

# 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



## Welcome to our Sunday Liturgy at St. John's. Today: Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel shows us how much Jesus loved children and how he hoped that grown-ups could learn from them. When the disciples tried to turn them away from Jesus, he said 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.'

During this month of October we remember all Irish people living away from home. We pray for emigrants today and for missionaries later in the month. And we praise God's constant care for all people and ask for continuing support.

### THE BIBLE IN OUR EVERYDAY LIVES.

If God is for us, who can be against us?

(Romans 8:31)

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.  
(Romans 12:21)

### 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** -Eithna Connolly Late of Beau Street and formerly of Closegate

### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:-

**6.00pm Vigil – Saturday 2nd September**

People of the parish

**12 Noon – Sunday 3rd September**

First Anniversary: Aidan Lehane

**9.30 am – Tuesday 5th September**

William O'Connor

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

### Notice Board



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION.

The monthly collection in aid of those in need takes place this weekend at all Masses in St. John's. As always – please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

### Quote for the Week

Never have anything to do with an unlucky place or an unlucky man. I have seen many clever men, very clever men, who had not shoes on their feet. I never act with them. Their advise sounds very well, but they cannot get on themselves and if they cannot do good themselves, how can they do good for me? (Mayer A. Rothchild).

### Quip for the Week

If you must cry over spilt milk, condense it.

### Quotable Quotes!

When we cannot bear to be alone, it means we do not properly value the only companion we have from birth to death – ourselves. – Eda leShan

### LECTIO DIVINA INVITATION

The Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus invite you to join them in Lectio Divina – the praying with the Scriptures. This initiative will begin on Thursday, September 30th. No need to attend every week.

A possibility of two sessions will be offered;

- Thursday @ 2:00 pm in St. John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill and
- Thursday @ 7:30 pm at Sacred Heart Parish Centre, the Folly, Waterford.

Please register at [waterford@ascjusus.org](mailto:waterford@ascjusus.org) or call 087-4042745 and indicate what session you would like to attend. Thank you.

### From 'The Little Book of Epitaphs'

Mr. Jones (19<sup>th</sup> century)

Here lies old Jones,  
who all his life collected bones,  
till death that grim and sorry spectre,  
that all inspiring bone collector.  
boned poor Jones, so neat and tidy,  
here he lies, all bona fide

(Phyllis D.)

### 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 of God is a more genuine prayer than any leaflet.

### I'm Fine, thank You!

There is nothing the matter with me,  
I'm as healthy as can be.  
I have arthritis in both my knees,  
And when I talk, I talk with a wheeze.  
My pulse is weak and my blood is thin  
But I'm awfully well for the shape I'm in.  
Arch supports I have for my feet,  
Or I wouldn't be able to be on the street.  
Sleep is denied me night after night,  
But every morning I find I'm alright.

*My memory is failing, my head is in a spin,  
But I'm awfully well for the shape I'm in.  
The moral is this as my tale I unfold,  
That for you and me who are growing old,  
It's better to say I'm fine with a grin'  
Then to let folks know, the shape we are in.  
(Kathleen Q.)*

### Gardening the Soul



Many of us were taught about God rather than encouraged to know God. We are like children who have been separated from their parents at a very young age and whose only knowledge of them has come from photo albums and stories. Our alienation from God is a deeply felt deprivation, but often it is a misunderstood deprivation – deprived people do not know what they are deprived of; because they have never known or been helped to know God; who is the Divine in them.

Sr. Stan Kennedy

### ...thought for the week

Christianity has died many times and risen again, for it has a God who knew his way out of the grave. G.K. Chesterton

### NEW MEMBERS WELCOME AT LADY LANE HOUSE RETIREMENT SERVICES.

Lady Lane Day Centre Re Opens. We are located in the centre of Waterford and would be delighted to welcome new members where we provide the following service to Seniors Monday to Friday in a comfortable and friendly atmosphere. This is an active and lively centre where our community can enjoy good food and friendship and make new friends.

### Our Centre Offers:

Affordable, delicious and nutritious meals with special dietary needs catered for. Social opportunities to meet new friends. Connections with trusted and caring people. Health information and education. Activities program with opportunities for seniors to share their talents and skills. Activities include bingo, cards, art & crafts and games. Weekly music sing song. For more information contact us at 051 874056 or email [ladyhouse1@gmail.com](mailto:ladyhouse1@gmail.com).