

## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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**Masses and Services: Live streaming on [www.mcmedia.tv](http://www.mcmedia.tv)**



### An Advent Thought

*Prayer should be the key of the day  
and the lock of the night.*

### Christmas Carol Service

*Wednesday 14th December 7.00pm*

The local schools join the Parish Choir in this celebration of song and prayer. The collection will go to Donegal/Galway Cancer Bus. All are welcome to this celebration of hope and joy.

### Parish Christmas Deliveries

- The Parish Christmas Newsletter and the complimentary Parish Calendar 2017 are being delivered presently to each household in the parish. Further complimentary calendars are available from the Parish Office
- At the same time the Church Envelopes and the Restoration Envelopes are being delivered. Anyone not on the list who would like a set of envelopes, please let Ann know in the Parish Office.

**Trócaire** is hoping for the usual terrific support from parishioners for the Trócaire Gifts and Christmas Appeal. To find out more, buy a gift or make a donation, log on to [trocaire.org](http://trocaire.org) or call 1850 408 408

### Killybegs Community Care, Care of the Aged

**Committee** Thanks to everyone who made the Senior Citizens party such a success last Sunday especially the Tara Hotel and Staff, Isobel Cunningham and her group of Killybegs Irish dancers, not forgetting our loyal musicians, Danny, Rosaleen, Kathleen, Mr & Mrs Claus, Fred and Michael and the lovely singers who helped make the day so enjoyable. Thanks to everyone.

### Donegal /Galway Cancer Bus

On Monday 12th December a taxi will be picking up patients from Killybegs to Donegal for Galway University Hospital to meet up with Bus coming from Letterkenny. For more info tel: 074 9731273. This service is free.

**Planning permission** is being sought for the third time for an industrial development adjacent to St. Catherine's well. Twice previously an Bord Pleannála has refused planning on this site because of its impact on the Holy Well and its water source, as well as its close proximity to the overall Archaeological Complex which is a National Monument. For more information please contact Killybegs History and Heritage Committee - Patricia 087 3119020

**Junior Choir Practice** for Christmas Eve, today, Sunday 11th Dec, after 11am Mass.

### Advent Service of Reconciliation

*Monday 19th December 7.00pm.*

Please arrive in time and maintain a spirit of prayer and peace throughout the service. May we once again experience the mercy and compassion of God the Father.

**St John's Carol Service** on Tuesday 20th December at 8pm. All welcome.

### Important Christmas Celebrations

*Christmas Carol Service:*

Wednesday 14th December 7.00pm

*Service of Reconciliation:*

Monday 19th December 7.00pm

*Christmas Children's Mass:*

Saturday 24th December 7.00pm

*Christmas 'Midnight' Mass:*

Saturday 24th December 11.00pm

*Christmas Day Masses:*

Sunday 25th December 9am & 11am

*Practices for Children's Mass:*

Monday 19th December 5pm and  
Tuesday 20th December 5pm.

### Christmas Shop Now Open!!

Christmas gifts now available. Call to Parish Office & have a look..



**Sunday Missal 2017** Complimentary copy for all Readers and Ministers of the Eucharist available from Sacristy or Parish Office.

*Love is the beginning, the middle  
and the end of everything*

**Official Opening Postponed** at the Eamonn Byrne Memorial Park 'til Sat 17th Dec 2pm, due to the recent death of Danny Murphy RIP (Ulster GAA). Apologies for the late notice and hope everyone can attend.

### Last Man Standing: 77 still standing

From 271 entries, reduced to 120 after Week 2, 77 remain after Week 3, posted on the noticeboard, Parish Office window and our website (click on *Newsletters*), also with remaining selections. 'Week' 4 continues this week-end. In aid of the Restoration Fund.

