St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs Parish Office, Killybegs, Co. Donegal. Tel: +353 (0)74 9731013 Parish Secretary: Ann O'Donnell (Office Open: Mon to Fri. 9.15am to 2.45pm) Email: info@killybegsparish.com Website: killybegsparish.com Parish Priest: Fr. Colm Ó Gallchóir: Tel: 074 9731013/30 Masses and Services: Live streaming www.mcnmedia.tv (link on website)

St Patrick's Day: Tuesday 17th March Masses (celebrated behind closed doors) streamed live: 7pm (Vigil), 9am &11am. Christ with me. Christ before me. Christ behind me. Christ in me. Christ beneath me, Christ above me. Christ on my right, Christ on my left. Christ when I lie down. Christ when I sit down. Christ when I arise. Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me. Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig Oraibh Uilig Wishing everyone, near and far,

> A Happy St. Patrick's Day. The Cross of Suffering

There is a box in the sanctuary for your Cross of Suffering: we invite you to write a name or an intention, personal or global, on the Intention Sheet provided, which will be remembered collectively at all Masses during Lent. We pray that your Cross of Suffering will be transformed into a Beacon of Light through the healing power of God. The box will be placed at the foot of the Cross on Good Friday, remaining unopened until its contents will be placed in the Easter Fire on Holy Saturday Night, praving that the Risen Christ will bring hope & healing to all who are suffering.

The Coronavirus:

basic guidelines to protect yourself and others

- Learn how to wash your hands thoroughly.
- Keep your hands away from your face, mouth, nose and eyes.
- Keep your distance from sneezes and coughs
- Use tissues and dispose of them safely. Otherwise, cough into your elbow joint.
- We will keep the holy water fonts empty for now.

The Coronavirus Pandemic: New Directives

Following the Government's directive and norms outlined for the Diocese of Raphoe, new arrangements are in place with immediate effect.

'Dealing with the Coronavirus threat is a source of worry for all of us. It is a moment for us to be in praverful solidarity with each other. It is, in fact, a time when praver and our reliance on God is more important then ever. We remember that the Lord will *never abandon his people. It will be important that* we look out for each other and especially the most vulnerable. We remember people who may need support; maybe someone to do the shopping for them. A phone call could make a huge difference to someone who feels the need to be in isolation for their own protection'. (Bishop Alan)

All Masses with congregations, Sunday, Holyday and Weekday, are cancelled until 29th March. Everyone is dispensed from the Sunday obligation until then.

Masses will be celebrated behind closed doors at the usual times and will be streamed live: go to the parish website: *killvbegsparish.com* to get a link (or go to *mcnmedia.tv*).

This means the church will be closed during the celebration of Masses. That's a restriction we have to live with for everyone's wellbeing. The church will open after morning Masses; the church will close one hour before evening Masses. Otherwise the church will be open throughout the day and you are encouraged to go in and to pray.

There will be no Adoration for the time being.

Confirmation is postponed until further notice.

Special arrangements will be made for weddings funerals and baptisms. We ask that only the immediate family attend. In keeping with Government guidelines it must be less than 100 people. It is important that people be discouraged from travelling to funerals at this time.

The Parish Newsletter will be available in the church and online as usual.

It's vitally important that we take every precaution to protect ourselves and others from the Coronavirus and to pray especially for those who are working in the frontline in the service of others.

Sunday 15th March 2020: Third Sunday of Lent Year A

Weekday Readings:

Third Week of Lent

Due to the Coronavirus restrictions all celebrations below take place behind closed doors and will be streamed live: go to killybegsparish.com for a link to the live streaming

Saturday	14th March:	Annie Keeney (2nd Anniversary) Kathleen & Paddy Thornton (Anniversaries) Patrick Haughey (Anniversary) Pat Quinn (9th Anniversary)
Sunday	15th March:	Margaret McGuinness (Anniversary) 09.00am - Special Intention
		11.00am - Pat O'Callaghan (10th Anniversary)
Monday	16th March:	07.00pm - Bridget O'Hara (2nd Anniversary)
Tuesday St Patrick's Day	17th March:	09.00am - Special Intention
		11.00am - Cassie O'Donnell (Anniversary)
Thursday	19th March:	10.00am - Special Intention
		07.00pm - Stations of the Cross
Friday	20th March:	10.00am - Willie & Nellie Murphy (Anniversaries)
Saturday	21st March:	07.00pm - Jim & Kitty McBrearty (Anniversary) John & Helen McBrearty (Anniversaries) Rose & Charlie Conwell (Anniversaries)
Sunday	22nd March:	09.00am - Special Intention 11.00am - Joe Flannery R.I.P.

Adoration, Confessions, Rosary/ Divine Mercy Cancelled until further notice

Pray for: Mary Rose Gallagher, whose funeral was in Ardara recently (mother of Philip Gallagher, St Cummins Hill); Joe Flannery, Funeral Mass in Whitstable, Kent, on Wednesday 12.30pm (brother of Lena Gavigan). Pray for: Peadar Gallagher, Annie Byrne, Pettie & Dymphna McHugh, Ardara, Tommy Hegarty. Suaimhneas Síoraí.



O Blessed Patrick, with the Lord now in His holy place, Win a home for us there to see you face to face.

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Radio Maria Ireland is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station.	Blessed Sacrament Adoration Adoration is cancelled until further notice	
Listen via TV on Saorview - Channel 210 and Freeview - Channel 826; Download our free app: 'Radio Maria Ireland'. Daily Mass will be aired at 10am each day	Sunday Collection $€ 1,325.00$ Restoration Fund $Envelopes 7th \& 8th March$ $€ 1,470.00$ Total Restoration Fund: $€ 3,173,471.43$	
Killybegs Employment Project	Thank you for your continued generosity.	
Church Cleaner required for St Mary's (<i>CE eligibility criteria applies</i>). For more info contact Colin or Ann Marie at Project Office in Foresters Hall, 0749731666, email kepltd1@eircom.net	Niall Mór Centre 9741863 Áislann Chill Chartha 0749738376 Ring the Centre for enquiries.	
Novena to Saint Patrick from 8th – 16th March. Visit www.padraignaofa.ie to download the novena.	The Irish Cancer Society has cancelled Daffodil Day 2020 nationwide due to the Coronavirus.	
Cuan Mhuire Shamrocks Shamrocks in the church in aid of Sr Consilio's Cuan Mhuire Addiction Treatment Centres for those suffering from addiction of alcohol, gambling drugs etc. €2. Please support.	Bluebird Care are seeking Registered Nurses with tracheostomy experience (essential) for a family in the South Donegal area, to work with a child in their own home. Hours are for days and nights. Tel: Annette Duddy 074 91 29562.	

