

Our Parish...



St. John's Parish - is part of the St. Lawrence Pastoral Area - together with The Sacred Heart Church, Killea, The Cathedral and Ss Joseph and Benildus.

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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 6.15p.m.

Sunday 9.00a.m. & 12 noon

Sunday 10.00a.m. (Polish)

Weekday Masses: 10.00a.m.

No Mass on Saturday mornings.

The 10.00a.m. mass each Friday is offered for the Holy Souls.

Holyday Masses:

Vigil Mass at 6.15p.m. - evening before 10.00a.m. Mass only on the day.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Come and sit quietly before God in the Blessed Sacrament, in our Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Chapel is closed until further notice.

Cry Chapel (Jim Grant Rooms)

Cry Chapel closed until further notice.

Church Opening Hours

Monday to Friday 9.00am - 4.30pm

Saturday 10.00am - 7.30pm

Sunday 8.30am - 1.30pm



Services in St John's



Morning Prayer - takes place during the 10.00a.m. Mass on Fridays.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

The novena is held every Monday morning during the 10.00a.m. Mass.

Coffee Morning - will resume in due course. Thank you.

Confessions: - every Saturday evening from 5.45, before the Vigil Mass.

The Rosary - is recited each weekday morning prior to the 10.00am Mass.

Communion to the Sick

We, the Minister's of the Eucharist in St. John's church are available to bring Holy Communion to the sick or housebound after 6.15 Mass on Saturdays & after 10 Mass on First Fridays. Please leave name(s) into Sacristy or ring 086 1087003.

St. Vincent de Paul

The monthly collection for St. Vincent de Paul is resume this weekend.

St. John's Charismatic Prayer Group.

We meet every Monday evening at 7.45p.m. in the Upper Sacristy with a time of prayer and worship. All are welcome.



Your Prayers

You are asked to remember in your prayers, those members of our Christian Community of St. John's who are ill at home or in hospital at this time, that the Lord may make them comfortable in their illness towards a speedy recovery and help their loved ones to care for them

In Loving Memory...



To you O Lord we commend the souls of our brothers and sisters whose anniversaries or month's mind occur at this time.

Remember in Your Prayers those who died recently -

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:-

6.15 Vigil - Saturday 3rd October

Missa pro Populo (Mass for people of the parish)

9.00am - Sunday 4th October

Kitty & Paddy Jacob

12 Noon - Sunday 4th October

Bridget Flynn

10.00am - Tuesday 6th October

Ita Connolly

10.00am - Thursday 8th October

David O'Neill

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Notice Board



Silent Adoration and confession will be held in St. John's Church on Wednesday 7th October - The Feast of our Lady of the Rosary - from 7.00pm to 9.30pm All are welcome

FAMILY ROSARY CRUSADE-

Archbishop Eamonn Martin is asking families to pray the Rosary together for the month of October in the Family Rosary Crusade

HAIL HOLY QUEEN CONFERENCE -

On Saturday October 10th, will be Live & Exclusive on Radio Maria Ireland, beginning with the Rosary from 12.30pm. Guest speakers include Dana, Marino Restrepo, Fr

Damian Polly, Fr Ruairi O'Domhnaill, Fr Marius O'Reilly and more.



Rosary on the Coast for Life & Faith in Ireland

On Sunday October 11th the above will take place. This year we will again join in with many other countries from around the world. We will gather on our coasts, at our grottos, our churches, our river banks, our homes, or wherever we can..... to pray the Rosary safely together, at 2.30pm. Please do remember to observe Covid 19 guidelines.

See www.coastalrosaryireland.ie to see locations near you or to register a location.

Covid 19 Restrictions in St. John's

1. Please do not congregate in the yard before or after Mass or service.
2. There will be no basket collection during Mass. Please leave your donation in the box near the door.
3. Please sanitise your hands before entering the church.
4. Only every second row of seats to be occupied.
5. Only two people to occupy a row.
6. People from same household may all occupy one row.
7. Please maintain 2metres distancing
8. at all times but especially when receiving Holy Communion.
9. Please follow the stewards.
10. Some sections of seating may be closed off. Please do not occupy seats in these areas.
11. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days, still applies.

If you have any symptoms of cold and flu or if you feel unwell in any way, please do not attend Mass.

