

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

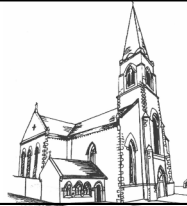
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Masses and Services: Live streaming on www.churchservices.tv



A Christmas Prayer

When the song of the angels has been stilled,
when the star has gone from the night sky,
when the kings have reached their far shores,
when the shepherds have returned to their flocks,
then the work of Christmas really begins:

to find those who are lost,
to heal those who are broken in spirit,
to feed those who are hungry,
to release those who are oppressed,
to rebuild the nations torn by strife,
to bring peace among all peoples,
to bring the light of the Gospel
into the darkest corners of our world.

We pray that we might radiate the light of Christ
through the kindness of our presence
and the determination of our purpose,
every day of our lives. Amen.

Nollaig Shona sa bhaile agus thar lear

We wish everyone peace & joy this Christmas
and, as we celebrate Christmas,
we remember those who spend Christmas
separated from family and friends.

Parish Office Christmas Gifts

There is a large and varied supply of Christmas
gifts and cards available in the Parish Office.

The Perfect Gift Two magnificent aerial
photographs of St Mary's Church in its
beautiful idyllic setting, mounted on canvas,
€49 each. *An excellent Christmas gift.*

Mary B Gallagher R.I.P.

Breda McGuinness would like to thank all her
kind family, friends and neighbours who
sympathised with her on the recent death of her
dear mum R.I.P. To all who travelled to the
wake and funeral in Dungloe, sent Mass cards,
sympathy cards and messages of sympathy.
Mass will be offered for your intentions.
May her gentle soul rest in peace.

Requiem Mass for Kath Hegarty in

St Cartha's Church, Kilcar 30th Dec 12 noon.
Followed by interring of ashes in family plot.

Pioneer Association

Congratulations to Anna Rose Doherty, Teresa
Smith and Plunkett Smith on receiving their
Gold Pins and to Eleanor Gallagher and Sarah
Gallagher on receiving their full Pioneer Pins.

Rota for Monthly Readers and Basket
Collectors now available in middle aisle.

Last Man Standing (for Restoration Fund)

Entry forms available from Parish Office.
6 weeks of Premiership matches,
Begins 10th January. Entry fee €10,
Winner gets €500, two €50 consolation prizes.

Killybegs Parish Calendar 2015

Some extra complimentary calendars available
in Parish Office for those away from home.

Parish & Restoration Envelopes

Anyone who would like a set of envelopes
please let Ann know in the Parish Office.

Christmas Masses

7.00pm (Eve): Children's Christmas Mass

11.00pm (Eve): Christmas 'Midnight' Mass

Christmas Day: Masses at **9.00am** and **11.00am**

Christmas Day Rosary at Crib at 6pm

Practices for Children's Mass (Christmas Eve 7pm):

Monday 22nd Dec 11am and Tuesday 23rd Dec 11am.

Junior Choir practice after 11am Mass today, Sunday.

'Do This In Memory'

First Communion Celebration today Sunday at 11am.

Confessions Monday 22nd Dec, after 10am Mass.

Christmas Carol Service

Sincere thanks to everyone who participated in a very
uplifting service especially all from Commons, Fintra &
Niall Mór N.S.s, St Catherine's V. S. and the Choral
Group under the direction of Paul Coughlan. Thanks to
Rev Ruth, all the Readers and the Collectors. The total
collection was €1370.00 which will be forwarded to the
Capuchin Day Care Centre, Dublin. Thank you.

Christmas Youth Mass on Sunday 28th December

5pm in St Mary's Church, Stranorlar,
followed by Christmas Party in the Parish Centre.

Sunday Missal 2015 €5 Sacristy / Parish Office.
Complimentary copy for all Ministers.

