



Parish of St Joseph & St Benildus & St Mary

SUNDAY 13 APRIL 2025 – PALM SUNDAY



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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)

11.00 am

Holydays of Obligation

11.00 am

BOOKING MASS INTENTIONS: must be made **through the Parish Shop** either in person, by phone or by email.

SAFEGUARDING: The Safeguarding Representatives for our Parish are Michael Maher and Mary O'Sullivan. If you have a safeguarding concern, contact the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person, Mr Stephen Plunkett at 085 1651518 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.

NIGHT PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

Pausing for Holy week. Resuming on Monday, April 28th at 8 pm. Zoom login: 943 588 4859

ADORATION: Wednesdays 11 am – 2 pm at St Joseph and St Benildus.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Anne Marie Nolan (nee Whitty), South Parade, Waterford

Henry P. Molloy, Rossduff, Knockhouse, Waterford

John Williams, Avondale, Waterford

ANNIVERSARIES / REMEMBRANCE

Tom Sheridan, Dave Cotter, Michael Murphy, Charlie Laphorne

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEKEND 12/13 APRIL 2025

St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church, Newtown

5.45 pm: Anna Butler (Anniversary)
Margaret Walsh (Anniversary) & Philip James Walsh (Birthday Remembrance)

10.00 am:

12 Noon: Philip O'Keeffe (Anniversary)

St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner

7.15 pm: Eileen Whitty (Anniversary)
Therese Mariani (Anniversary)
Barbara Purcell (Birthday Remembrance)

11.00 am: Nancy Aspel (1st Anniversary)
Delia Power (Anniversary)
Michael & Joanie Cummins (Anniversary)
John Upton (Anniversary)
John Mackey (Anniversary)

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS NEXT WEEKEND 19/20 APRIL 2025

St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church, Newtown

5.45 pm:

10.00 am:

12 Noon:

St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner

7.15 pm:

11.00 am:

RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY IN PATRICK

KAVANAGH'S POETRY: The last session will take place on Tuesday, April 15th, at 2:30 pm in the Parish Centre. Presented by Prof. Emeritus Michael Howlett. All are welcome. Book by emailing Fr. Liam at liampowerwaterford@gmail.com or just turn up on the day.

PARISH SHOP: Visit the parish shop for a beautiful selection of Easter Mass Bouquets, cards, and gifts to celebrate the season. We are also proud to offer the St Mary's 200th Anniversary commemorative book, a wonderful keepsake to honour our parish's bicentenary. **Special Opening Hours:** The shop will be closing at 12 midday on Holy Thursday and will reopen on Tuesday 22nd April at usual time of 11 am.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

Saturday April 19th after the 10:30 am Mass in St Joseph & St Benildus Church.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK BY BUS

Sunday, May 4th, under the leadership of Bishop Alphonsus Cullinan.

Departure times are as follows:

Tramore (Church Car Park): 6:30 a.m.

Waterford (Miller's Marsh Car Park): 7:00 a.m.

There will be a break at Tipperary on each journey. The return departure from Knock is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Tickets cost €35 and are available from the Parish Office.

LEGION OF MARY: Recruiting new and old members! Meeting on Wednesdays at 7 pm in the Parish Centre.

CHURCH COLLECTION

5/6 April - € 2,040

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday from 9 am to 1 pm. Please note that we will be unable to take calls or provide assistance outside of these hours.

FRIENDSHIP LUNCH: Monday April 14th at 12.30 pm at the Cove Bar, Dunmore Road. We would love to see new faces. No booking required, just show up.

NIGHT PRAYER: Please note that there will be no Night Prayer during Holy Week to encourage full participation in the Holy Week ceremonies. Night Prayer will resume on Monday, April 28th.

BRING & BUY SALE IN AID OF MSF GAZA: Thursday 24th April, from 10 am to 3 pm in St Joseph and St Benildus Church Hall.

