



Parish of St Joseph & St Benildus & St Mary

SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER 2024 – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS
Monday to Friday - 9 am to 1 pm

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Monday to Friday 11 am – 2 pm

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NEWSLETTER EMAIL ITEMS
Email: jbmnews@gmail.com by
Wednesday each week at 12 pm

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & CERTIFICATE REQUESTS
Email: parishofficejbm@gmail.com

FACEBOOK PAGE
www.facebook.com/josephand
benildus/

LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES
St. Joseph & Benildus Church
<https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-joseph-and-st-benildus-waterford>

St. Mary's Church
<https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-marys-church-waterford>

MASS & SERVICE TIMES
St Joseph & St Benildus Church
Mass: Sunday

5.45 pm Vigil (Saturday)
10.00 am – Children's Liturgy Mass
12.00 noon

Mass: Monday to Friday
7.30 am & 10.30 am

Mass: Saturday
10.30 am & Novena Prayer
Holydays of Obligation

5.45 pm Vigil, 7.30 am & 10.30 am
(or as announced)

Confessions
Saturday after 10.30 am Mass or on
request

St Mary's Church, Ballygunner
Mass: Sunday

7.15 pm Vigil (Saturday)
10.45 am

Holydays of Obligation
10.45 am (or as announced)

BOOKING MASS INTENTIONS
All intentions must be made through
the Parish Office only, either in person
or by telephone.

NIGHT PRAYER OF THE CHURCH
Monday to Friday at 8 pm
Zoom login: 943 588 4859

SAFEGUARDING
The Safeguarding Representatives for
the Parish of St. Joseph & St Benildus &
St. Mary's are Michael Maher and Mary
O'Sullivan. If you have a safeguarding
concern, contact the Diocesan
Designated Liaison Person, Fr John
Harris at 087 966 1959 or Anne Walsh
at 089 485 8845.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Every Wednesday
from 11 am to 2 pm at St. Joseph &
Benildus

RECENTLY DECEASED

John Brennan, Summerhill, Waterford
William Bennett, Grantstown Park, Waterford
Patrick Kennedy, Gracedieu Road, Waterford
Ruth McQuillan, Grantstown Village, Waterford
Teresa Furlong, Beechwood Ave, Waterford
William (Billy) Hearne, Ursuline Court, Waterford

ANNIVERSARIES / REMEMBRANCE

Maggie Doyle, Treasa Ni Eachthigearnn, Bob, Mary, Robert
& Maeve Quinn, Michael Coffey, Edward Nevins, Mary
Kiely, Kevin O'Riordan and the O'Riordan & O'Donnell
Families

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEKEND 7/8 DECEMBER 2024

St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church, Newtown

5.45 pm: Jim O'Mahony (Month's Mind)
Cissie Dwyer (First Anniversary)
Jimmy Dwyer (Anniversary)
John Hearne (Anniversary)
Breda Tyrrell (Anniversary)

10.00 am: Denis & Sarah Murphy & their son Seamus
(Anniversary)

12 Noon: Ben & Elizabeth Wadding (Anniversary)
Marie White & Paddy White (Anniversary)
Statia Warren (Anniversary)

St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner

7.15 pm: Richard & Kathleen Power (Anniversary)
Joe Sharpe (Remembrance)
William, Mary & Tony Sharpe (Remembrance)
Marian Sharpe (Remembrance)

10.45 am: Marilyn Brennan (Anniversary)
Paddy & Breda Dempsey (Anniversary)
Chacko Antony (Anniversary)
Carol Kinsella (Anniversary)

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS NEXT WEEKEND 14/15 DECEMBER 2024

St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church, Newtown

5.45 pm: Michael Gallagher (Month's Mind)
Vincent & Brenda McElroy (Anniversary)
Margaret Power (Anniversary)

10.00 am:
12 Noon: Phil, Breda, Noel & Anne Brady (Anniversary)

St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner

7.15 pm: Harry, Maureen & Maria Sharpe (Rem)
Gary Murphy (Anniversary)

10.45 am: Eamon Gavin (Anniversary)
Margaret Power, Woodstown (Anniversary)

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Sunday, 8th December is the calendar day for the
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. This year, the
8th December falls on a Sunday in Advent. The Feast of
the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated on
Monday, 9th December and therefore is not a holy day of
obligation. Masses will be celebrated at 7.30 am & 10.30
am in St. Joseph & Benildus Church. There will be no Mass
in St. Mary's Church.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASS

5 pm in St. Joseph and Benildus Church. To attend,
bookings must be made online via the link on our parish
website or Facebook page. The link will go live at 12 noon
on Thursday, 12th December. Please note, phone
bookings are not available.

HELP US CELEBRATE ST. MARY'S CHURCH!

We are collecting photographs and stories from the
community for the 200th Anniversary of St. Mary's
Church. Please forward any pictures or stories you may
have to the Parish Office.

CHURCH COLLECTION

30 November/1 December - € 2,706

CHANGE OF MASS TIME

Effective Sunday 8th December, the
9.30 am Mass at St. Joseph &
Benildus Church will be moved to 10
am. All other Mass times in the
Parish remain the same.

LOOP INDUCTION SYSTEM

For those who use hearing aids in St
Joseph & Benildus Church. The Loop
works automatically with digital
hearing aids. Any other hearing aids
please turn your position to T.

RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Monday, 16th December at 7:00 pm
at St. Joseph and St. Benildus Church.
This is a sacred time to experience
God's mercy and prepare our hearts
for Christ's coming. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS IN BENILDUS

Join us on Wednesday, December
18th at 7:30 p.m. in St. Joseph & St.
Benildus Church (doors open at 7:00
p.m.). Tickets are €20, available from
the Parish Office or by contacting
Phyllis O'Shea at 087-9293553.
Don't miss this festive celebration,
bringing the community together to
enjoy the spirit of Christmas!

HELPING THE HOMELESS

This will be our third year
supporting Susie who feeds the
homeless in Railway Square. Your
kindness and generosity enabled us
to gift nearly 40 Christmas bags last
year. All new clothes, toiletries,
chocolates etc. can be left in the
boxes at the back of St Joseph &
Benildus church or St Mary's Church
Ballygunner. Any supermarket Gift
Cards would also be welcome. Susie
and her team of volunteers are so
grateful for your support and
kindness.

LECTIO DIVINA – READING AND REFLECTING ON THE ADVENT SUNDAY GOSPELS

Thursday 12th December from 7:30
pm to 8:30 pm at Benildus Parish
Centre. All welcome!

FRIENDSHIP LUNCH

Monday, December 9th at 12.30 pm
at the Cove Bar, Dunmore Road,
Waterford. All very welcome.

PARISH LITTER PICKING GROUP
Volunteers required for the Parish
Litter Picking Group. If interested,
contact the Parish Office.

CHRISTMAS ECO IDEAS

This Christmas, consider renting a
tree! Many services now offer
delivery and collection, making it
hassle-free. Best of all, the tree keeps
growing after it's returned – a
greener way to celebrate!