# St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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# Two New Paintings

- Two paintings were commissioned by Fr Colm on behalf of the parish in December 2013.
- The theme of the paintings was proposed by the Confirmation Class of 2012: one painting to depict the Visitation, seeing that our church is dedicated to St Mary of the Visitation, recalling the Blessed Virgin Mary carrying her Son within her and visiting her cousin Elizabeth, also pregnant; the other painting depicting John the Baptist, Elizabeth's son, baptising Jesus, Mary's Son, in the river Jordan, anointing him with the Spirit.
- It is appropriate that this latter painting be placed above the Baptismal Font.
- The paintings are the work of Michelle Butcher, a London based artist, assisted by Nigel Nash, a specialist portrait artist.
- Our thanks to: Sean Doherty, for framing the paintings and putting them in place; Michael McGuinness and Eugene Collins for their help all along the way.
- Both paintings will be unveiled and blessed on Saturday evening 19th July at 7pm Mass.
- Sponsorship for the new paintings would be most welcome.
- The two new brass handles, on the main porch side doors, came from the newly refurbished Burlington Hotel, courtesy of Eugene Collins, Downings Antiques.

# Church work: repair of defects and dry-rot treatment

With McCann Bros going into voluntary liquidation in October 2012 and following protracted negotiations through the Bond mechanism, Balcon Construction Ltd, Strabane, was appointed last October to make good all defects. When their work was almost complete, dry rot was detected: in the Adoration Room before Christmas and in the main body of the Church a few months ago. Danny Ball and his men have almost completed the work with great care and consideration.

Blessing of the Fleet Mass at Auction Hall on Saturday 2nd August 7pm.

Donegal Garden Trail Martin & Carmel McLaughlin will have their Open Garden at Cille, Kilcar on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th July 12 noon - 6pm & Saturday 26th July 12 noon - 6pm. Special Open Day with Golden Eagle and Birds of Prey: Sunday 27th July 12 noon - 6pm. Donation to charity.

### Gravevard Mass: Friday 25th July 7.00pm

- The Garden of Remembrance for Babies and Children, which is located at the top of the old graveyard, is being honoured on Friday evening. Members of Killybegs Men's Shed have produced beautiful and appropriate pieces in memory of all who are buried there and Community Employment participants have carried out excellent work there and elsewhere in the graveyard.
- The gates in the upper part of the graveyard have been repaired, treated and painted, courtesy of Gerard Bray & team.
- We encourage everyone to maintain the graves of their loved ones.
- A skip is now in place, strictly for graveyard use only.
- Do not throw rubbish at the sides of the graveyard or anywhere in the grounds.
- As well as ongoing maintenance, the Children's Garden of Remembrance and the Scathlán Mhuire area have been renewed by Community Employment. The collection at the Graveyard Mass will go towards the costs of materials involved. Please support this valuable and ongoing work.

## Na Cealla Beaga U14 GAA Team

Well done on their gallant effort in the County Semi-Final last week. They had a terrific season!

M.S. Prisendam Cruise Ship will dock in Killybegs on Monday 21st July with 820 passengers and 420 crew. A Craft Fair will be held in the Bay View

Hotel, starting 9am. Admission Free.

Congratulations & Best Wishes

to Sinéad Cahill & Sandeep Vohra who were married recently.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage

€450: 11<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> October and 18<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> October. 7 nights B&B + Flight + Airport transport Tel 00353 1 4434510 / 048 82 241 888 www.med-irishcentre.com noelle@med-irishcentre.com

Do not be disheartened by anything Deut. 31:8

• Sunday 20th July 2014: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle A)

Weekday Readings: 16th Week of Ordinary Time (Cycle 2)

Saturday 19th July: 07.00pm - Daniel Byrne (Anniversary)

Sunday 20th July: 09.00am - Willie Kennedy & Bridie & Joe Kennedy (Anniv)

11.00am - Funeral Mass for Michael Rodgers R.I.P.

