



Parish of St Joseph & St Benildus & St Mary

SUNDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2025



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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

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PARISH SHOP OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday 11 am – 2 pm

PARISH WEBSITE

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NEWSLETTER EMAIL ITEMS

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

Email: parishofficejbm@gmail.com

FACEBOOK PAGE

www.facebook.com/josephand
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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) **moving to**

6pm from 29th November

11.00 am

Holydays of Obligation

11.00 am

BOOKING MASS INTENTIONS:

Requests must be made **through the Parish office** in person, by phone or email. **Please include your name and phone number.**

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:

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8 pm. Zoom login: 943 588 4859

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Anthony Flynn, Thomond Green, Lismore Lawn, Waterford
Annie (Moll) Kelly, Hennessy's Road, Waterford

PRAYERS ALSO RECEIVED FOR: Thomas and Rina Aylward (Anniversary), Anna Kavanagh (Anniversary), Philip Joseph Lahert (Birthday Remembrance)

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEKEND 22/23 NOVEMBER 2025

St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church, Newtown

5.45 pm: Gerard Hogan (Anniversary)
Beryl Roche (Anniversary)
Margaret Power (Anniversary)
May Power (Anniversary)

10.00 am: Peter Russell (Anniversary)

12 Noon: Angela Browne (Month's Mind)
Nicola Doheny (Anniversary)
Sean Carroway (Anniversary)
Nora Kennedy (Anniversary)

St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner

7.15 pm: John O'Rourke (Month's Mind)

11.00 am: Michael Brennan (1st Anniversary)
Eamonn O'Brien (1st Anniversary)
Tony Clancy (1st Anniversary) & sister in law Gerardine Fahey (Remembrance)
Annam Chacko (Anniversary)
Rita Foley (Anniversary)
Nicholas & Joan Phelan (Anniversary)
John & Eileen Mooney (Anniversary)
Michael Kiely (Anniversary)

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS NEXT WEEKEND 28/29 NOVEMBER 2025

St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church, Newtown

5.45 pm:

10.00 am: Katie & Michael Lee (Anniversary)

12 Noon: Canice Cantwell (Anniversary)
David & Margaret Fenton (Anniversary)
Anthea O'Donoghue (Anniversary)
Joe & Joan Costello (Anniversary)

St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner

6.00 pm: James O'Keeffe (Month's Mind)

James Hartley (Anniversary)
Sr M. Callistus Devine – St John of God (Anniversary)
Frances Sharpe (Anniversary)
John, Anne, Paddy, Rosie, Jim, May & Margaret Morrissey (Remembrance)

11.00 am: Liam Jackman (1st Anniversary)

Paddy & Breda Dempsey (Anniversary)
James & Patricia Griffin (Anniversary)
Hugh Nugent (Anniversary)
Gay Brannigan (Anniversary)
Mark O'Sullivan (Birthday Remembrance)

TIME CHANGE: From Saturday 29th November Vigil Mass in St. Mary's will move to 6pm.

CHRISTMAS IN ST. JOHN'S: Wed 10 Dec at 7.30pm, with St. John's Parish Choir, St Declan's NS Choir, Waterpark NS Choir, Edmund Rice Choral Society, Sacred Heart Simply Singing Group, and The Barrack Street Concert Band. A collection in aid of the Order of Malta Ireland Ambulance corps – Waterford unit will be made after the concert.

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD OF REV. STUART MCGOVERN: Sun 23 Nov at 3.00 pm in The Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity. All are welcome.

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 15 Dec – 7.30 pm: Reconciliation Service (SS Joseph & Benildus)

Wed 17 Dec – 7.30 pm: Children's Carol service (SS Joseph & Benildus)

Mon 22 Dec – 7.30 pm: Christmas in Benildus (Concert)

CHURCH COLLECTION

15/16 November - €2,220

PARISH SHOP – CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUETS & GIFT ITEMS NOW AVAILABLE:

We also have a beautiful selection of Christmas gifts to help you prepare for the season. From cards and candles to nativity sets and festive decorations, you will find everything you need to bring Christmas spirit into your home. Come early and avoid the December crowd, as items tend to go quickly this time of year. Feel free to stop by and browse!

HELPING THE HOMELESS: This will be our fourth year supporting Susie who feeds homeless men and women in Railway Square. Your kindness and generosity enabled us to gift 35 Christmas bags last year. All new clothes, toiletries, chocolates etc. can be left in the boxes at the back of SS Joseph & Benildus church or St Mary's. Items can also be dropped into Parish shop between 11.00 - 2.00. Closing date: Sun 14 Dec. Susie and her team of volunteers are so grateful for your support and kindness.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP are recruiting new leaders to support our present team.

WHAT is the Children's Liturgy Mass? It is making the Word of God more accessible to children in an age appropriate Mass, allowing them to participate more fully in Mass. Suitable for children of preschool & primary school age.

WHY do we need leaders? To keep the Children's Liturgy Mass running weekly we cannot do this without the help of new leaders.

WHEN is Children's Liturgy Mass? Sunday 10am Mass at St. Benildus & St Joseph's.

WHO are the present leaders? We consist of parents/guardians/grandparents and are fully vetted by the parish.

If you are **interested in keeping the Children's Mass up and running to support families attending Mass with young children**, please contact the parish office for further information or speak to any of the leaders after Mass.

LECTIO DIVINA:

This Advent, join us for a peaceful hour of Lectio Divina – reflection and prayer on the Sunday Gospels – on Thursday evenings, December 4th, 11th, and 18th, from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm at the St. Joseph and St. Benildus Parish Centre. Just ring the doorbell to enter. Tea and coffee will be available beforehand, followed by a quiet time of prayer and reflection as we prepare for the coming of our Lord. Come for one evening or all three all are welcome!

HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT YOUR CATHOLIC SCHOOL:

The Department of Education is currently conducting a Primary School Survey that will determine the future provision of Primary Schools and could lead to lasting changes in your school. In simple terms, parents and guardians are being asked if they want their school to stay a Catholic school or if you want that to change. Have your say before 16 December: <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/>.

CHRISTMAS IN BENILDUS CONCERT:

Celebrate the season with us on Mon 22 Dec at 7.30 pm in SS Joseph & Benildus Church (doors open at 7.00 pm). Tickets are €20 and can be purchased from the Parish Office or by contacting Phyllis O'Shea at 087-929 3553. Come along for an evening of music, poetry, readings, and Christmas cheer! Further details are available on our website and Facebook page, or by reaching out to the parish or Phyllis directly.