

# 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:** 9.30a.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



## 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** – Paul Boland late of McDermott Road, Cork Road.

### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:-

**6.00pm Saturday 9th October**

Months Mind: Pattie Brophy

**9.00am - Sunday 10th October**

People of the Parish

**12 Noon - Sunday 10th October**

Carmel Gallagher

**9.30am Wednesday 13th October**

Sophie Nugent

**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

### Young Adults' Retreat

Today's Gospel tells us that to be given a place in the Kingdom of God is worth more than all the riches in the world. The obstacle posed by riches is that the thought, energy and effort given to accumulating and preserving wealth can be a distraction from making God's Kingdom the focus of one's life.

Reward is a great incentive to do good. God promises to reward those who make a preferential option for the poor, in this life and the next.

Programme

10am – Arrival & refreshments

10.30am – "Listening"

11am – "Praying with St. Benedict"

12.10pm – Mass

1pm – Lunch

2pm – "Praying with Icons"

2.30pm – Personal time

3.30pm – "Praying with the Scriptures"

4.10pm – "Remember and Keep"

4.20pm – Refreshments & depart

Suggested donation of €30

To register: [luke@glenstal.com](mailto:luke@glenstal.com) / 086-2717937

### **St. Vincent de Paul Collection.**

*The society would like to thank all who contributed to our church-gate collection last weekend.*

*Thank You.*

### **Waterford Hospice**

As you know we were unable to host the annual coffee morning in support of Waterford Hospice but I have lodged €100 on behalf of St. John's Parish.

To everyone who contributed thank you on behalf of the Hospice Movement for your generosity. Margaret.

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### **The Late Paul Boland.**

*It is with great sadness that we – The Community of St. John's – learned of the death of our friend and colleague Paul who passed away to his eternal reward last weekend. Paul had been involved in the running of our church for most of his adult life, as assistant sacristan, member of the finance committee and collector/counter of the weekly envelope and offertory collections.*

*His passing leaves a vacuum in our community that will be difficult to fill.*

Beannacht Dei lena ainm.

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### **The Bible in Our Everyday Lives.**

Hate what is evil, cling to what is good.

*(Romans 12:9)*

Fight for the truth till death and the Lord will fight with you. *(Sirach 4:28)*

### **Quote for the Week**

*Commerce links all mankind in one common brotherhood of mutual dependence and interests.*

### **Quip for the Week**

*Never let a bleak past cloud a Bright future.*

### **From 'The Little Book of Epitaphs'**

#### **Martha Blewit (died 1681)**

*Martha Blewit of the Swan Inn at Bathorn-End-In this parish.*

*Buried May 7th 1681:*

*Was the wife of nine husbands successively, but the ninth outlived her.*

*The text to her funeral sermon was – 'Last of all the Woman died also.'*

*(Phyllis D.)*

### **Questions People Ask!**

**Q. I don't like receiving Holy Communion from lay-ministers. Some of the ministers I know are not exactly models of virtue. What do you think?**

Nobody on earth, priest or lay person, is worthy either to receive or distribute the Sacred Eucharist. If we were to wait for 'sinless' people we would have a long wait. In the gospel we see how Jesus went out of his way to be with sinners. He scandalised the 'holy Joes' by the way he ate and drank with sinners. 'Lord, I am not worthy.'

### **Gardening the Soul**

In childhood we see life as a great adventure that includes everyone and everything. Part of our life's task is to reclaim the child in us. Being childlike, we realise that we matter, that our unique contribution has huge implications for the whole universe; that the part we play touches all life everywhere and for all time. We are all part of the whole, linked by our decisions and our choices to all others on the earth now and in the future, because we are all connected with us. As we walk life's journey realising that we are connected with all that has gone before and all that is present, we are preparing for the future.

Sr. Stan Kennedy

### **...thought for the week**

*Reality is what I see, not what you see.*

Anthony Burgess

**Sunday Oct 10<sup>th</sup>**

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