



Parish of St Joseph & St Benildus & St Mary

SUNDAY 8th 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:

Yvonne Daniels (Knockboy)

Pat O'Mahoney (Grantstown village)

Liam Whelan (Grange Heights)

PRAYERS ALSO RECEIVED FOR: Molly Harney

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: Betty Wadding (Anniversary)

12 Noon: Bridget Dunphy (Birthday Rem.),
Phillip Dunphy & Annmarie Dunphy (Rem.)
Gerard & Tish Sheridan (Anniversary)

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)

Bernadette Barnes (Anniversary)

REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS NEXT WEEKEND 14/15 February 2026

St Joseph's & St Benildus' Church, Newtown

5.45 pm:

10.00 am:

12 Noon: Breda O'Donoghue (1st Anniversary)

St. Mary's Church, Ballygunner

6.00 pm: Neasa O'Brien (Month's Mind)

Bridget Keane, Paddy Morrissey, William

Sharpe & Nancy Sharpe

11.00 am:

BAPTISED AND SENT IN LENT REFLECTION PROGRAMME:

Join us for these afternoons of reflection as we rediscover who we are as God's people, listen to the Holy Spirit and take concrete steps, individually and collectively towards living our baptismal calling more deeply. Offered in three locations around the Diocese on Sundays 2.30 – 4pm (Feb 22nd – March 22nd): St John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill, Led by the Diocesan Synodal Team and Diocesan volunteers. All are welcome! More info on <https://waterfordlismore.ie/pastoral/synod/>

Parish Tarsus Scripture - A Journey Through Lent 2026

Understanding St. Paul – A New Look at This Wonderful Apostle
What is it about? Join us for a series of four engaging presentations exploring the life and letters of St. Paul. These evenings will offer fresh insights and a deeper understanding of St. Paul—you may be surprised by what you discover! Whether you are very familiar with St. Paul or just beginning to explore his writings, everyone is warmly invited.

Thursday evenings - February 19th, February 26th, March 5th & March 12th from 7.30pm – 8.30pm in St. Benildus Parish Centre - *We look forward to sharing this Lenten journey together.*

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!

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES - Wednesday 11th February
– *World day of the sick* We will celebrate of the Sacrament of the Sick (anointing of the sick) at 10.30am Mass on Wednesday next – *all are welcome*

CHURCH COLLECTION

31 January / 1st February: €2479

Funding Success for the B Corridor ✨

We're delighted to share that the B Corridor Group has been awarded €6,000 from Community Foundation Ireland and the National Parks & Wildlife Service. This funding will allow us to engage an ecologist to co-create a Community Biodiversity Action Plan, which will guide the work of the group over the next 3–5 years. It's an exciting step that will help strengthen our future efforts and formally recognise the incredible work carried out by everyone involved to date. Community involvement will be central to this process. We would love your input as we design the action plan with the ecologist and develop the community events that will be associated with it. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has given their time, energy, and support to the funding process and to the B Corridor so far. *Here's to all of life flourishing along the B Corridor*

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.

Ardkeen Village Leads the Way on Litter

Well done to Ardkeen Village on completing such a major community litter pick. A huge congratulations to all the residents involved for their hard work and commitment. Your efforts are helping to lead the way towards The Dunmore Road, Williamstown, Ballygunner, and Farronshoneen becoming litter-free communities—and supporting Waterford's ambition to be Ireland's Cleanest City. If any other Residents' Associations in our areas would like to organise a community litter pick, free bags, gloves, and equipment are available. Please contact John Douglas by email at jmdouglasjmd@gmail.com

Together, we're making a visible difference