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St Joseph & St Benildus Fr Liam Power

Service Times St. Joseph & Benildus

Weekday Masses:

No 7:30 am mass in August

Monday - Saturday 10:30am

Holy Days

6:30 vigil & 10:30 am

Evening Prayer of the Church

Finished for the summer

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6:30 pm

Sunday Mass:

10:00 am & 12:00 noon

St. Mary's:

Weekday Masses:

First Fridays 9:30 am (Sep-Jun)

Holy Days

11:00 am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm

Sunday Mass:

11:00 am

Gospel Reflection for the Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Feeding Faith

We are half a century on from the first moon landing; yet as time goes by, the murmurings that it might never have happened gather momentum. "How could the flag be fluttering on an atmosphere free moon?" "How did the astronauts take such stunning photographs with apparent multiple light sources when their only light source was the sun?" It seems that when anyone makes an incredible claim, there will be those who seek to discredit it. It's far easier to pick holes in and amazing claim than to support it. It's good that we have questioning minds, but what if



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our questions lead us up a blind alley where we are suddenly incapable of belief.

Put yourself In Jesus' shoes. You've worked inexplicable miracles, not least the feeding of five thousand with just five loaves and two fishes. Now you try to explain to the crowds that your miracle wasn't just about feeding a bunch of hungry people, your miracle was a sign of your divinity. "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." The people have a hard time believing your claim. Even though they've witnessed your great miracle, they mutter to each other. "Who's he trying to kid ... we knew his parents and we know where he's from ... how can he have come down from heaven?" Maybe the crowds were looking for more signs ... more miracles! If we were in Jesus' shoes we might have obliged with a few more miracles, but Jesus knows that this is not the answer. Instead, he makes us a promise. "I am the bread of life, anyone who eats this bread will live forever." If we share in Christ's Eucharist, our faith will be nourished and we will inherit everlasting life.

Upcoming Masses

7/8 August

14/15 August

St. Joseph & St. Benildus

6:30 pm Vigil Billy & Mary Murphy 10:00 am Gene Murphy (1st A)

12 noon

St. Mary's, Ballygunner

7.00 pm:

11.00am: Mary Kenny (1st A)

Alan Murphy (MM) John, Tracy & Johnny Byrne, & Edward & Lelia Collins Noeleen & Connie Lonergan

Michael Furlong (1st A)
Kathleen, Tom, Alan Leahy,
Richard & Ellen Quilty
& siblings

Richard Murray (Birth Rem.)



Pray for those who died recently, whose Month's Mind Occurs this week,

Alan Murphy

And those whose Birthday or Anniversary occurs this week: Tom & May Delaney, Agnes Devins, Sean Maher

Pope Francis' Universal Intention for August: The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel

This Week at a glance in the Parish and in the Diocese: Week of Sunday August 8th - Saturday August 14th

For the full texts of Daily Mass Readings, click here

Sun 8th	4:00 pm Mass	Syro-Malalabar Catholic Church (SMCC) (St. Joseph & Benildus)
Mon 9th	10:30 am Mass	
	12:30 pm	Friendship Lunch: Cove Bar All are welcome.
Tues 10th	10:30 am Mass	Mass Intention: Agnes Devins (3rd A)
Weds 11th	10:30 am Mass	Mass Intention: Sean Maher
	11:15 am	Wednesday Morning Coffee Hour (outdoors, weather permitting) In case of inclement weather, please bring your Covid certificate to allow us to gather
Thurs I2th	10:30 am Mass	indoors safely and in compliance with current Covid 19 restrictions.
Fri 13th	10:30am Mass	
Sat 14th	10:30am Mass	
	Priests are availa	able to hear confessions every Saturday morning after Mass in St. Benildus Church



FRIENDSHIP LUNCH

Friendship lunches resume this month.

Monday, August 9th - The Cove Bar at 12:30pm
Cost: €9.50 per person for Lunch & coffee/tea
Please ring Parish Office on Monday morning if you
wish to attend or just turn up

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Apocalypse 11:19, 12:1-6, 10

Psalm 44:10-12, 16, R/ v10

1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Luke 1:39-56

Wednesday Coffee Morning

As long as the weather remains dry, the Coffee Morning will continue outdoors. But, at some point we will need to move indoors. When this happens, we will need to comply the Covid regulations and ask to see your Covid 19 Vaccination



Items for inclusion in the Newsletter must be received by Tuesday II am of the week prior to printing: jbmnews@gmail.com

All Masses can be viewed via livestream:
St. Joseph & Benildus or St. Mary's Ballygunner

If you wish to donate, all payments to the Parish can be made via

the donate button on our website Thank you.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9am to 5:00pm Lunch I-2pm
Tuesday 9am to 5:00pm Lunch I-2pm
Wednesday 9am to 3.00pm Lunch I-2pm
Thursday 9am to 3.00pm Lunch I-2pm
Thursday 9am to 5.00pm Lunch I-2pm
Friday 9am to 5.00pm Lunch I-2pm
The Parish Office is closed to the public until further notice but may be contacted by phone on 051 878977 or email: parishofficejbm@gmail.com

Youth for Online *****

Youth 2000 Summer Festival for aged 16-35 years olds Online from 13-15th August at youth2000.ie.

The weekends masses will be celebrated in person

St. Paul's Church, Lisduggan, Waterford
Friday Mass – 8.00pm
Saturday Mass – 4.00pm &
Healing and Reconciliation Service – 8.30pm
Sunday Closing Mass – 2.30pm

You will not want to miss this! Register now to hear inspiring workshops, moving testimonies and excellent talks from our keynote speaker Fr. Aelred Magee OSCO.

For more details visit <u>youth2000.ie</u>