

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

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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

27th Sept 2020

Gospel Reflection for the Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time.



Change of Heart

A father asks two sons to go and work in the vineyard. The first son says that he won't but changes his mind and does. The second son says that he will but doesn't bother.

Which son do we identify with? The first son speaks to those of us who have embraced Christ's teaching late in life. Yet again Jesus is telling us that those who have managed a change of heart are as important to him if not more important than those who think they've got everything right.

The second son speaks to those of us who have lots of good intentions, but at the end of the day the evidence of discipleship amounts to little more than lip service.

Originally this parable was aimed at the Pharisees who didn't feel they needed to change how they lived. Like the Pharisees we might feel that we are upright church going people, but that doesn't mean there isn't plenty we need to address.

We still live in a world where there's plenty to put right. God's vineyard needs workers who will say 'yes' to God's plan, and more importantly, get stuck into the job.

For those of us who have lived our lives doing the same old things it might be very difficult to turn around a pattern of poor or ineffectual behaviour, but we only need to talk to a reformed offender or a reformed addict to know that a change of heart is not beyond any of us.

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.

CHURCH CLEANING AFTER MASS

Please be aware that St. Joseph & St. Benildus church is closed for cleaning after daily Mass. It reopens for private prayer from 1.00 to 4.00pm.

<i>St. Joseph & St. Benildus</i>	<i>26th/27th Sept 2020</i>	<i>3rd/4th Oct 2020</i>
6.30pm. Sat	Martin Carroll Eileen Power Gay Murphy	Bob, Bid & Josephine Power
10.00am Sunday:	James & Mary Quinlan	Ann Cooke
12 noon Sunday	Pat Ellickson	
<i>St. Mary's, Ballygunner</i>		
7.00pm Sat:	Anthony Bolger	Paddy Walsh
11.00a.m Sunday:		Joan, John & Pat Pierce Edward Donegan

NEXT

SUNDAY'S READINGS :

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 5:1-7.

Ps 79:9, 12-16, 19-20.

Phil 4:6-9.

Mt 21:33-43

Please pray for those who died recently

Frank Malthouse

Robert O'Keeffe



Those whose Birthday or Anniversary occurs:

Olga Bagriy,

Paul Foley,

Michael Quinlan,

Martin Carroll,

Patricia Curtin,

Ormond & Mary Petersen.

Stewards Needed : Weekend Masses

We currently have 2 groups of stewards who have been stewarding every second week for the past 14 weeks. We would like to have 4 groups, whereby each group would only have to steward once a month.

In order to do this, we need more volunteers. Please consider volunteering as we need your support. If you can help, please give your name to one of the stewards or contact the parish office



Church Seating Arrangements



In St. Joseph & Benildus church, seats are divided into 2 pods of 50, each being within guidelines. It is essential to follow the stewards' directions, as the 2 pods must remain separate.

You are kindly asked not to move from one section of the church to the other. Please remain at the side of the church to which you were directed when you entered the building, in other words, move either to the right or left as directed, and please remain on that side.

This is for the safety of everybody present, and to ensure that we can continue to remain open.

The congregation in St. Mary's is still limited to 50 because of the size of the church.

PARISH PASTORAL WORKER

The parish of St. Joseph, St. Benildus & St. Mary's is now inviting applications for the position of Parish Pastoral Worker. Applicants must have a primary degree in theology / religious education, or equivalent, as well as relevant experience.

The closing date for receipt of applications including C.V is Friday 2nd October at 5pm.

Please send applications to :

liampowerwaterford@gmail.com

Shortlisting will take place immediately thereafter.

Interviews are scheduled to take place in October.

The Job Description is available from the Parish Office at parishofficejbm@gmail.com

Last Sunday's Collection

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Thank You for your generosity

PARISH OFFICE

Please note that access to the Parish Office is through the Parish Centre (via the outside door at the rear of the building), and not through the church. Phone 051 878977 or email : parishofficejbm@gmail.com

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday & Tuesday 9am - 5pm / Lunch 1- 2pm

Wednesday 9am to 3.00pm / Lunch 1-2pm

Thursday 8.30am to 3.00pm / Lunch 1-2pm.

Friday 8.30am to 5.00pm / Lunch 1-2pm.

ANNUAL AUTUMN COLLECTION

The annual Autumn Collection for the support of the priests of the parish will be taken up this weekend. (Sat/Sun 26th/27th Sept).
Thank you for your generosity.

ATTENTION : ENVELOPE DISTRIBUTORS

The envelopes for the annual Autumn Collection are available in the Parish Office. We appreciate your help in distributing same.



Liturgy Group meeting : Monday 28th Sept at 7pm (Zoom Meeting)

Livestreaming of Masses:

www.churchservices.tv/stjosephswaterford

www.churchservices.tv/stmarysballygunner

SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment.

The season will be marked here in the parish of St. Joseph, St. Benildus and St. Mary during the weekend of October 4th.

EVENING PRAYER

takes place
Wednesday, at
6.30pm.

You are welcome to join us in person or via

livestreaming at :
www.churchservices.tv/stjosephswaterford



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