

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

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6th Sept 2020

The Gospel is from St. Matthew 18:15-20.

Unfortunately, there are far too many Christians today who pay no heed to the serious obligation of encouraging an erring brother to give up his sinful ways. They shrug it off by saying: "I have more than enough to do to keep myself from sin" or "am I my brother's keeper"? The answer is in this lesson we have just read. We are our brothers' keepers, and even if we have many temptations and inclinations to sin we shall not overcome them if we have no time to think of our neighbours' need.

Let us see our present-day obligations and what we are doing to help our neighbours retain their Christian faith and practice. How much of the indifference to religion which the youth of today seems to be showing is due to lack of parental example? How many children of Christian families grow up in families where the Christian faith meant little or nothing to their parents? It is in the home that the religion of the next generation is firmly established or lost. When parents are loyal to their faith in their daily lives, their children will, as a rule, be loyal to it too; where parents are careless and lax their children will be still more careless and more lax.

Have we all really tried to help our fellowmen on the road to heaven? Have we given them the good example of a truly Christian way of living? Have we offered advice and encouragement when it was needed, and correction in private where that was possible? If so "we have gained our brother." We have brought a prodigal son back to a loving Father and that loving Father will repay us a hundred-fold in this life and especially in the next.

Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

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.

NEXT

SUNDAY'S READINGS :

24th Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Eccles 27:30-28:7.

Ps 102:1-4, 9-12.

Rm 14:7-9.

Mt 18:21-35.

<i>St. Joseph & St. Benildus</i>	<i>05/06 Sept 2020</i>	<i>12th/13th Sept 2020</i>
6.30pm. Sat	John Walsh	Jimmy Shanahan
10.00am Sunday:		(M.M) Eugene Murphy
12 noon Sunday	Mary Mescall	Michael Smyth
<i>St. Mary's, Ballygunner</i>		
7.00pm Sat:	John & Bridget Keane Rosie Morrissey Tony Barden	(M.M) Michael Furlong Michael & Margaret O'Sullivan
11.00a.m Sunday:	(M.M) Mary Kenny (& Luke Kenny / Mary Kenny Wedding Anniversary)	Anna Doyle Gary O'Keeffe

Please pray for those whose Month's Mind

occurs

Mary Kenny



Those whose Birthday or Anniversary

occurs:

Timothy Daly,
Richard & Rita Fitzpatrick
Mary Aylward,
Cyril O'Regan,
Bridie & Ned Dunne,
Margaret Anne Munney,
Maureen Malone,
Tom Gormley.

Weekend Mass:

Seating Arrangements

At the moment, we do Not have reserved seats at weekend Masses, but because of Government restrictions, we must assign seats on a "first come" basis.

Seats are marked with a green tick and are 2 metres apart. Where there are 2 or more ticks together, only those from the same household can sit there.

Above all, Please maintain social distancing and Do Not sit too close to anyone else.

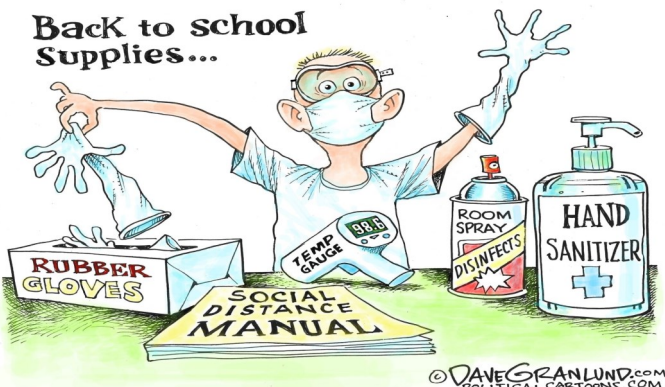
In St. Joseph & Benildus church, seats are divided into 2 pods of 50, each being within guidelines. It must be emphasised that it is Essential to follow the stewards' directions, as the 2 pods must remain separate.

As a result, you are kindly asked Not to move from one side 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.

Back to school Supplies...



*Last Sunday's
Collection
€1,610*

Thank You for
your generosity

Livestreaming of Masses:

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

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.

It can also be contacted by phone
051 878977 or email :
parishofficejbm@gmail.com

**PARISH OF ST. JOSEPH,
ST. BENILDUS & ST MARY'S
ALPHA ONLINE
STARTED VIA ZOOM**



Thursday 3rd September 2020

8.00pm – 9.30pm

**Venue: THE COMFORT OF YOUR HOME!
YOU CAN STILL BOOK YOUR PLACE !**

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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.

**EVENING PRAYER will take place this Wednesday,
at 6.30pm.** Please note change of time.

Thanks to Vincent !!

Many thanks to Vincent, the Sacristan in St. Joseph & Benildus church, for his tremendous work throughout the month of August at the practice nights and the ceremonies of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Ceremonies took place each weekend, and there was a practice the evening before each one.

Keys found:

**A set of keys was handed in to the
office and may be claimed by its
owner ! 051 878977**



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The monthly collection for the Saint Vincent de Paul society takes place this weekend after each Mass in the parish. Thank you for your ongoing generosity.

Please note: items for inclusion in the Newsletter must be received by Tuesday 11am of the week prior to printing. jbmnews@gmail.com