

St John's Church Waterford

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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 6.00p.m.

Sunday 9.00a.m. & 12 noon-10.00a.m. (Polish)

Weekday Masses Mon - Fri: 09.30a.m.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

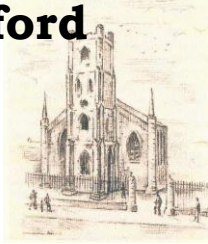
- Monday at 9.30a.m.

No Mass on Saturday mornings.

Holyday Masses:

Vigil Mass at 6.00p.m. – evening before

09.30a.m. Mass only on the day.



**Welcome to our Sunday Liturgy at St. John's.
Today: Sixteenth in Ordinary Time**

The Children of the Covenant looked upon the pagans, on their other side of the barrier, ignorant of their sacred customs and sacrifices, worshipping false gods. But all that changed. Paul a prisoner in Rome shackled but still a missionary reaching out driven by the love for souls, announcing to those near and far that they are now one people, cleansed by the shedding of Christ's blood, members of the mystical body, the Church. All races on earth are God's children, no longer separated by law and privilege, bonded by love and peace, redeemed by Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit on the way to a loving Father.

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:-

6.00pm Vigil - Saturday 17th July

Paddy Power

9.00am - Sunday 18th July

People of the Parish

12 Noon - Sunday 18th July

Peter Fitzgerald

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



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.



Notice Board

Covid 19 Restrictions in St. John's

1. For everyone's safety, please wear a face mask during Mass
2. Please do not congregate in the yard before or after Mass or service.
3. There will be no basket collection during Mass. Please leave your donation in the box near the door.
4. Please sanitise your hands before entering the church.
5. Only every second row of seats to be occupied.
6. Only two people to occupy a row.
7. People from same household may all occupy one row.
8. Please maintain 2metres distancing

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.



PRAYER

Difficulties of Life

Lord, when we feel that our burden is heavy, help us to bravely shoulder our load as we struggle our way towards you.

GARDENING THE SOUL

Every day we are bombarded with requests to become involved in things. The danger is that we will try to take them all on, but end up only being able to do them superficially. If we want to be enriched by what we commit ourselves to, then we need to choose our commitments carefully. The unique talent given to each of us shines forth if, it has time and space to be developed and fostered and attended to, which is why we need to take time for ourselves so that we can discern which situation we need to become part of.

Sr. Stan Kennedy

QUESTIONS PEOPLE ASK!

Q. Why should we read the Old Testament? Isn't it full of wars and violence?

A. There's far more in the Old Testament than accounts of wars. Yes indeed. It reflects the violence of history but the overall story is about God's covenant with people. The Bible is a library of books reflecting the growth of people in doctrine and morality in a time-span of a thousand years. Without the Old Testament it would not be possible to understand the New Testament, which grows out of it as a plant from its roots.



It's good to laugh...

Both baby bear and papa bear came down stairs and found their bowls empty. Each of them in turn said "who's been eating my porridge?"!!! Mama bear puts her head through the serving hatch from the kitchen and yells, "For gods sake, how many times do we have to go through with this?"

It was Momma bear who got up first this morning, who woke everyone, who made the coffee, who unloaded the dishwasher, who went out in the cold to fetch the newspaper, set the table, put out the cat, cleaned the litter box etc. etc. And now that you have decided to drag your sorry bear-butts downstairs and grace Momma-Bears-kitchen with your grumpy presence, listen good, cause I'm only going to say this one more time...

I haven't made the damn porridge yet!!!

And that was 'The Three Bears' to end all three bear stories.

Quote for the Week.

Wherever your life ends, it is all there. The advantage of living is not measured by length, but by use; some men have lived long, and lived little; attend to it while you are in it. It lies in our will, not in the number of years, for you to have lived enough. (Montaigne)

Quip for the Week

The modern child will answer you back before you have said anything.

...thought for the week

A bit of fragrance always clings to the hand that gives you roses

**When at church -
please wear a mask - thank you!**



Sunday July 18th '21 - Please take this copy home with you.