

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

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



**The Season of Lent 2016**

- During Lent there will be Mass at **8.30am on Tuesday** mornings.
- There will be Stations of the Cross on **Thursdays at 7.00pm**
- Trócaire Boxes are now available. In the words of Pope Francis: *a little bit of mercy makes the world less cold and more just.*

**Meeting for Readers in the Chapel**  
Wednesday 17th February 7.30pm

- Any new Reader would be very welcome
- We want to finalise rota for Sunday Readers & Weekday Readers
- Make arrangements for Holy Week
- A full attendance would be appreciated.

**Last Man Standing: 5** entries remaining after **Week 5**, 1 eliminated in week 5. The 6th round of matches takes place starting Saturday 13th February. Good luck.  
**Week 6 Breaking News: 3 more eliminated. Just 2 standing, waiting the result of Saturday evening's match.**

**Killybegs Community Council**

*Draft of Local Area Development Plan* available for viewing on Thursday 18th February 4 – 8pm in Bay View Hotel. Council Staff will be there.

**Primary Schools Enrolment** new entrants Sept 2016.  
Niall Mór N.S. Mon 22nd - Thurs 25th Feb during school hours.

**The Knit, Natter, Crochet & Chatter Group** starting Tuesday 16th February 7- 9pm in Writers' Corner Bayview Hotel. A new weekly gathering of knitters & crochet lovers getting together. Beginners welcome.

**Tax Rebates**

Tax relief on donations of €250 or over, made to the church annually, can be claimed for the Restoration Fund. We can now claim back money you have already paid in taxes for the years 2013, 2014 & 2015. New changes were introduced to this Donations Scheme in the 2013 Finance Act, which broadens the scheme and simplifies its administration.

The main changes are as follows:

- Tax relief can now be claimed from both PAYE and SELF ASSESSED.
- Refunds will be given to us at a specified rate, currently 31%.
- Instead of signing a certificate annually, a new Enduring Declaration can be signed, valid for 5 years. We will contact by post all eligible donors, inviting you to sign the Enduring Declaration (valid until 2017). We hope to process the Tax Rebates for 2013, 2014 & 2015 in the next month.

**The Lyit School of Tourism, Killybegs,**

presents

**A Four-Course Gourmet Dinner**



**A Fundraising Event**

in aid of St Mary's Restoration Fund in the School of Tourism, Killybegs, on Tuesday, 8th March 2016, 7.00pm.

Limited places.

- Includes Cocktails, Mocktails, Wine
- Raffle Prizes
- A number of items for Auction

Why not organise a small group for this informal evening's entertainment?

*Tickets €30 now available from Ann in the Parish Office.*

**First Communion Parents Group** meets this Monday 15th February 8.00pm in Parish Office.

**'Do This in Memory'** Celebration: next Sunday 21st February 11.00am.

- **Sunday 14th February 2016: First Sunday of Lent, Cycle C**
- **Weekday Readings: First Week of Lent**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>13th February:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Joseph Cunningham (2nd Anniversary) Anna & Peter Michael Molloy (Anniv) Jack & Kathleen Gatins (Anniversaries)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>14th February:</b>	<b>09.00am</b> - Special Intentions <b>11.00am</b> - Tara McGuinness (19th Anniversary)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>15th February:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Special Intentions
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>16th February:</b>	<b>08.30am</b> - Special Intentions
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>17th February:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Edward & Nora Leslie (Anniversaries)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>18th February:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Special Intentions <b>07.00pm</b> - <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>19th February:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Frankie Daniels Cunningham & Bridget McBride (Anniversaries)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>20th February:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Maggie McTeague (Anniversary) Neil Quinn (deceased, 100th birthday) Agnes McIntyre (Anniversary) Mary O'Donnell (Anniversary)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>21st February:</b>	<b>09.00am</b> - Michael Quinn (Anniversary) <b>11.00am</b> - Connell McBrearty (Anniversary)

**Adoration:** Sunday 6pm to Monday Midnight. **Confessions:** Saturdays, 6.30pm.  
**Rosary & Divine Mercy** Tuesday 6.30pm in Adoration Room.

**Pray for those who died recently: Michael O'Shaughnessy, whose funeral was in Wales on Thursday (brother-in-law of Patricia O'Callaghan, The Hill); Michael Rice, Castlewellan, Co Down, who died Saturday am, funeral on Monday (uncle of Maurice Rice & Catherine Smith). Pray for: Jim & Kathleen McGettigan, Sharon McSorley, Tom McBrearty, Paddy & Mary Haughey. *Suaimhneas Sioraí.***

**Thank you** to everyone who contributed to the recent Church Gate Collection for the Bluestack Special Needs Foundation. €678 was collected.

**Blessed Sacrament Adoration**  
14th February - Mary Hegarty  
21st February - Christine Smith

**Margaret Connell**, Foot Health Practitioner, will attend the Family Health Centre on Wednesday 17th February. For appointments tel: 087 1417180.

**Sunday Collection** € 1,435.00  
**Restoration Fund:**  
Envelopes 6th & 7th February € 1,647.00  
Donations € 570.00  
**Total Restoration Fund: €2,523,819.78**  
*Thank you for your continued generosity.*

**The Millennium Room Training Restaurant** in the School of Tourism is open to the public on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Service is from 12.30pm to 1.30pm. Booking essential. Tel: (074) 9186600

**Áislann Chill Chartha, Comhrá le cupán tae** Irish language learners and anyone who wants to pick up a few words or phrases come along every Wednesday 11am - 2pm. All welcome.

**Forty Days of Lent** for €40  
Leisure Centre Membership in Bay View Hotel, Available from Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February.

**2016 Doodle 4 Google Competition**  
Please vote for Deirdre McGuinness as one overall winner is selected for a €10,000 technology grant for their school. Voting takes place from 7th - 14th February. [www.google.ie/doodle4google](http://www.google.ie/doodle4google)  
*Select Group 5 and vote for Deirdre.*

**Donegal Cancer Bus**

- €1250 from Máire O'Donnell proceeds from Boxing Night Quiz in Tara Hotel.
- €1600 from The Card Players in the Commons N.S.

Many thanks to Máire and P.J. Leslie. Money raised goes to the running of the bus to Galway and it's free of charge for anyone travelling there, leaving Killybegs on Mondays and picking up on the way to meet up with the Letterkenny bus. Collected on Fridays back to Killybegs. For info. 0749731273.

**Italian Escorted Tour** to Benevento, San Giovanni & Sorrento also visiting Pietrelcina & Pompeii 16th June for 7 nights. Cost €999. Tel 071 9857729 / 01 2410816

*Take time - appreciate the wonders of life.*