Just a thought...



Prayer – Just for Today

I lift up my eyes to the mountains from where shall come my help?

*My help shall come from the Lord
Who made heaven and earth.*

*The Lord will guard me from evil
He will guard my soul*

*The Lord will guard my coming and going
Both now and forever.*

Gardening the Soul

We spend our days in a whirl of activity, often trying to do two things at the same time or thinking one thing and doing another. This is no way to live. Consider what nature expends to create even a single apple: it takes a spring, a summer and an autumn, and it takes blossom and bees and sunshine and rain. Anything that is forced or rushed is not whole. For anything worthwhile, even an apple, we need patience and time. Sr. Stan Kennedy

*Tog go bog e agus tiocfaidh se chughat.
(Take things easy and things will work out.)
A saying of my Father's*

Questions People Ask!

Q. I came across a novena prayer on a leaflet which said that this prayer was never known to fail. Is this claim true? It didn't work for me.

A. These sort of claims are ridiculous. How can anybody know whether everybody who said that prayer got their answer or not? This sort of prayer, or chain-prayers to be circulated to a specified number of people, betray a very shallow idea of God. The kindness of God is not determined by numbers of magical formula. One deep sigh from the heart to God is a more genuine prayer than any leaflet.

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Voice-Mail in Heaven?

Have you ever wondered what it would be like if God installed voice mail?

Imagine praying and hearing the following:

Thank you for calling Heaven.

For English press 1 – all other languages, press 0

Please select one of the following:

1 for Requests – 2 for Thanksgiving – 3 for Complaints – 4 for all other inquiries.

I am sorry; all of our angels are busy helping other sinners at the moment. However, your prayer is important to us and we will answer it in the order it was received.....

Please stay on the line.....

If you would like to hear King David sing a Psalm while you are holding, press 4.

To find a loved one that has been assigned to Heaven, press 5, then enter his or her social security number, followed by the pound sign.

Note: If you receive a negative response, please hang up and try area code 666.

If you get a busy signal at area code 666, try again, their lines have been extremely busy lately. If you are unable to get through, try on Sunday at 11am, as is least traffic at that time.

For reservations at Heaven, please enter J-O-H-N, followed by the number 316.

For answers to nagging questions about dinosaurs, the age of the earth, life on other planets, and where Noah's Ark is; please wait until you arrive.

Our computers show you have prayed today.

Please hang up and try again tomorrow.

The office is now closed for the weekend to observe a religious holiday.

Please pray again on Monday after 9:30am.

If you are calling after hours and need emergency assistance, please contact your local pastor. Thank you. Have a heavenly day.

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Quote for the Week

I never work better than when I am inspired by anger, when I am angry I can write, pray and preach well, for then my whole temperament is quickened, my understanding sharpened and all mundane vexations and temptations depart.

Martin Luther.

Quip for the Week

Some people go about doing good.

Other people just go about.

...thought for the week

Time was when the average person could pay as he goes. Nowadays he has to pay as he comes and goes.

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



Relationships

Can relationships be weighed in money? In landmark cases some time ago in England, divorced women claimed compensation not only for maintenance but also contributing to the accumulation of their husband's wealth.

In the time of Jesus, divorce was very easy to obtain. Even though marriage was held in high regard by the Jews; talking to a strange man or criticising her in-laws, was grounds for divorce.

Jesus took a line on divorce that brings us back to the original plan; where two become one in body, heart and mind.

Catholic teaching looks upon marriage as a sacrament or sacred commitment of a couple to one another before God, that nothing and no-one can break.

An annulment is a cry for help in a marriage that for various reasons went wrong. It does not point the finger of guilt at one party. It is done to heal those who have been wounded in their relationship with each other; that they go in peace.

St John's Church Waterford



NEWSLETTER

October 4th

MISSION STATEMENT

With Christ's teaching as our example and guided by the Holy Spirit, our aim is to represent an open and friendly parish providing a service to the community of St. John's and reaching out to everyone in developing the parish as a community of faith.

Next Sunday's readings:

Twenty eight in ord. time Is

Is 25:6-10.

Ps 22, R/ v6.

Phil 4:120-14, 19-20.

Mt 22:1-14.

Please take this Newsletter home.