

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

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## Welcome!



*We are very pleased to  
welcome our new Curate,  
Fr. PJ Breen, to our parish.*

Fr P.J. (Patrick) Breen was born in Dublin and grew up in Abbesside, Dungarvan. He studied at St Patrick's College, Maynooth, and at the Milltown Institute, Dublin, and was ordained priest in 2002. He is also a secondary school teacher and taught in Dublin for eighteen years both before and after ordination. He has also worked in an inner city parish in Dublin and in  
Tramore.

We look forward to getting to know him over the upcoming weeks.

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

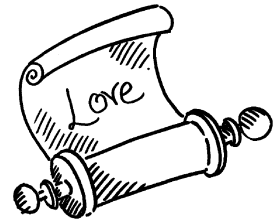
Gospel Reflection for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

9 May 2021

## Love's Guarantee

Do you jump out of bed in the morning with feelings of purpose and joy, or do you drag yourself out of bed with feelings of boredom or even dread?

Today Jesus is giving us a recipe for joy. If we determine to love our neighbours, our lives will inevitably be filled with huge purpose and great happiness. That's a guarantee! This is another guarantee. If we all knew how to love, the world would be a happier place, and as a happier place it would also be a more peaceful and a safer place in which to live.



We probably think we already know what love is, but today's challenge is to think of how many ways in which we can love. We are encouraged to think of love in practical terms. Perhaps we could start with our families, letting them know how much we appreciate them and how proud we are of them. Do we need to think of people we haven't forgiven, or wrongs that we haven't put right? Perhaps there are people we have given up on instead of seeking to understand. Do we tend to put ourselves first on a regular basis? Are there people we have overlooked or ignored? Are we lazy about educating ourselves as to the way other people live and the problems they face? Do we remember to love the strangers that we meet every day, offering them respect and a helping hand? Do we share love in the workplace, remembering not to gossip and to pull our weight? Do we remember to share our time, our money, our skills and our talents? Most importantly do we ever stop and imagine what it would be like to walk in someone else's shoes.

The gospel's promise is that if we start each day determining to spread God's love, we will start to feel more complete. We will be filled with a joy for life. That's a guarantee!

## Booked Masses

8/9 May

15/16 May

### St. Joseph & St. Benildus

7:00 pm Vigil

Michael Phelan  
Patrick O'Keefe and his  
daughter Susan Gregory (1 A)

12 noon Sunday

Catherine Renee Purcell (MM)  
Frank Cooke

Ruth McAvinue (A)

### St. Mary's, Ballygunner

7.00pm Saturday:

11.00am Sunday:

Christy O'Sullivan (3rd A)  
Darren O'Sullivan (28th A)  
and in Loving Memory of his  
mother Phyllis O'Sullivan

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for May:

Universal Intention — The world of finance —

*Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.*

**This Week at a glance in the Parish and in the Diocese:**

**Week of Monday May 10th - Saturday May 15th**

[For the full texts of Daily Mass Readings, click here](#)

Mon 10th	7:30 am Mass	
	10:30am Mass	Mass Intention: Catherine McGrath
Tues 11th	7:30 am Mass	
	10:30am Mass	Mass Intention: Malachy & Mary-Anne Moynihan
Wed 12th	7:30 am Mass	
	10:30am Mass	Mass Intention: Special intentions of beloved Friends and Family of Mary Moynihan
Wed 12th	11:00 AM	<b>Wednesday Morning Coffee Hour</b> <a href="#">Coffee Morning Zoom Link</a> Meeting ID: 750 6591 3461      Passcode: 0qGsFd
Wed 12th	4:45pm	<b>Evening Prayer of the Church</b>
Wed 12th	8:00 – 9.15pm May 5th – June 16th	 <b>“Rooted” Lectio Divina Series</b> The Diocese of Waterford & Lismore presents "Rooted" a 7-week Lectio Divina series for those interested in learning how to pray with Scripture. The series is designed for beginners and is open to anyone in the Diocese of Waterford & Lismore. To secure your place email <a href="mailto:events@waterfordlismore.ie">events@waterfordlismore.ie</a> or call Emma on 085 8623705
Thurs 13th	7:30 am Mass	
	10:30am Mass	Mass Intention: Michael & Kathleen Heffernan and their sons Noel and Barry (A)
Thurs 13th	9:00 am	<b>Prayer and Praise</b> <a href="#">Prayer &amp; Praise Zoom Link</a> Meeting ID: 899 4117 8783      Passcode: 079339
Friday 14th	7:30 am Mass	
	10:30am Mass	Mass Intention: Mary Burke-Moynihan (Birth. Rem.)
	12:00 noon Mass	<b>Feast - St. John Baptist de La Salle</b>
Sat 15th	10:30am Mass	



**Pray for those who died recently:**

Connie Lonergan, Claire Liddane

**Those whose Month's Mind Occurs this week**

Catherine Renee Purcell

**And those whose Birthday or Anniversary occur this week**

Dick Walsh (1st A), Catherine McGrath (A), Malachy & Mary-Anne Moynihan (A),  
Michael & Kathleen Heffernan and their sons Noel & Barry (A), Mary Burke-Moynihan (Birth. Rem)

**“God’s love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son, so that we could have life through him.”**

**Are you open to the call to be sent into the world as a priest or consecrated religious, that others might live in Christ?**

If you think God may be offering you this grace, Speak to your local priest or email : [info@vocations.ie](mailto:info@vocations.ie)

**Easter Water** is available in the church.

**Please bring your own bottle.**



**Your priest is someone's son... Your son could be someone's priest. Pray for vocations!**