

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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Masses and Services: Live streaming on www.mcmedia.tv



Grace changes everything (Bernard Lonergan)
The experience of grace is the experience of a transformation one did not bring about but rather underwent as it lets one's circumstances shift, one's dispositions change, new encounters occur and - so gently and quietly - one's heart be touched.

A letter of Gratitude
 from Sister Muriel on receiving last Easter's Garment of Suffering from Patricia O'Boyle:
Thank you for all the work you do regarding the blankets and quilts for the poor people here in Bosnia/Hercegovina. Luca Belo from Ogradenik is very grateful for the blanket she received. She lives in a very small stone house. She was never married. She lives alone. Loneliness is worse than material poverty. She spends most of her time in her garden. She has all kinds of vegetables growing as well as flowers. She has a small pension that helps her to survive. She is a very hard worker. She took care of her mother who died at the age of 95 years old. She is very grateful for the food we give to her. True Marian devotion never obscures faith and love for Jesus, our Saviour, the one Mediator between God and humankind. Our Lady is a privileged path for a more faithful following of the Lord. May she always protect you. You are in my prayers. May the Good God bless you with His Peace that only God can give. May He also grant you good health. I will pray that St Joseph will be your protector and provider.
Prayerfully in Our Lady, Sr. Muriel

Finance Committee
 meets this Monday 11th January 9pm in Parish Office.

First Communion Parents Liturgy Group
 meets this Monday 11th January 8pm in Parish Office.
 Next celebration: Sunday 17th January 11am.

Important Dates for 2016
Ash Wednesday: 10th February
Easter Sunday: 27th March
Sacrament of Confirmation: Sunday, 24th April, 11am
First Communion: Saturday, 14th May, 11am
Mass at Ballysallagh Mass Rock: Wed, 1st June, 7pm.
Graveyard Mass: Friday, 29th July, 7pm
Blessing of the Fleet Mass: Saturday, 6th August, 7pm
Mass at Croaghlin Mass Rock: Mon, 15th August, 7pm

Last Man Standing
 A football lottery in aid of the Restoration Fund.
Closing Date for entries: this Tuesday 12 noon.
 Entry forms available from Parish Office and from Church Porch.
 Covers 6 weeks of Premiership matches, beginning Tuesday 12th January.
 Choose one winning team each week, naming a team only once.
 Entry fee €10. Winner gets €400, two €50 consolation prizes.

The Killybegs 'Murillo'
 A4 print is now available in the Church at Our Lady's Altar with flyer: €5. Postcards: €1
Also available in Parish Office:
 Framed Prints: €15. Framed Postcard: €6.

Board of Management Meetings
 Commons N.S.: Tuesday 12th January 4.30pm
 Fintra N.S.: Thursday 14th January 6pm

Live Streaming All church celebrations are streamed live on the internet by logging onto mcmedia.tv and then **St Mary's Killybegs**.

Rosary & Divine Mercy
 Tuesday 6.30pm in Adoration Room.
 All welcome.

Parish and Restoration Envelopes
 Anyone who would like a set of envelopes please let Ann know in the Parish Office.

Sunday Missal 2016
 available from Sacristy or Parish Office €5.
 Complimentary copy for all Readers and Ministers of the Eucharist.

Thank you Pro-Life Trust Church Gate
 Collection of €674.19. A sincere 'thank you' to all who contributed and the collectors.

Cancer Fundraiser in the Tara Hotel on Saturday 9th January on the occasion of Ethna Gallagher's 60th Birthday.
 Music by Mary B & Paul Gallagher.
 Please support. All welcome.

