

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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Advent Service of Reconciliation

Monday 18th December 7pm.

This service will follow the usual format except that after people have received individual absolution you may depart quietly.

Parish Christmas Deliveries

Killybegs Parish Calendar 2024 & The Christmas Newsletter 2023

will be delivered to each household along with Church/Restoration Envelopes as requested.

We hope the usual helpers could oblige with deliveries: if you can, please come to the Parish Office this Monday 11th December from 5pm - 7pm.

New helpers would be very welcome. More complimentary copies of Killybegs Parish Calendar 2024 available from the Parish Office. The Christmas Newsletter contains full details of Christmas arrangements and so much more...



God's Word calling us through the mist of ignorance and apathy to be silent to listen to the sound of stillness, and to see in the Child born of Mary the Word who became flesh.

Cardinal Basil Hume

Christmas Masses 2023

- **Saturday 23rd December:** 7pm
- **Sunday 24th December, Christmas Eve:** Morning Masses at 9am & 11am
6pm: Christmas Mass (including First Communion Children & Junior Choir)
8pm: Christmas Mass (including Confirmation Candidates & St Catherine's Voc. School Choir)
10pm: Christmas Mass (with Senior Choir)
- **Sunday 25th December, Christmas Day:** Masses at 9am & 11am.

Children's Practices for 6pm Mass:
Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th Dec. at 4.30pm.

Entrance Hymn: O Come, O Come Emmanuel

O come, O come Emmanuel,
To free your captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear.

(Chorus) **Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel,
To you shall come Emmanuel**

O key of David's city, come
And open wide our heav'nly home;
Make safe the way that leads above,
Protect us ever by your love (Chorus)



Final Hymn: Christ Be Our Light

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
Light for the world to see.

**Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the dark-ness.**

**Christ be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.**

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us you living voice. (Chorus)



Every year we celebrate the holy season of Advent, O God. Every year we pray those beautiful prayers of longing and waiting, and sing those lovely songs of hope and promise.
Karl Rahner

A Carol Service in Church of Sts. Josph & Conal
Bruckless Sunday 17th December 6pm. All welcome.

Christmas Table Quiz

Friday 15th December 9pm in the Foresters Hall
Quiz Master Conor McBrearty
in aid of St Catherine's Band. €5pp / teams of 4
Raffle Prizes Galore! Monster Christmas Hamper Draw

◆ **Sunday 10th December 2023: Second Sunday of Advent Year B**

◆ **Weekday Readings: Second Week of Advent**

Masses will be relayed on the webcam: go to killybegsparish.com for a link to Online Services

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| Friday | <i>The Immaculate Conception</i> | 8th December: | 10.00am - Maude Gallagher (16th Anniversary) 07.00pm - Deceased members of the McGee family |
| Saturday | | 9th December: | 07.00pm - Donal Cannon (3rd Anniversary) Tom Rowan (7th Anniversary) Peter Gerald Breslin (29th Anniversary) Deceased members McBrearty & Breslin families Special Intention R.I.P. |
| Sunday | | 10th December: | 09.00am - Eithne White (Month's Mind Mass) 11.00am - Maeve McNulty (Anniversary) |
| Monday | | 11th December: | 10.00am - Special Intention |
| Tuesday | | 12th December: | 10.00am - John Sharkey (Anniversary) |
| Thursday | | 14th December: | 10.00am - Frank Gallagher (Anniversary) |
| Friday | | 15th December: | 10.00am - Deceased Friel, McDevitt, Lydon & Briers families |
| Saturday | | 16th December: | 11.00am - Billy Broderick (1st Anniversary) 07.00pm - Margaret Gallagher (2nd Anniversary) Gerard Byrne & Mickey Cannon (Anniversaries) Barney & Moira Murrin (Anniv) & John Murrin R.I.P. James & Sarah O'Donnell (Anniversaries) |
| Sunday | | 17th December: | 09.00am - Special Intentions 11.00am - Micheal Mooney (Anniversary) |

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Monday 11am - 7pm. Mass on Friday at 10am.

Pray for: Irene Hegarty, Malinmore, Glencolmille and London who died on Monday (sister of Teresa White); Josie Gallagher, Castlereagh, Bruckless Pray for: Donal Gallagher. Suaimhneas Storaí.

St John's Carol Service

Wednesday 13th December 7.30pm. All welcome.



Niall Mór N. S. Christmas Concert

Bay View Hotel, Wednesday 13th Dec 6.30pm

Commons N. S. Christmas Concert

Bay View Hotel, Thursday 14th Dec 7pm

Christmas Concert in Foresters Hall

Saturday 16th December 8pm.
Doors open 7.30pm. €10/€5. Children free.

Killybegs Community Care A huge thank you to everyone who participated in the Senior Citizens Christmas party. Special thanks to the Tara Hotel, the Parish Choir, the Bonner Cannon dancers and all the musicians who played all afternoon, Rosaleen, Fred, Michael, Bernie and Danny. Thank you to all who made it such a wonderful afternoon for everyone.

Sunday Missal 2024 now available
Complimentary copy to all Ministers of the Word & the Eucharist & the Parish Choir.

Sunday Collection 3rd December € 1,485.00
Graveyard Seats Donations € 50.00
Maintenance Fund 3rd December € 1,615.00
Thank you for your continued generosity.

Parish Choir Practice Monday 7.15pm

Killybegs Christmas Market & Santa's Grotto.
Sunay 10th December 4pm – 8pm on Main Street.
No parking on Main Street from 1pm on Sunday.

Sale of Work in Killybegs Community Hospital
Wed 13th & Thurs 14th December 11am - 2pm
in the Day Care Centre Conservatory.

Aislann Chill Chartha Tel: 0749738376 .
Santa's Grotto & family fun day & Christmas Fair
on Sunday 10th December 1pm - 5pm.

Killybegs Community Kitchen Delivering
Dinners Mon, Wed & Fridays for people who are
not cooking everyday. Tel: 074973166 or email
killybegscomkitchen@outlook.com

S.V.D.P (Killybegs) The Annual Appeal
Collection will be taken up **after Mass**
this Sat 9th & Sun 10th December. For assistance
ring 0873507727 or contact any member.