary's National School is seeking applications for the role of a **Full-time School Secretary/ Office Administrator** The following list of duties and responsibilities is not exhaustive but gives an indicator of the type and level of activity expected of this

- GDPR compliance of school office. Manage day to day office tasks. Manage school reception area. Management of incoming and outgoing post. Manage internal communication updates via different platforms. Prepare and draft internal communication documents for management. Engage with third party suppliers as required. Administration of school website and twitter account. Coordinate and drive the enrolment procedure. Assist API and AP2 Staff Members as required.
- Essential Criteria Experience in secretary/ administrator role: 3-5 years. Fluent English. Garda Vetted. Experience using the following systems and applications: Office 365 to include (Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, One Note, One Drive, and Teams) Aladdin, Aladdin Connect, POD and phone. Experience operating in paperless environment. Ability to plan, target and achieve in respect of multiple, concurrent tasks. Flexible and pro-active approach to working hours and tasks. Have or be prepared to undertake study in Health and Safety, Admin, First Aid, Child Protection, and any other training deemed beneficial.
- Personal Criteria Ability to work on own initiative or as part of a team Highly motivated Attention to detail Excellent communication skills in both written and spoken English Ability to prioritise work and work to deadlines Flexible and able to interact with people at all levels.
- Working Hours: 5 days per week (Mon-Fri): 08:30am-16:30pm. Location: Ballygunner, Waterford.

To apply for this position please send your updated CV to Chairman, Board of Management, at the following email address: parishof-ficejbm@gmail.com The closing date for all applications is close of business Monday 6th July 2020. St. Mary's National School is an Equal Opportunities Employer.

IRISH HOSPICE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT LINE

Have you been impacted by a bereavement during COVID-19? Are you finding it more difficult to cope with a pre-Covid bereavement at this time? Would it help to talk to someone in confidence about your loss? The Irish Hospice Foundation Bereavement Support Line is a national freephone service 1800 80 70 77 which is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19

(Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.