

**St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs**

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**Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady**

*Thursday 15th August*  
 Mass at 10am in the Church  
 and Mass at Croaghlin Mass Rock at 7pm

**Mass at Croaghlin Mass Rock**

Thursday 15th August at 7.00pm.  
 Complimentary bus departing from the Chapel Car  
 Park at 6.30pm. As always a one-way system will  
 operate, going to the Mass Rock along Conlin Rd  
 & returning via Commons and Church Rd.  
 All are welcome.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
 in the Church 7pm - 8pm.

*"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord"*



**Entrance Hymn: Morning Has Broken**  
 Morning has broken like the first morning.  
 Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
 Praise for the singing, praise for the morning.  
 Praise for them springing fresh from the world.  
 Sweep the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven.  
 Like the first dew fall on the first grass.  
 Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
 Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.  
 Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning.  
 Born of the one light, Eden saw play  
 Praise with elation, praise every morning.  
 God's recreation of the new day.



**Ode to Bridge Street by Martin Showlin**



A street of dreams and nightmares too  
 Of barbers, bookies and cabbies.  
 A street of pugilists, publicans and blackguards too  
 And lots of whom I never knew.

The shoe leather of many  
 Entered these doors for coffee/tea and scones.  
 Some talked till the evening came  
 Some stayed till the early dawn.

Nicholas Silver passed this way!  
 While I lay in Quinn's field  
 Listening to the music from the dance hall  
 Across the river - Drimbeigh river!

Flowers in the windows are few now  
 And card players fewer  
 Replaced by the computer.

The sprigger and the dressmaker are gone  
 But I can still remember the smell of herring frying  
 And the taste of gobstoppers still lingers on.

And those cats!!  
 I am sure some of their offspring are still around.

We are here to look back  
 A reunion of sorts  
 The school on the hill, that ever remains.  
 Broadminded people walked this narrow street  
 Some stayed, some strayed.  
 Young blood is needed now  
 To regenerate its walls.

The river still flows but no trout nor eel swim  
 No sound now of the hammer on the anvil  
 The dole queue is gone!!!

- ◆ **Sunday 11th August 2024: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B**
  - ◆ **Weekday Readings: Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time Cycle 2**
- Masses will be relayed on the webcam: go to [killybegsparish.com](http://killybegsparish.com) for a link to Online Services**

- Friday 9th August: 10.00am** - Special Intention
- Saturday 10th August: 07.00pm** - Donal O'Donnell (1st Anniversary)  
 John Joe Dowd (2nd Anniversary)
- Sunday 11th August: 09.00am** - Kevin McBrearty (6th Anniversary)  
**11.00am** - Willie Tully (1st Anniversary)
- Monday 12th August: 10.00am** - Kathleen & John Briordy (Anniversaries)
- Tuesday 13th August: 10.00am** - John McCloskey (Anniversary)
- Thursday 15th August: 10.00am** - Charlie McGarrigle R.I.P.  
**07.00pm** - Mass at Croaghlin Mass Rock
- Friday 16th August: 10.00am** - Special Intentions
- Saturday 17th August: 07.00pm** - Noel McGing (1st Anniversary)  
 David Kee (12th Anniversary)
- Sunday 18th August: 09.00am** - Pauric Conneely (Anniversary)  
**11.00am** - Patrick Gallagher (1st Anniversary)

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday 11am - 7pm*

**Pray for: Margaret & Leanora O'Shea, (formerly Margaret Meehan, The Commons & her daughter Leonora) whose ashes were buried here in Killybegs on Thursday; Dessie Rowan, Marine Drive & Letterkenny, whose funeral took place last Sunday in Letterkenny; Suaimhneas Síoraí.**

**Re-opening of Primary Schools**  
**Commons N.S.** Monday 2nd September.  
 Junior Infants finish at 12 noon.  
**Fintra N.S.** Tuesday 3rd September  
 Junior Infants finish at 12 noon.  
**Niall Mór N.S.** Monday 2nd September  
 Junior Infants finish at 12 noon.

**St. Catherine's Vocational School**  
**Back to School Dates**  
 1st year only Tues 27th Aug  
 1st, 3rd & 6th years only Wed 28th Aug  
 1st, 3rd, 5th & 6th years only Thurs 29th Aug  
 All classes Fri 30th Aug

**Church Gate Collection** 24th/25th August in aid  
 of the Ards Redevelopment Fund.

**Liturgy of the Word for Children**  
 this Sunday 11th August 11am.

**Parish Choir Practice** Monday 7.15pm

**Final Hymn: Ode to Joy**  
 Come and sing a joyful chorus  
 Lift your voices to the sky  
 Helping hands now join in friendship  
 Keeping hearts and spirits high  
 Sister, Brother, care for each other,  
 Care for the world and keep it free.  
 Come together, sing together,  
 As a peaceful family. (x2)



**Sunday Collection** 4th August € 970.00  
**Maintenance Fund** 4th August € 1,185.00  
*Thank you for your continued generosity.*

**Best wishes to Killybegs Summer Festival**  
 this weekend Friday 9th - Sunday 11th August

**Visiting Cruise Ships**  
*Nautica* Saturday 10th August 8am - 6pm;  
 372 Crew, 803 Passengers.  
*Nautica* Saturday 17th August 9am - 6pm;  
 372 Crew, 803 Passengers.  
*Island Sky* Saturday 17th August 8am - 11pm;  
 70 Crew, 118 Passengers.



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 Now taking names for classes starting September.  
 Booking essential. Updates on Facebook page.  
*Golf Classic Fundraiser* B & S Golf Club Friday  
 30th August. Teams €120. Tel: Mary McHugh  
 Clubhouse 0749131093 / John Byrne 0877121802

**Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine**  
 Saturday 17th August  
 www.knockshrine.ie Tel: 0949388100

*'We all know what the real weapons  
 of mass destruction are... rhetoric and hate'*  
 A quote from a British soldier who served his time  
 in Iraq searching for weapons  
 of mass destruction.