

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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



A thought..

Remaining quietly in the presence of God, listening, being attentive, requires a lot of courage and know-how.

Thomas Merton

Croaghlin Mass Rock

Our sincere thanks to everyone who helped with Mass at Croaghlin Mass Rock on Friday 15th August.

Heavy showers, which were very localised, descended upon us during the Mass but it cleared up nicely for the refreshments, which were very much appreciated.

Our thanks to the Mass Rock Committee and all who helped prepare the Mass Rock area. St Catherine's Band started off the celebration and their presence was very much appreciated. Our thanks to all who helped with the readings, prayers, gifts and collection. Thanks to the Ministers of the Eucharist, the Altar Servers, Patricia, Sacristan and Ann, Parish Secretary and to Maeve and the Choir who bravely battled the elements. The O'Keeney's kindly provided transport and Meehan's Mobile Kitchen was at hand for the refreshments. Our sincere thanks to all who helped and provided scrumptious home-made goodies. There was a good-sized congregation and this annual celebration of Mass at Croaghlin Mass Rock continues to deepen our appreciation of the heritage of faith that has been passed on to us.

Annual Mass for Expectant Families

in St Eunan's Cathedral, Letterkenny on Tuesday 8th September at 7.30pm.

Celebrant: Bishop Philip Boyce, O.C.D. All welcome.

Semi-Final Clashes to savour

All roads lead to Croke Park this coming Sunday as the Donegal Minors & Seniors take on the mighty Dubs in the All-Ireland Semi-finals. We hope the bookies have got it all wrong!
Tir Chonaill Abú!

| St Catherine's V. S. Return to School Dates | |
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| Tuesday 26th August: | 1st Year Students 8.50am - 1.15pm Staff Meeting 2.00pm - 4.00pm |
| Wednesday 27th August: | 1st Year Students 8.50am - 1.15pm Transition Year Students 8.50am - 1.15pm Staff Meeting 2.00pm - 3.20pm |
| Thursday 28th August: | 1st, 2nd & 4th Year Students 8.50am - 3.20pm |
| Friday 29th August: | All main stream students incl Repeat LC 8.50am - 3.20pm Viewing of Leaving Cert scripts 6.00pm - 9.00pm |
| Saturday 30th August: | Viewing of Leaving Cert scripts 9.00am - 12noon |
| Monday 9th September: | Post Leaving Cert courses commence |

Church Paintings

Sponsorship for the two new Church paintings would be very welcome:

The Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth and The Baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist.

Parish Finance Committee

meets this Thursday 28th August at 8pm in the Parish Office.

Rota for Daily Readers

now available on table in middle aisle.

James Kilbane, Country Gospel Concert

at 7.30pm on Sunday 21st September in Ards Friary. Tickets €15. Doors open 7.10pm. Tel: Ards 074 9138909 for tickets.

The Raphoe Diocesan Pastoral Centre upcoming courses:

- Solution Focused Brief Therapy Course
- Optimal Health Course
- Style Coaching
- ASIST (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training Course)
- The Best of Stress Management
- Anger Management
- Basic First Aid

For more info: www.raphoepastoralcentre.ie

Re-opening of Primary Schools

Commons N.S. Monday 1st September. Junior Infants finish at 12 noon.
Fintra N.S. Monday 1st September Junior Infants finish at 12.30.
Niall Mór N.S. Monday 1st September Junior Infants finish at 12.25.

- **Sunday 24th August 2014: Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle A)**
- **Weekday Readings: 21st Week of Ordinary Time (Cycle 2)**

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| Saturday | 23rd August: | 07.00pm - Margaret & Frank Brennan (Anniversaries) |
| Sunday | 24th August: | 09.00am - John & Rosaleen Melly (Anniversaries) 11.00am - Michael Hamilton (Anniversary) |
| Monday | 25th August: | 10.00am - Special Intention |
| Wednesday | 27th August: | 07.00pm - Special Intention |
| Thursday | 28th August: | 10.00am - Joe Cannon (Anniversary) |
| Friday | 29th August: | 10.00am - Denis Kinsella (Anniversary) |
| Saturday | 30th August: | 07.00pm - Terence & Brigid Carry (Anniversaries) |
| Sunday | 31st August: | 09.00am - Michael & Elizabeth Rawdon & deceased members 11.00am - Kathleen & John Briordy (Anniversaries) |

Adoration: Sunday 6pm - Monday midnight.

Pray for those who died recently: Johnny Sinnott, whose funeral takes place today, Sunday, in Kilmore, Wexford (son-in-law of Rose Boyle, Ballyara); Dessie Quinn, Drumconnor, Mountcharles. Pray for: Stella Ryan, Patrick Thornton. Suaimhneas Storaí.

Alzheimers Society Donegal Branch wish to thank everyone who contributed to their recent Tea Day. €585.62 was raised.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration
24th August - Kathleen Gillespie
31st August - Patricia Boyle

Festival Meeting Public meeting on Thursday 4th September at 8pm in Bay View Cocktail Bar regarding planning for Halloween event. Without help and support this event will not take place.

Sunday Collection € 1,745.00
Restoration & Development Fund:
Envelopes 16th & 17th August € 1,625.00
Donation for 'Murillo' Painting € 100.00
Croaghlin Mass Rock Collection € 201.00
Total Fund: €2,245,396.38
Thank you for your continued generosity.

M.S. Saga Sapphire will arrive in Killybegs on Tues 26th August with 700 passengers and 350 crew.
M.S. Artania will arrive on Saturday 30th August with 1200 passengers and 700 crew.
There will be Craft Fairs held in the Bay View Hotel on both these dates from 9am.

Niall Mór Centre 074 97 41863
Letterkenny Women's Centre Free Counselling Service every Tuesday and Wednesday.
For appointments contact Bried: 074 91 24985
Citizen Advice Office every Monday 10am - 1pm.
Manual Handling & Wheel Abrasive Course Saturday 30th August 2014. Ring to book a place.
Supervisory Management Course FETAC Level 6 29/09/2014 to 05/12/2014. Tel Solas: 07495 60500
Bookkeeping Manual & Computerised FETAC Level 5. 30/09/2014 to 06/12/2014
Two nights per week 7pm - 10pm.
Tel Solas: 07495 60500
Occupational First Aid FETAC Level 5 09/10/2014 to 15/12/2014 Tel Solas: 07495 60500

Killybegs History & Heritage Committee are holding a walking tour of Saint Catherine's Archaeological Complex on Sunday 31st August from 1pm - 3pm. Meeting at the Tourism Information Centre.

Bus Tour Excursion
Conneely Travel and JIW Tours have organised a one day excursion to Roe Valley Country Park and Derry City on Saturday 30th August. This is a fun, social bus tour outing, with some gentle strolls and a guided tour along Derry's historic walls, plus dinner. For further info, cost and bookings ring Keith on 087-9213200 or email journeyinwonder@gmail.com

Niall Mór Childcare Centre
Did you know that you might be entitled to afterschool childcare through a new scheme Pobal has announced? It is available to families in receipt of social welfare benefits to help with the cost of childcare. We also have limited places on Community Childcare Subvention (CCS), Training and Employment Childcare (TEC) and Early Childhood Care & Education (ECCE) Programmes. For more info: 074 97 48000.

Áislann Chill Chartha computer camp with other fun activities 25th - 29th Aug 10am - 3pm for 8 - 11 year olds. Tel 074 9738376. Cost €50.

Killybegs Senior Citizens Summer Outing on Sunday 7th September. More details next week..