St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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Joy is making the most of the present, enjoying what is at hand right now. Joy is love bubbling over into life. Joy is the flag we fly when Christ, the Prince of Peace, resides in our hearts.

Christmas Carol Service

The Church was packed to capacity last Wednesday night as young people from the local schools gathered to sing and praise in honour of the Prince of Peace whose birth we celebrate at Christmas.

Our sincere thanks to all the pupils from Niall Mór N.S., Commons N.S., Fintra N.S. and St Catherine's Vocational School who made it a memorable night of song and praise.

Thanks to all the musicians, teachers and all the helpers. Thanks to the Parish Choir, the Readers, the Collectors and to everyone who attended and participated, making it a memorable night as Christmas approaches. The Collection came to €1,422 and will be forwarded to the Capuchin Day Centre in Dublin in

support of their work with homeless people and those on the poverty threshold. Sincere thanks.



Christmas Shop Now Open!!

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

The Three Tenors in Concert

Sunday 24th February, 8pm St Mary's Church, Stranorlar Tickets €25: Alexanders Shop 074-9131007, The Book Centre 074-9592126, Andies Superstore 0749132238 Local School Choir Guests! The Perfect Gift for 2019!

Advent Service of Reconciliation

tomorrow, Monday 17th December 7.00pm.

Please arrive in good time and maintain a spirit of prayer and peace throughout the service.

We wait in certainty of God's mercy, without judgement and with humility for God is the God of love.

Be with us as we wait.

Be with us as we pray.

Be with us always in love.

Important Christmas Celebrations

Christmas Children's Mass:

Monday 24th December 7.00pm *Christmas 'Midnight' Mass:*

Monday 24th December 11.00pm Christmas Day Masses:

Tuesday 25th December 9am & 11am

Children's Practices: All are welcome

(for Children's Christmas Eve 7.00pm Mass)
Practices for Christmas Play and Junior Choir:
Tomorrow Monday 17th December 5.00pm
and Tuesday 18th December 5.00pm.
Please attend both practices.

Parish Christmas Deliveries

Sincere thanks to everyone who helped with the Christmas deliveries. It was a real team effort which is greatly appreciated. More calendars available from the Parish Office.

Sunday Missal 2019

Now available for a special price: €5.
Complimentary copy for all Readers and
Ministers of the Eucharist.
Available from Sacristy or Parish Office.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society recent collection amounted to €732.08. Thanks to everyone who contributed.

Last Man Standing: 284 Entries

129 still standing after 'Week 4'. The remaining entrants are posted on the Parish Website (under Newsletters), on the noticeboard in Church Porch and Parish Office window. Thanks for the support.

First Communion 'Do This In Memory' Celebration: this Sunday 16th December 11.00am.

• Sunday 16th December 2018: Third Sunday of Advent Cycle C

Weekday Readings: Third Week of Advent

Saturday 15th December: 07.00pm - Tom Rowan (2nd Anniversary)

Gerard Byrne & Mickey Cannon (40th Anniversaries)

Jerry O'Neill (8th Anniversary)

Sunday 16th December: 09.00am - Christina Campbell (2nd Anniversary) 11.00am - Mícheal Mooney (10th Anniversary)

Monday 17th December: 10.00am - Frank Gallagher (Anniversary)

07.00pm - Advent Service of Reconciliation

Tuesday 18th December: 10.00am - Mary Mahon R.I.P.
Thursday 20th December: 07.00pm - Special Intentions

Friday 21st December: 10.00am - Josephine Haughey (3rd Anniversary) 8aturday 22nd December: 07.00pm - Sarah McCloskey (Anniversary)

Maggie & Jim McFadden (Anniversaries) James & Sarah O'Donnell (Anniversaries)

Packie Melly & Brid Dunne (Anniversaries)

Sunday 23rd December: 09.00am - Special Intentions 11.00am - Special Intention

Adoration: Sunday 6.00pm to Monday Midnight Please note: Mass on Thursday 7.00pm.

Confessions: Saturday 6.30pm

Rosary/ Divine Mercy/Adoration Adoration Room Tues 5.45pm - 6.45pm.

Pray for: Hammy Kyles, St Cummins Hill, whose funeral took place on Thursday.

Pray for: Charles McLaughlin, Anna Martin, Annie McGuinness.

Suaimhneas Síoraí.

Charity Table Quiz

in Tara Hotel on Thursday 27th December at 10pm in aid of Children's Hospital, Crumlin. Please support.

Christmas Bingo Monday 17th December at 9pm Hampers & prizes galore to be won No Bingo on Christmas Eve No Bingo New Year's Eve Bingo on Saturday 29th December, 8pm (after Mass).

The final 'Oíche Airneál' of 'Bliain na Gaeilge' in Áislann Chill Chartha tonight, Sat 15th Dec. at 8pm.

Niall Mór Centre 9741863 Ring to book a place..

Citizen's Advice: Mondays 2.30pm - 4pm.

Pilates with Martina: Mondays mixed class 9-10pm. To book tel: 0863846302.

Parent & Toddler Group: Tuesdays, 11am-12.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Slimming World: Tuesdays 5pm & 7pm. Weight Watchers: Mondays: 4.45pm & 6pm.

Words of wisdom...

I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

Maya Angelou

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

16th December - Patricia O'Boyle 23rd December - Bríd Callaghan

Sunday Collection€1,345.00Flower Collection€ 425.00Mission Sunday€ 5.00Cemetery€ 10.00Restoration Fund

Envelopes 8th & 9th December $\in 1,445.00$ Donations $\in 1,550.00$ Wedding Donation $\in 500.00$

Total Restoration Fund: € 2,988,919.43

Thanks for your continued support

Found.. Man's watch found on Shore Road. Please contact Mooney's 074 9731152

Áislann Chill Chartha 074 9738376

Aislann Fitness Suite Special Offer
1 Year Membership. Adult €99 Student
(16/18 Years) €85. Gift Vouchers Available.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Michaela McGinn & Paul Hughes who were married recently.

The secret of staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly, and lie about your age!

Lucille Ball