- Donation of unwanted gifts, cakes, books, toys and plants in good condition gratefully accepted.
- Tea and coffee
- Raffle

Please join us and help support this urgent cause. To make a donation: www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/Deisemsfgaza11. Enquiries to 086 1758844 or 086 7367129.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED CHILDREN!

We warmly congratulate the children who were recently confirmed in our parish. A special acknowledgment goes to the confirmands from St John of God, St Mary's School, Ballygunner, Gaelcholáiste Phort Láirge, Newtown School, all the children in our community, and all those who prepared them.

JOIN US FOR HOLY WEEK AND THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Join us in the celebrations of Holy Week and the Easter Triduum. Together, we will walk with Our Lord through His passion, death, and glorious resurrection. We especially encourage you to attend our Penitential Service to encounter God's mercy and healing. In the spirit of renewal and grace, come and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation as we prepare our hearts for Easter. Whether it has been a while or just a short time, the Lord is always ready to welcome you home. Please refer to the full schedule at the back of this page for detailed information on all service times and venues.

Holy week Ceremonies

Date	Day	Time	Ceremony	Church
14/04/2025	Monday	7.30 am	Mass	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
		10.30 am	Mass	St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner
		After 10.30 am Mass	Confessions	St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner
		7.30 pm	Penitential Service	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
15/04/2025	Tuesday	7.30 am	Mass	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
		10.30 am	Mass	St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner
		After 10.30 am Mass	Confessions	St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner
16/04/2025	Wednesday	7.30 am	Mass	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
		10.30 am	Mass	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
		After 10.30 am Mass	Confessions	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
		11 am - 2 pm	Adoration	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
17/04/2025	Holy Thursday	5.45 pm	Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
		7.15 pm	Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper	St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner
		9:00 pm	Night Prayer	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
18/04/2025	Good Friday	12 Noon	Stations of the Cross	St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner
		3:00 pm	The Lord's Passion	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
		After 3 pm Ceremony	Confessions	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
		7.30 pm	Stations of the Cross	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
19/04/2025	Holy Saturday	11 am - 1 pm	Confessions	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
		6.30 pm	The Easter Vigil	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
		8:00 pm	The Easter Vigil	St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner
20/04/2025	Easter Sunday	10:00 am	Easter Day Mass	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church
		11:00 am	Easter Day Mass	St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner
		12 Noon	Easter Day Mass	SS. Joseph & Benildus Church

Walking with Christ: A reflection for Holy Week

Holy Week is the heart of our faith, a sacred journey with Jesus through His final days on earth. Each day invites us to slow down, reflect, and enter more deeply into the mystery of God's love.

- **Palm Sunday** begins the week with joyful hosannas, as Jesus enters Jerusalem. We wave palms in celebration, yet we know the road ahead leads to the cross. It is a reminder that joy and sorrow often walk hand in hand.
- **Holy Monday** and **Tuesday** invite us to linger with Jesus as He teaches in the temple. These quieter days are a chance to sit at His feet, to listen, and to prepare our hearts for what is to come.
- **Spy Wednesday** reminds us of Judas' betrayal. It's a day to examine our own hearts: are there ways we've turned from Jesus? Still, His love remains.
- **Holy Thursday** draws us to the table of the Last Supper. Jesus gives us the gift of the Eucharist and shows us how to love through humble service. "Do this in memory of me" becomes our call to live as He lived.
- **Good Friday** is solemn and still. We remember Christ's suffering and death. In the shadow of the cross, we see the depth of God's love, love that chose sacrifice over self.
- **Holy Saturday** is a day of quiet waiting. The tomb is sealed, and hope seems lost. But God is not done. In our own seasons of silence or grief, we hold on to the promise that light is coming.
- **Easter Sunday** bursts forth with joy! The tomb is empty, and Christ is risen. Sin and death are conquered. We are an Easter people, called to live with hope, courage, and joy

As we walk this week with Christ, may we come to know Him more deeply and celebrate more fully the gift of our salvation.