

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.

Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.

Fast from anger and be filled with patience.

Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.

Fast from worries and have trust in God.

Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.

Fast from pressures and be prayerful.

Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.

Fast from grudges and be reconciled.

Fast from words; be silent and listen.



The Sacrament of Confirmation:

Sunday 25th February 11am.

Special Notice

There are 41 candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation and each family is being allocated one seat, which means the Church will be full to capacity with Candidates, their families and teachers.

We would ask those attending Mass next weekend to go to the 7pm Vigil Mass or 9am Mass to avoid 'overcrowding' at the 11am Mass.

We want this Mass to be special for all who are being confirmed and for their families.

The Season of Lent 2024

- **Trócaire Boxes** are now available.
- **Walk With Me:** A Lenten Journey of Prayer €2. Place donation in the money boxes in porch.

*Sunrise comes unbidden
All is gift
This new day
Calling us to gratitude*



Sr Stan

Parish Choir Practice Monday 7.15pm

Mass of Thanksgiving with Bishop McGuckian on Monday 26th February at 7pm in St. Eunan's Cathedral, Letterkenny, to mark his departure from the Diocese. Followed by refreshments. All welcome.

Entrance Hymn: Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now I'm found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come.
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace that will lead me home.



Final Hymn: God's Spirit is in My Heart

God's spirit is in my heart,
He has called me and set me apart,
This is what I have to do, what I have to do.

*He sent me to bring the good news to the poor,
Tell prisoners that they are prisoners no more,
Tell blind people that they can see,
And set the downtrodden free.*

*And go tell everyone
The news that the Kingdom of God has come,
And go tell everyone
The news that God's kingdom has come.*

Don't worry what you have to say,
Don't worry because on that day,
God's Spirit will speak in your heart,
Will speak in your heart. (Chorus)



◆	Sunday 18th February 2024: First Sunday of Lent	Year B
◆	Weekday Readings: First Week in Lent	
Masses will be relayed on the webcam: go to killybegsparish.com for a link to Online Services		
Friday	16th February:	10.00am - Baby Rian Vince (Anniversary)
Saturday	17th February:	07.00pm - Jackie & Ann McGettigan (Month's Mind Mass) Tony Gallagher (45th Anniversary)
Sunday	18th February:	09.00am - Tara McGuinness (Anniversary) 11.00am - Manus & Annie Heraghty (Anniversaries)
Monday	19th February:	10.00am - Special Intentions
Tuesday	20th February:	10.00am - Special Intentions
Thursday	22nd February:	10.00am - Marie Byrne (Anniversary)
Friday	23rd February:	07.00pm - Michael Cunningham (Month's Mind Mass)
Saturday	24th February:	07.00pm - Charles & Molly McCahill & Anne Moloney (Anniv) Annie Byrne (3rd Anniversary) Finola O'Rourke (5th Anniversary) Peter Breslin (12th Anniversary)
Sunday	25th February:	09.00am - Virginia Bowden (1st Anniversary) 11.00am - Sacrament of Confirmation

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Monday 11am - 7pm. Friday: Mass 7pm.

Pray for: Willie McCallig, Five Points, whose funeral took place on Thursday (Burial in Bruckless); Frank Ward, who died in Coventry, formerly from Roughra, Killybegs (brother of Phyllis Melly); Vincent Doherty, Ballindrait, who died on Tuesday (brother of Eva Murrin, Fintra); Angela Kennedy, who died in Glasgow on Wednesday (wife of Joe Kennedy); Pray for: Edward Leslie. *Suaimhneas Sioraí.*

Liturgy of the Word for Children
We propose to reintroduce gradually the Liturgy of the Word for Children at the Sunday 11am Mass, initially on the first Sunday of the month:
Sunday 3rd March & Sunday 7th April at 11am.
The children (aged 4 upwards) would go to the Adoration Room with the Catechists after the Opening Prayer, celebrate in word, song, prayer and different activities and return after Communion time. We need more volunteers to help out (giving you the title 'catechist').
To prepare for the first session, there will be a meeting in the Parish Office this *Monday 19th Feb at 6.45pm.* If you can help out, please come along to this meeting. In the past, the children & helpers really enjoyed these Sunday sessions.

Lenten Day of Recollection in Donegal Town Church & Parish Centre on Saturday 2nd March. Mass 10am, ends 3.30pm. Bring a packed lunch.

Alone Donegal We are seeking volunteers in your area to help older people who'd like extra social contact. (1 hour a week) Full training and support provided. Sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/>
For more info: Helena.madden@alone.ie or call 086 0145829 or 074-9321598.

Killybegs Festival and Events: Public meeting/ AGM update Wed 21st Feb 7.30pm, Fleet Inn.

Sunday Social in Dunkineely Community Centre Sunday 25th Feb 8-10 pm. €10.

Aislann Chill Chartha 0749738376
Sandy Kelly Concert Friday 1st March 8pm. €30.

Mary's Meals Art Sale in Frosses Sat 9th & Sun 10th March. 150 paintings have been donated.

Donegal ETB's 2024 Further Education and Training Fair Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny Wed 28th Feb 7pm-9pm, Thurs 29th 10am - 2pm.

Thank You €375 was raised in a recent 25 Card Drive in Bay View Hotel for Daniel Gallagher's GoFundMe. Thank you to all who supported and donated. P.J. Leslie

Chiropody Clinic in Atlantic Marine Building Tues 20th Feb. Tel: Patricia Murphy 086 3776581