• **Sunday 11th December 2016: Third Sunday in Advent (Cycle A)**

• **Weekday Readings: Third Week in Advent**

**Saturday 10th December: 07.00pm** - Frank & Anna McCallig (Anniversaries)  
James & Sarah O'Donnell (Anniversaries)  
Special Intention

**Sunday 11th December: 09.00am** - Alice Keeney (Anniversary)  
**11.00am** - Alice Conneely (1st Anniv) & Pat (11th Anniv)

**Monday 12th December: 10.00am** - John Sharkey (Anniversary)  
**Wednesday 14th December: 10.00am** - Catherine Sweeney (Anniversary)

**Thursday 15th December: 10.00am** - Frank Gallagher (Anniversary)  
**Friday 16th December: 10.00am** - Sean McGreevy R.I.P.  
**Saturday 17th December: 07.00pm** - Gerard Byrne & Mickey Cannon (Anniversaries)  
Sarah McCloskey (Anniversary)  
Áine & Willie Murray (Anniversaries)

**Sunday 18th December: 09.00am** - Sinéad Ní Ghallochóir R.I.P.  
**11.00am** - Micheál Mooney (Anniversary)

**Adoration:** Sunday 6pm - Monday Midnight.

**Confessions:** Saturday 6.30pm.

**Rosary/Divine Mercy:** Tuesday 6.30pm, Adoration Room.

**Pray for those who died recently: Mary Ann O'Boyle, Mountcharles, whose funeral was on Wed. with burial in Killybegs (wife of Michael O'Boyle). Pray for: Bridget Byrne, Michael Byrne. R.I.P.**

### St Catherine's F.C. Annual Bazaar

in Tara Hotel this Sunday 11th December at 6.30pm. Come along and support your local club.

**Killybegs Cubs and Beavers** Under 12 Christmas Jumper Disco in Bay View Hotel on Sun 11th Dec from 3-5pm. Adm €5. Santa calling to say hello!

**A Christmas Luncheon** in Bay View Hotel on Monday 12th December at 1.30pm for 4 course meal, music & dancing until 5pm. €17.50. Tel 9731950.

### Home Tutor required for L.C. Student

Maths, biology, Business Studies and Geography Must be registered. Tel 074 97 37751 or e-mail: [Jackiedm13@gmail.com](mailto:Jackiedm13@gmail.com)

**London, Rome, Killybegs:** a new radio documentary about the Killybegs Carpet Factory will be broadcast on Newstalk on 17th December at 7am and 10pm. A big thank you to everyone who contributed and helped make it happen.

### Niall Mór Centre 074 97 41863

***southwestdonegalcdp1@gmail.com*** & Facebook  
**Killybegs Walk and Talk Group:** Thursdays 10am.  
**Citizens Advice/ Info:** Mondays 10am-12:30 pm.  
**Scrabble Morning:** Monday 10.30am-12:00, €2pp.  
**Safepass Course:** Sat 14th Jan 8am - 5pm, €100 pp.  
**Basket-making Workshop:** Held on a weekend in January, to be confirmed. If interested ring Centre.

### Blessed Sacrament Adoration

11th December - Bríd O'Callaghan  
18th December - Patricia Boyle

<b>Sunday Collection</b>	€ 1,425.00
<b>Restoration Fund:</b>	
Envelopes 3rd & 4th December	€ 1,595.00
Donation	€ 1,000.00
<b>Total Restoration Fund:</b>	<b>€2,631,002.78</b>

**Shaun Curran** will do a 30k sponsored walk this Sunday 11th December in aid of LAST Lost At Sea Tragedies from Donegal Town - Killybegs. Sponsorship cards available locally. Your support would be appreciated.

**Carer Wanted** for elderly lady with dementia. Contact 0879795259.

**CLG Na Cealla Beaga Senior Board AGM** in Tara Hotel, 5pm, Sunday 18th December.

**Jim Rafferty 10th Anniversary Commemorative Concert** in St Conal's Church, Glenties, on Wed 14th December 7.30pm featuring Ulster University Choir.

### Citizen's Assembly Submission re the 8th Amendment

A brief submission (500 words max) can be emailed to [info@citizensassembly.ie](mailto:info@citizensassembly.ie) or see leaflets in church porch.

**Coffee morning for Simon North West** in Marian Breslin's home in Tullid on Friday 16th December from 10am til 2pm. Come along and have a cuppa & catch up before Xmas supporting a worthy cause.