

## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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**Mass at Croaghlin Mass Rock:** Our sincere thanks to everyone for their help with Mass at Croaghlin Mass Rock on Thursday 15th August, the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady. The Mass was well attended, so many people were involved in the preparations and celebrations. We were blessed with the presence of St Catherine's Band, newly crowned All-Ireland Champions, the presence of the Parish Choir and Mark & Kelly from New Jersey renewed their Marriage vows, as they celebrated the 20th anniversary of their wedding. Furthermore, the rain once again stayed away! The Mass Rock site was in great shape thanks to Gillen McGuinness, PJ Flanagan, Lee Kelly & Peadar Gillespie. The Mass Rock Committee, including James Gavigan, Thomas Hegarty, Hubert Breslin & Johnny Paul McGuinness, looked after the flags and the chairs. Patrick Boyle installed a new beautiful holy water font behind the altar and varnished the Mass Rock Plaque. And many brought flowers to adorn the site in honour of Our Lady. Liam Conneely organised the transport. Our sincere thanks to all concerned. We're grateful also to all the Ministers of the Eucharist, Readers, Gift Bearers & Collectors. Special thanks to the Parish Choir & St Catherine's Band. Ann in the Parish Office and Patricia our Sacristan played a blinder as usual. And the refreshments afterwards were much appreciated, including the home baking. Thanks to Ann Marie Leslie & John for organising Meehan's Mobile Kitchen and to Annie & all the helpers, including Dina & PJ next door and to Plunkett Smith. We are grateful to Conal McGuinness for facilitating us at this idyllic location.



**Congratulations to St Catherine's Band, Killybegs** who were crowned All Ireland Champions at the Fleadh in Wexford last weekend. It's been an eventful year for the Band, becoming Donegal & Ulster Champions, as well as a St Patrick's Day performance in New York. We're grateful to them for joining us for Mass at Croaghlin Mass Rock on 15th August. And now they are off to Tralee this weekend for the festival. Enjoy!

### Entrance Hymn: Holy Mary Full of Grace

When creation was begun  
 God has chosen you to be  
 Mother of his blessed Son,  
 Holy Mary, full of grace. *Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria.*



When creation was restored  
 You were there beside the Lord  
 Whom you cherished and adored,  
 Holy Mary, full of grace. *Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria.*

Praise the Father and the Son  
 And the Spirit, three in one,  
 As it was when time begun,  
 Now and evermore, Amen *Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria.*

**Thank You** The family of the late Margaret O'Callaghan, Bruckless (Gallagher, Meenakillew Ardara) would like to thank all those who helped in her last few years: carers, nurses, doctor, hairdresser, priest; and all those who sympathised on Margaret's death, those who sent Holy Mass offerings, sympathy cards and attended the wake and funeral. Mass will be offered for your intentions. Month's Mind Mass in Ardara on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 11am.



- ◆ **Sunday 18th August 2024: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time** Year B
  - ◆ **Weekday Readings: Twentieth 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 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)  
**Monday 19th August: 10.00am** - Special Intentions  
**Tuesday 20th August: 10.00am** - Special Intentions  
**Friday 23rd August: 10.00am** - Special Intentions  
**Saturday 24th August: 07.00pm** - Ken Byrne (6th Anniversary)  
 Margart & Frank Brennan (Anniversaries)  
 Jim & Rita Burke (Anniversaries)  
**Sunday 25th August: 09.00am** - Bridie & Willie Hegarty, Frank & Kieran Hegarty,  
 Anna Marie Murphy (Anniversaries)  
 11.00am - Michael Gallagher (7th Anniversary)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: *Monday 11am - 7pm*. Please Note: *No Mass on Thursday*

**Pray for: Margaret O'Callaghan, Bruckless/Ardara, who died recently. *Suaímhneas Sioraí.***

- 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.

- Sunday Collection** 11th August € 1,220.00  
 Donation € 300.00  
**Maintenance Fund** 11th August € 1,460.00  
 Graveyard Donation € 200.00

**Parish Choir Practice** Monday 7.15pm

- 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

**Visiting Cruise Ships**  
*Nautica* Saturday 17th August 9am - 6pm; 372 Crew, 803 Passengers.  
*Island Sky* Saturday 17th August 8am - 11pm; 70 Crew, 118 Passengers.  
*Seven Seas Navigator* Thurs 22th Aug 9am - 6pm; 345 Crew, 557 Passengers.  
*Insignia* Friday 23rd August 8am - 3pm; 372 Crew, 803 Passengers.

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

**Cursillo** The national Cursillo pilgrimage to Knock Shrine is on Saturday 7th September. A bus leaving Letterkenny at 8am and stopping in Donegal Town. To book T: Clare on 0871375567

**Sunday Social** in Dunkineely Community Centre on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August 8pm - 10 pm. Music: Country Roads. Adm €10. Refreshments.

**Liturgy of the Word for Children**  
 Sunday 8th September 11am.

**Aislann Chill Chartha 0749738376**  
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 Now taking names for classes starting Monday 23rd September. Booking essential. Contact the Centre / email [noelmcginleyaislann@gmail.com](mailto:noelmcginleyaislann@gmail.com)  
 Updates on Facebook page.

**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)



**Heritage Week 2024** Kilcar, Sat 24<sup>th</sup> August:  
*Sr Catherine Campbell O.P.*, author of 'Sacred Sites in the Parish of Kilcar' will give a talk at St Matthew's Church and make a tour of St Cartha's Church (begin at Aislann car park 11am). *Leitir Corn Mill* is hosting an open day with tours of the restored Mill from 11am to 4pm.