Sunday 21st December 2014: Fourth Sunday of Advent (Cycle B)

Weekday Readings: 4th Week of Advent (Cycle 1)

Saturday	20th December:	07.00pm - Sarah McCloskey (Anniversary)
Sunday	21st December:	09.00am - Special Intention 11.00am - Micheál Mooney (6th Anniversary)
Monday	22nd December:	10.00am - Tom & Cassie McBrearty (Anniversaries)
Wednesday	24th December:	CHRISTMAS EVE 07.00pm - Children's Mass Charlie & Mary McGuinness, Largy (Anniv) 11.00pm - Christmas 'Midnight' Mass Sarah Agnes & Paddy Doc Hegarty (Anniv)
Thursday	25th December:	CHRISTMAS DAY 09.00am - Ethel Blaine (9th Anniversary) 11.00am - John McGilloway (Anniversary)
Friday	26th December:	11.00am - Bridie Rawdon & Jacqueline Kallides (Anniv)
Saturday	27th December:	07.00pm - Gerard Byrne & Mickey Cannon (Anniversaries)
Sunday	28th December:	09.00am - Michael Boyle (1st Anniversary) 11.00am - Mary Ann McGill (Anniversary)

Adoration: Sunday 6pm - Monday midnight.

Confessions: Saturdays 6.30pm

Please note: Mass on Friday at 11am

Pray for: Mike Hanley, Kevin & John Beirne and deceased members of Beirne family,
John McFadden, John O'Boyle, Timothy O'Boyle, Fr Kevin Hegarty, Annie McGuinness, Eileen
Doherty, Charles McLaughlin. *Suaímhneas Síoraí.*

Junior Strictly Come Dancing 2015

It's back and it's audition time!
Calling all 3rd- 6th class pupils for
Strictly Come Dancing on Sunday 29th March.
Parents are invited to bring their children to open
auditions on Sunday 11th January in Tara Hotel.
Funds raised will go to St. Mary's Restoration Fund.
Audition times: Fintra N.S.: 10am;
Commons N.S.: 11.30am & Niall Mór N.S.: 1.30pm

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

21st December - Brendan O'Keeney
28th December - Anthony McBrearty

Sunday Collection	€ 1,635.00
Restoration & Development Fund:	
Envelopes 13th & 14th December	€ 1,535.00
Donations	€ 1,700.00
Total Fund:	€2,299,102.38

Carpet Factory Christmas Hamper draw winners

Charlie Keeney, Ronan Monaghan, Maeve Shovlin
& Chloe c/o Colm Cunningham.
Congratulations to all our winners and a big thank
you to all of those who supported the draw.

Frozen themed Santa's Grotto in the Niall Mór

Centre this Sunday 21st December 3pm-6pm.
Anna, Elsa and Olaf will be there, €8 per child.

6th Annual Boxing Day Swim in aid of

Alzheimer's Donegal Branch and Killybegs
Community Hospital. Sponsorship cards available.
Contact: *Nuala @ Sweet News; Roisin @ Centra;*
Theresa @ Fawltys Bar; Gerald @ Fleet Inn
John @ 087-2851776; Pauric @ 087-2230371;
Fionnuala @ 087-4175410; Kevin @ Garda Station.
Swim at 2pm. Arrangements to follow.

Christmas Table Quiz in Tara Hotel in aid of
Cancer Research on Boxing Night at 9.30pm

Áislann Cinema Adm €3 adults free
Mon 22nd Dec 12 noon **Frozen**
Tues 23rd Dec 12 noon **Arthur Christmas**
The Áislann reopens Friday 2nd January.
Fitness Suite opens 26th & 27th Dec 11am-2pm
Special Offer 1 Year Membership €99.
Gift Vouchers available.

Killybegs GAA Annual Christmas Bingo on
Monday 22nd December in the Foresters Hall at
9pm. Hampers and Prizes galore to be won as
well as Jackpot of €3,100 on 45 numbers.

Killybegs Baby and Toddler Group will
recommence in Foresters Hall on January 6th
10.30am -12.00. All welcome.
Raffle prize winners: PJ Gallagher, Kealan
McGuire, Daithi Kennedy. Thanks to all.

Bay View Hotel & Leisure Centre Special
Offer on memberships until Christmas Eve.