William Hamilton (Anniversary)

Monday 21st July: 10.00am - Annie & John Francis & Pat McBrearty (Anniv) Wednesday 23rd July: 07.00pm - Raymond & Susan Hourican (Anniversaries)

Thursday 24th July: 10.00am - James Carr (Anniversary)

Friday St James Saturday St James 25th July: 07.00pm - Graveyard Mass 07.00pm - Brian Gillespie (Anniversary) 09.00am - John Paul & Agatha McGuinness

(28th & 20th Anniversary)

11.00am - Eamonn Curran (Anniversary)

Confessions: Saturday 6.30pm; Adoration: Sunday 6pm to Monday midnight in Adoration Room

**Pray for those who died recently: Michael Rodgers,** formerly Killybegs & Bay View Hotel. Remains reposing in the Chapel Saturday night. Funeral Mass Sunday 11am.

Pray for: Breege Hegarty, Timmy Morgan, Annie Murray, Mary Teresa Mc Nally.

Suaimhneas Síoraí.

#### **Summer Coach Tour to Kilkenny**

Conneely Travel and JIW Tours have organised a 'summer special' 3 day tour to Kilkenny and Carlow Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> - Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> July. A fun, social bus tour outing, with gentle strolls and two nights dinner, B&b in Hotel Kilkenny. For info, cost and bookings, ring Keith 087-9213200 or Liam 087-2944555.

## Na Cealla Beaga Senior Ladies 5k Fundraiser Walk / Run

Friday 8th August at 6.30pm in association with Killybegs Street Festival. €500 in prizes.

Open to men & woman. Kids route starting 6.15pm.

Team prizes Ladies & Gents. Individual prizes.

Follow our FB page Killybegs GAA for more info.

Reg at St Catherine's V. S. from 5pm.

St Catherine's Band Annual Church Gate Collection next Saturday & Sunday 26th & 27th July. Your support would be much appreciated.

The Drop In Centre and Youth Bank are holding a celebration night on Thursday the 24th of July from 7.30-9.30, in the Niall Mór Centre. The successful applicants will receive their cheques. Refreshments and entertainment afterwards. All welcome

A Send Off Concert in Nesbitt Arms Hotel on 30th July for Tamarra Payne, representing Donegal and Ulster at the Rose of Tralee. Tickets €20, tel 087 9782101. Performing; Lee Matthews, Philomena Begley, Dominic Kirwan, Crystal Swing, Aidan Quinn, Patrick Feeney & Grainne Gavigan.

# **Alzheimers Tea Morning**

in the Tara Hotel on Monday 21st July 10am - 12 noon. All welcome.

# Blessed Sacrament Adoration

20th July - Anthony McBrearty 27th July - Patricia Boyle

Sunday Collection€1,445.00Restoration & Development Fund:Envelopes 12th & 13th July€1,695.00Donation for Paintings€200.00Donation€100.00

**Total Fund:** €2,222,761.38 *Thank you for your continued generosity.* 

**Killybegs Flowers** now taking orders for Graveyard Mass 074 9732040

**Found:** Sum of money found on Main Street. Tel: 087 6154034

Margaret Connell, Foot Health Practitioner will attend the Family Health Centre on Wednesday 23rd July.
For appointments tel: 087 1417180

#### Niall Mór Centre Tel 074 9741863

| I Day Safe Pass Course |
| Sat 23rd Aug 8.30am - 4.30pm |
| Manual Handling Course |
| Thursday 4th September 4.30pm - 9.00pm |
| Citizen Information Office |
| Closed Mon 21st July, re-opens Monday 28th |
| July at 10.00am |
| Art Classes - Oil Painting |
| for beginners and improvers. |
| Lynda Gregg Yoga Class |

Thurs 14th & Fri 15th Aug 10.30am - 1.30pm. 3 Day Occupational First Aid Course FETAC Level 5 or 1 Day First Aid Refresher