



Parish of St Joseph & St Benildus & St Mary

SUNDAY 21 DECEMBER 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
Wednesday each week at 12 pm

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & CERTIFICATE REQUESTS

Email: parishofficejbm@gmail.com

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

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

6.00 pm Vigil (Saturday)

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

There will be NO ADORATION on Wednesday 24 and 31 December. Adoration will resume on Wednesday 7 January.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Niall Henry Bracken, Viewmount, Waterford
Sr Laura (Peter) Uwins, Military Road, Waterford
Carsten Martens, Tramore, Waterford
Kevin McEvoy, Williamstown Road, Waterford

PRAYERS ALSO RECEIVED FOR: Jim & Margaret Jackman, Frank Hutchinson, Jack & Claire O' Brien, John Bradley, Brian Fitzgerald, Bridget Kennedy, Anthony Coakley, Michael & Kathleen Butler, their daughters Eileen & Mary & their grandsons Roy & Craig, Christopher Butler, Angela Browne & John Tess & Tom Browne, Thomas Broderick, Anne Malone

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEKEND 20/21 DECEMBER 2025

St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church, Newtown

5.45 pm: Margaret Power (Anniversary)
Jack & Molly Fitzpatrick and Mary Fitzpatrick (Anniversary)

10.00 am: John Falconer (Anniversary)
Jack & Ellen Hatton (Anniversary)
Diarmuid & Elizabeth O'Hegarty (Anniversary)
Hatton & O'Hegarty families (Remembrance)
Joan & Tom Foskin (Anniversary)

12 Noon: Walter Walsh (Anniversary)
Michael & Mary Hearne, their daughter Catherine Hearne (Anniversary) & son Billy Hearne (1st Anniversary)
Bernadette O'Shea (Anniversary)

St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner

6.00 pm: John Warren (Month's Mind)
Rosemary O'Connor (Anniversary)
Bernadette (Bernie) & Dick Brown (Anniversary)
Margo O'Toole (Anniversary)
Pat Dalton (Remembrance)

11.00 am: Bertie Downes (Anniversary)
Gerry McCarthy (Anniversary)
Charles Murray (Anniversary)
Colm O'Connell & deceased members of the O'Connell & Rose families (Remembrance)

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS NEXT WEEKEND 27/28 DECEMBER 2025

St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church, Newtown

5.45 pm: Niall Larkin (Anniversary)

10.00 am:

12 Noon: Michael & Eileen Kearney (Anniversary)
Kathleen King (Anniversary)

St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner

6.00 pm: Pierce Dower (Anniversary)
John & Bridget Keane (Anniversary)
Fr Pat Burrows (Anniversary)
Fr Joe Cullen (Birthday Remembrance)

11.00 am: Nicholas (Nicky) Kennedy (Anniversary)

The **LITTER PICKING GROUP** would very much welcome volunteers from Ardkeen Village to pick litter at the entrance and estate once every two weeks for an hour. Bags and Picker are free of charge. Please contact the parish office if interested.

WELL DONE to the Cuppa agus Comhrá group who recently raised € 525 for the Dunmore East RNL. Comhghairdeas to all.

CHURCH COLLECTION

13/14 December - €2,748

There will be **NO 7:30 AM MASS** at SS Joseph & Benildus from Mon 22 Dec. The 7:30 am Mass will resume on Mon 5 Jan.

THE PARISH SHOP will close at lunchtime on Tue 23 Dec and reopen as usual on Fri 2 Jan. The team wishes all parishioners and customers a Happy Christmas.

CHILDRENS LITURGY'S MASS will resume Sunday 11 January following Christmas Eve Mass.

NOTICE FOR THOSE WHO ORDERED ENVELOPES: The envelopes will be available in the first week of January. Further details on collection will be announced in the coming weeks.

ISHIARA PARISH PARTNERSHIP - CHRISTMAS SEA SPLASH & DASH (AKA SWIM): Get ready for the St. Stephen's Days swim at The Strand, Dunmore East at 12 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!

THANKYOU to all who contributed new clothes and gifts for the homeless. We presented 41 bags to Susie, who extends her sincere gratitude for your generosity and kindness. Our thanks also to Susie for her daily commitment to those experiencing homelessness.

CHRISTMAS IN BENILDUS CONCERT:

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! For more info, see our website or Facebook page, or reach out to the parish or Phyllis directly.

RAFFLE AT CHRISTMAS IN BENILDUS CONCERT:

Hampers valued at €100 each will be raffled at the Christmas in Benildus Concert on Mon 22 Dec. Raffle tickets can be purchased before the concert or in advance from the Parish Office. Tickets cost €5 for 1 strip, €10 for 3 strips, or €20 for 8 strips. Each hamper is beautifully packed with festive treats, including Botter Prosecco, Botter Chardonnay, Don Aparo Malbec, Porta Blanco, Porta Red, Vicenzi Voglie, Butlers chocolates, McVities Victoria, McVities Santa Snacks, Roses Tub, and Snowy Fingers. Don't miss your chance to win one of these wonderful festive hampers!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Date	St. Joseph & Benildus Church		St. Mary's Church	
Tue 23 Dec	10.30 am	Mass (Confessions after)		
Wed 24 Dec Christmas Eve	10.30 am	Mass	8.00 pm	Vigil Mass for Christmas Day
	11 am - 1 pm	Confessions		
	5:00 pm	Children's Mass (Fully Booked)		
	8.00 pm	Vigil Mass for Christmas Day		
Thurs 25 Dec Christmas Day	10.00 am	Christmas Day Mass	11.00 am	Christmas Day Mass
	12 Noon	Christmas Day Mass		