



Parish of St Joseph & St Benildus & St Mary

SUNDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2026



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FACEBOOK PAGE

www.facebook.com/josephandbenildus/

LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES

St Joseph's & St 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's & 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

6.00 pm Vigil (Saturday)

11.00 am

Holydays of Obligation

As announced

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's & St 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 from 11 am to 2 pm at St Joseph's & St Benildus' church.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Margaret (Peggy) Kingston (nee Power), late of Grantstown, Waterford

Mary Fitzgerald (nee Geraghty), The Folly, Waterford

Michael O'Keeffe, Dunmore Road, Waterford

PRAYERS ALSO RECEIVED FOR: Thomas Murphy, Michael O'Keeffe, Pat Fitzgerald.

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEKEND

31 JANUARY/1 FEBRUARY 2026

St Joseph's & St Benildus' church, Newtown

5.45 pm: John O'Connor (Anniversary)

10.00 am:

12 Noon: Sadie Brophy & Alfie Brophy (Anniversary)
Monica & Dick Kervick (Anniversary)

St. Mary's church, Ballygunner

6.00 pm: John & Anastasia Meade (Anniversary)

11.00 am: Frank O'Callaghan (Anniversary)

Kate Hennessy (Anniversary)

Francis & Thomas O'Keeffe (Anniversary)

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS NEXT WEEKEND

7 / 8 FEBRUARY 2026

St Joseph's & St Benildus' church, Newtown

5.45 pm: Ita Creavin (Month's Mind)

Liam O'Connell (Anniversary)

10.00 am:

12 Noon: Bridget Dunphy (Birthday Rem.), Phillip Dunphy & Annmarie Dunphy (Rem.)

St. Mary's church, Ballygunner

6.00 pm: James & Eugene Power (Anniversary)

11.00 am: Damien Upton (Anniversary)

Caoimhe McDonnell (Birthday Rem. & Anniv.)

Aileen Grant (Anniversary)

PARISH FAITHREP APPLICATIONS: Would you like to make a difference for young people in your parish and be trained alongside other like-minded people? If you are someone over the age of 18 (no upper age limit), who has a heart for young people, upholds the teachings of the Catholic Church and can work as a member of a team, please speak to your Parish Priest about the role of Parish Faith Rep this year. More information on the role and the application and training process can be found on <https://waterfordlismore.ie/parish-faith-reps/>. Information sessions will be held at St John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill, Waterford on 4 February at 7.30 pm and on Zoom on 12 February at 7 pm. Email youthministry@waterfordlismore.ie for more information. Applications close on Friday 20 February.

LECTIO DIVINA: We meet at St. John's Pastoral Centre on Tuesdays (2.30-4pm) or at Sacred Heart Convent, Newtown Rd. on Thursdays (7.30-9pm). We pray with the next Sunday's gospel and end with a cuppa. Newcomers always welcome! Come as often as you wish. Queries? Sr. Kathryn 087 404 2784.

5 DAY SILENT IGNATIAN RETREAT FOR MEN: Led by Benedictine monks from St. Joseph Abbey, in France. Starts Thursday 30 April (3 pm). Benburb Priory, Co. Tyrone (1.5 hrs from Dublin). €450 (all meals & single room included). Daily Mass - Ordinary Form (Latin & ad orientem). Discover the strength that only comes when you stop running and let God speak. Book at <https://soutenir.clairval.com/retreat-benburb-priory>.

SONGS OF PRAISE: Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity Within, Sunday 8 February at 5 pm. Join in singing Waterford's favourite hymns in aid of *The Samaritans and Friends of the Cathedral Music* which supports the cathedral music programme for young musicians. All welcome!

CHURCH COLLECTION

24 / 25 January - €3,035

SVP COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND (31 January/1 February). Thank you in advance for your generous support.

NO 7:30 AM Mass on Monday 2 February due to the bank holiday.

2 FEBRUARY - PRESENTATION OF THE LORD (Candlemas). Mass will be celebrated at 10.30 am in St. Joseph's & St Benildus' church.

BLESSING OF THROATS - ST. BLAISE: Tuesday 3 February. Throats will be blessed after all Masses at St. Joseph's & St Benildus' church.

CHILDRENS LITURGY MASS TEAM 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 10 am Mass at St Joseph's & St Benildus' church.

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.

CYGNET BUGGY FOUND in St. Joseph's & St Benildus' church. Please contact the parish office with any questions.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to serve as readers at weekday Masses in St Joseph's and St Benildus' church. We are also seeking volunteers to help with flower arranging. Experience is helpful but not necessary: all are welcome to get involved. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office.

LEGION OF MARY PATRICIAN MEETING: Tuesday 10 February at 7.00 pm in St Benildus Parish centre (main room upstairs) for a discussion on "What can little Nellie of holy God teach us about the Eucharist?" This is a great opportunity to reflect and connect with the Blessed Sacrament and all are welcome. Refreshments available after the talk.

THE PARISH TARSUS SCRIPTURE GROUP warmly invites you to join us on the following Bible journey. We are taking a new and exciting look at St Paul. You will be amazed!! The first of 4 weekly sessions begins on Thursday 19 February at 7.30 pm in St Benildus Parish Centre. Come along, we would love to see you there.