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St Joseph & St Benildus Fr Liam Power

Service Times St. Joseph & Benildus

Weekday Masses: 7:30 am & 10:30 am Saturdays 10:30 am only Holy Days ( unless on a Sat ) 6:30 vigil, 7.30 am & 10:30 am

Night Prayer 8 pm - 8.30 pm (via Zoom only) Saturday Vigil Mass: 6:30 pm Sunday Mass: 10:00 am & 12:00 noon

<u>St. Mary's</u>

Saturday Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm Sunday Mass: 11:00 am Holy Days 11:00 am

Readings : 1 st Sunday in Lent (06/03) Deut 26:4-10. Ps 90:1-2, 10-15. Rm 10:8-13. Lk 4:1-13. Gospel Reflection for the Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time 27/02/22



## Treasure Is Where Your Heart Is

We all know those people who are so crippled inside that they seem incapable of bringing a fair or rational perspective to a situation. Perhaps we are one of those people ourselves but totally fail to see it? Perhaps we are all crippled inside to lesser or greater degrees but would strongly argue it, bringing to bear all those flawed arguments we have stored in our

hearts for as long as we can remember.

Our hearts are where our treasure is stored. If we have good heart our words and actions will be good. It follows if our hearts are flawed our treasure will be flawed too, and our thoughts and actions will be misguided.

So how should we care for our hearts? Just as in our physical diet, we get out what we put in. If we live on a diet of pulp fiction, pulp fiction is all we will know. If we listen only to those with selfish agendas, greedy and selfish motives are all we will know. If we do only what is comfortable and safe, 'comfortable and safe' is all we will ever know. It is more than easy to become egocentric without ever seeing it coming. To those closest to us, our faults will be screamingly obvious. Sadly we will be the last to see what other people see.

Today's gospel is an invitation to start challenging the views that blind us to the possibility of becoming better and more productive people. Do we complain or gossip too often? Do we fail to forgive and forget? Do we hold views about groups of people of whom we know nothing at all. Do we spend too much time working and too little time with those we love? Do we have very set or narrow views on religion, politics, money, or society as a whole? It is hard to change our beliefs, especially if we don't even recognise them as 'planks'. A good starting point might be to open our eyes to someone we hugely admire and model our thinking on theirs. What starts off as an exercise could quickly become a life changing habit.

Upcoming Masses	26/27 Feb 2022	6th/7th Mar 2022
<i>St. Joseph &amp; St. Benil</i> 6:30 pm Vigil	<i>dus</i> Rosemary & John Goff	Gerard & Tish Sheridan
10:00 am	Anna Maher	Betty Wadding
12 noon	Aidan McAvinue	Breda & Michael O'Hanlon M.M Catherine O'Connell
<i>St. Mary's, Ballygunn</i> 7.00 pm:	er	Jack & Bridget Tierney & baby Kayla Tierney
11.00am:	Dickran Bogossian	Bernard Hayes



## Pray for those whose Birthday or Anniversary occurs around this time

Brian Lawrence, Agnes O'Brien, Josie Phelan,

Fr. Billy Lyons O.S A, Michael & Mary Fitzpatrick

### For those recently deceased :

Maura Ryan (née Gaule ),

Maura Keane (née Condon ),

Mary Baxter ( née Kenny ),

Anastasia (Stella ) Collins ( née McGrath ),

Condon ), Nellie Farrell ( née Walsh ),

lsh ), Phyllis Doolan

## Night Prayer

"Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am with you " *(Matt 18:20)* With Lent starting on Wednesday, we invite you to join us for Night Prayer

( Mon—Fri,

(1101—11), 8.00—8.25pm). Approximately 20/25

people gather on Zoom for music, reflection and Psalm. Have no fear, no one is obliged

to speak ! Why not give it a go? Log in I.D : 943 588 4859



Anam Cara Waterford is launching a monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Tuesday 8th March at 7:20pm in the Woodlands Hotel, Waterford. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any gueries.

	PARISH OFFICE HOURS		
Monday	9am to 5:00pm	Lunch I-2pm	
Tuesday	9am to 5:00pm	Lunch I-2pm	
Wednesday	9am to 5.00pm	Lunch I-2pm	
Thursday	9am to 230pm	Lunch I-2pm.	
Friday	9am to 5.00pm	Lunch I-2pm	
Phone:	051 878977		
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## Waterford MABS

Are you struggling to make ends meet? Are you worried about money you owe to moneylenders, credit cards, banks and mortgage lenders? For free, confidential and independent advice please contact the Waterford Money

Advice and Budgeting Service 0818 072 050 or email Waterford@mabs.ie



Bridge Club The Bridge Club will recommence on Tuesday March 1st in The Parish Centre from 7.30—10.30pm. Contact Catherine O'Keeffe 083 843 8114 for further details.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday,, March 2nd . Masses will be celebrated in Sts.Joseph & Benildus church at 7.30 and 10.30am with distribution of Ashes.

## Changes to COVID restrictions

From Monday, Feb 28th, the wearing of masks becomes optional as more restrictions are removed. However, those who wish to wear masks in our churches are welcome to do so. Sanitisers will remain in place for some time to come. We look forward to welcoming more of our parishioners back to church over the coming weeks and months

**Bitesize :** If my heart could do my thinking, and my head begin to feel, I would look upon the world anew, and know what's truly real. *Van Morrison* 

# 64th Waterford & Lismore Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2022

- 5 Nights Full Board: 8th—13th June 2022
- Fly from Cork to Lourdes
- Optional return Coach to Cork
- Airport €27pp.
- Single Supp €33/€38 per night
- Walking Tour of Lourdes
- Daily programme
- Daily Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

From €729pps fully inclusive. Enquiries: Joe Walsh Tours 01 2410800

Email info@joewalshtours.ie In the interest of Health & Safety, it has been decided that this year no Assisted Pilgrims will be taken to the Acceuil. Hopefully 2023 will see a return to normal. All Staff and Pilgrims must be happy and capable of staying in hotels. There will be a full daily programme for the 5 days. Booking is open and can be made by contacting JWT ( details above ). There will Not be a Lourdes Office in Waterford this year.

All Masses can be viewed via livestream: <u>St. Joseph & Benildus</u> or <u>St. Mary's Ballygunner</u> If you wish to donate, all payments to the Parish can be made via the donate button on our website . **Thank you.** 

## NEWS ITEMS

Please contact : jbmnews@gmail.com OR the Parish Office <u>by</u> <u>lunchtime on the Tuesday before printing</u> if you wish to have items included in the following weekend's Newsletter.