- **Sunday 10th January 2016: The Baptism of the Lord**
- **Weekday Readings: First Week in Ordinary Time**

Saturday 9th January: 07.00pm - Bridie Fobister (Anniversary)
Sunday 10th January: 09.00am - Paddy Gallagher (Anniversary)
 11.00am - Bridget Cooper (Anniversary)
Monday 11th January: 10.00am - Special Intention
Tuesday 12th January: 10.00am - Charlie O'Keeney R.I.P.
Thursday 14th January: 10.00am - Teresa & Joe McBrearty (Anniversaries)
Friday 15th January: 10.00am - Deceased Ward Family
Saturday 16th January: 07.00pm - Mary Brogan (Anniversary)
 Arthur Kee (Anniversary)
 Mary Glen (Anniversary)
Sunday 17th January: 09.00am - Tommy Murphy (Anniversary)
 11.00am - Noel Cahill (Anniversary)

Adoration: Sunday 6pm to Monday Midnight. **Confessions:** Saturdays 6.30pm.
Please Note: No Mass on Wednesday; Mass on Tuesday & Thursday at 10am
Friday: Feast of St Ita.

Pray for those who died recently: Charlie O'Keeney, whose funeral took place in Fermoy, Co Cork on Friday (brother of Brendan O'Keeney);
Pray for: Sonny Daly, Rose Rowan, Michael Hugh Byrne, Patrick Byrne.
Suaímhneas Sioraí.

Water Aerobics Classes in Bay View Hotel
 Tuesdays 11 – 11.45am; Thursdays 7.30 – 8.15pm.
 For more info tel: 074 9731950

Blessed Sacrament Adoration
 10th January - Mary Gallagher
 17th January - Marian Breslin

Youth Project & Drop-In Centre
 in Niall Mór Centre reopens 11th January for all groups and Friday night Drop-In. The centre is open for all young people aged 12-18 years old.

Sunday Collection € 1,655.00
Restoration Fund:
 Envelopes 2nd & 3rd January € 1,885.00
 Donations € 1,130.00
 Murillo Donations € 217.00
Total Restoration Fund: €2,488,258.93
Thank you for your continued generosity.

I.C.A. Meeting in Niall Mór Centre on Wednesday 13th January at 7.30pm.

Niall Mór Centre 074 97 41863
southwestdonegalcdp1@gmail.com
1 Day Safe Pass Course Sat 16th Jan, Sat 30th Jan.
Stresscontrol Course, 6 weeks, Wed 27th Jan 7pm - 8.30pm
Citizen Information Office Mondays 10.30 - 1.00pm
Homeopathy in the Home Course, 4 weeks.
 T: Pauline McGuire on: 087 6089100, €50
Letterkenny Women's Counselling Service
 Tuesdays & Wednesdays. Tel Breid: 07491 24985
Drama & Creativity: February. Tel: 7189620
 2pm-3pm, Age Group: 7-9 years
 3.30pm - 4pm, Age Group: 10-12 years.
Introduction to Mindfulness Monday 25th January for 8 weeks 8pm - 10pm. Tel: 086 7775750
Breast Feeding Group & Anti Natal Classes
 Tel: Aileen 07497 31694

Killybegs Cubs & Beavers thank everyone who contributed to their recent church gate collection. Group starts back Tues 12th Jan 7pm

Anam Cara Parent Evening on Thursday 14th January from 7.30pm to 9pm in the Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny. All Services are available free of charge to bereaved parents.

Yoga classes 14th Jan in Niall Mór Centre
 Beginners/level 1 at 7.30-8.45pm
 Improvers/ Level 2 at 6.00-7.15pm
 To book text/call Zia on 087 6463956

Áislann Health & Fitness Suite 074 9738376
New Year Offer: 1 Year Membership Adult €99.
 1 Year Student €65 (Age 16-18 years).
Exercise classes Thursday 14th January 7-8pm.
Art classes recommences Tuesday 26th January. Children's 6-7pm; Adults 7-9pm.
Indoor Bowls Tuesdays 8-9.30pm. All welcome.

Play 'the Quare Gunk' by Strabane players in Inver Community Centre on Sat 9th Jan at 8pm.
 Proceeds in aid of Inver and Mountcharles churches.