



Parish of St Joseph & St Benildus & St Mary



SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER 2024 - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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FACEBOOK PAGE
www.facebook.com/josephandbenildus/

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

Confessions
Saturday after 10.30 am Mass
St Mary's Church, Ballygunner

Mass: Sunday
7.15 pm Vigil (Saturday)
10.45 am

Holydays of Obligation
10.45 am

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

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.

LOOP INDUCTION SYSTEM
Hearing aid users at St. Joseph & Benildus Church: digital aids work automatically, while others should switch to "T" for clear PA sound.

NO ADORATION on Wednesday 18th December. Resuming on Wednesday 8th January 2025.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Bernadette Delaney, Viewmount Park, Waterford
Sr Catherine Veale, Good Shepherd Sisters, Hennessy's Road, Waterford

Bridget (Breda) Peel (nee Frawley), The Sycamores, Dunmore Road, Waterford

Phyllis (Phyl) Browne, (nee O'Sullivan), Kingsmeadow, Waterford

ANNIVERSARIES / REMEMBRANCE
Mary Kennedy, Stephanie O'Keefe, Brendan Lea, Anthony Coakley, Bridget Kennedy, Patrick Dalton

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS THIS 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)
Stephen Rogers (Anniversary)
Jack & Mary Fitzpatrick (Anniversary)

10.00 am:
12 Noon: Kieran Walker (Month's Mind)
Phil, Breda Noel & Anne Brady (Anniversary)
Phyllis Doyle (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)

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS NEXT WEEKEND 21/22 DECEMBER 2024

St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church, Newtown
5.45 pm: Walter Walsh (Anniversary)
10.00 am: Bryan Fitzgerald (Birthday Remembrance)
Jack & Ellen Hatton (Anniversary)
Diarmuid O'Hegarty & Elizabeth O'Hegarty (Anniversary)

12 Noon: Joan & Tom Foskin (Anniversary)
Colm O'Connell (Remembrance)
Tom Widger (Anniversary)
Vera Frisby (Anniversary)
Joanie Warren (Anniversary)
Matthew Warren (Anniversary)

St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner
7.15 pm: Rosemary O'Connor (Anniversary)
10.45 am: Charles Murray (Anniversary)
Bertie Downes (Anniversary)
Jerry McCarthy (Anniversary)
John Nagle Snr (Anniversary)
Rita Foley (Birthday Remembrance)

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.

LECTIO DIVINA - READING AND REFLECTING ON THE ADVENT SUNDAY GOSPELS: Thursday 19th December from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm at Benildus Parish Centre. All welcome!

MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT needed in St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner Duties include landscaping, refuse management, weed control, grass cutting. No experience needed. Temporary contract (19.5 hours/week). Community Employment Rates apply. Contact Georgina Kiely Power at 051-875847 or via email at Georgina.kielypower@compactcommunity.ie

PHOTOS OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH needed for the 200th Anniversary of St. Mary's Church. If you have any, please forward them to the Parish Office.

CHURCH COLLECTION

7/8 December - € 2,523
RAFFLE AT CHRISTMAS IN BENILDUS CONCERT

Prizes with a total value of c. €1,000 will be raffled at the 'Christmas in Benildus Concert' on Wednesday 18th December. Tickets can be purchased before the concert commences on the night (doors open at 6.45 pm), during the interval or in advance from the Parish Office. Raffle tickets cost €5.00 for 1 strip, €10.00 for 3 strips, €20.00 for 8 strips. As always, your generosity is very much appreciated.

CHRISTMAS IN BENILDUS
Last chance to buy tickets for Christmas in Benildus Concert which will take place on Wednesday, December 18th at 7:30 p.m. in St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church (doors open at 6.45 p.m.). Tickets are €20, available from the Parish Office or by contacting Phyllis O'Shea at 087-9293553.

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.

NO 7.30 AM MASS on the week commencing Monday 23rd December 2024, week commencing Monday 30th December 2024 and week commencing Monday 6th January 2025. The 7.30 am Mass will re-commence on Monday 13th January 2025.

THIRD AGE IRELAND
Need someone to talk to this Christmas? Call SeniorLine, free every day 10am-10pm: 1800804591. Trained volunteers are here to listen and support.

ISHIARA SEA SWIM - ISHIARA PARISH PARTNERSHIP
Get ready for the St. Stephen's Day swim in Dunmore East at 12:30 pm! Sponsorship cards are at the back of the church. Take the plunge for our brothers and sisters in Kenya - or sponsor a brave family member!

CHRISTMAS ECO IDEAS
Help the environment by bringing a reusable bag when shopping.