

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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First Communion Gratitude

Our sincere thanks to everyone who helped make the First Communion celebration so special for the 52 children who received the Bread of Life for the first time. The children themselves took an active and enthusiastic part in the preparation and in the celebrations, assisted and encouraged by their teachers Múinteoirí Mary, Emer and Aisling, their parents and the parish community. We are grateful to all of them and to the Parents Group who made sure everything went smoothly throughout the year.

A special effort was made with the singing this year and it was all worth it. The Junior Choir, under the guidance of Ann O'Donnell, was excellent. The musicians Maeve Murray, Sara O'Donnell, Janet O'Neill-Boyle & Miriam Curran reached their usual superlative standard. The two groups of singers Roisín O'Donnell & Kelly McGinley and Orla McGuinness & Dearbhla Diver were real jewels in the crown. Our thanks also to members of the Senior Choir.

The party at Foresters Hall is always a winner and our thanks to Foresters Hall and to all who baked and helped with the refreshments.

Thanks to Ann, Parish Secretary, who coordinated matters and to Patricia, Sacristan, for seeing to everything in the church. Our thanks to the Altar Society, Legion of Mary, Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar Servers, Photographers and School Secretaries for all their help. We are grateful for members of Killybegs Community Project who look after the Church: Hugh and Margaret keeping the Church grounds in great shape and Christine and Heather keeping the interior of the Church in pristine condition. The celebrations on Saturday & Sunday were uplifting and joyful and appreciated by all.

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May the Lord bless everyone for their endeavours.

Restoration Grand Draw: Final Week

Draw takes place this Friday 29th May in Bay View Hotel at 10.30pm during a Parish Dance (free admission). Music by Wedding Crashers.

There are wonderful prizes:

- A six-day Trip for Two to Dubai with premier accommodation
- €2500 Holiday Voucher
- London City Break for Two
- Dublin City Break for Two
- Country Living (Sligo) Break for Two

Tickets €10 each, 3 for €20, book of 10 for €50.

Tickets can be bought after Mass or at the Parish Office or by visiting our website killybegsparish.com

Draw Committee meets Saturday 23rd May in the Parish Office 7.40pm (after Mass).

Prayer for Exams

You know, Lord, no matter how often you do exams it is always the same. I've been through all this before, the late nights, the cramming, the funny feeling in the pit of my stomach; and there always seems to be so much left to do. You would think I might be getting used to it by now. I'm not asking you to make up for what I have not done, Lord. What I am asking is a restful night's sleep and freedom from useless anxiety. Help me to have confidence in what I have done, and to get it down on paper in some kind of order. And while I think of it Lord, take care of all the others too! Amen.

Ards Friary Seven Day Open Retreat Fri 5th - Fri 12th June 2015. Directed by Fr Mark Byrne. Cost:€450. Tel: Ards Friary 074 9138909, email: info@ardsfriary.ie

Mass Rock Mass at Meenahoogan Mass Rock on Wednesday 3rd June 7pm

Confirmation and First Communion DVDs
Tel: 0876654550

May Outdoor Rosary

Sun 24th May at 8pm at The Grotto. and Wed 27th May at 8pm at Marine Drive.

• **Sunday 24th May 2015: Pentecost Sunday (Cycle B)**

• **Weekday Readings: 8th Week of Easter**

Saturday	23rd May:	07.00pm - Francis Doogan (20th Anniversary)
Sunday	24th May:	09.00am - Manus Heraghty (Anniversary) 11.00am - John Frame (4th Anniversary)
Monday	25th May:	10.00am - Deceased members Clarke & O'Grady families
Wednesday	27th May:	07.00pm - Philomena Forde (Anniversary)
Thursday	28th May:	10.00am - John & Annie Gallagher (Anniversaries)
Friday	29th May:	10.00am - Pauline McBrearty (Month's Mind Mass)
Saturday	30th May:	07.00pm - Frank & Bridie Kennedy (50th & 2nd Anniv)
Sunday	31st May:	09.00am - Etta & Mickey McMenamin (Anniversaries) 11.00am - Bernie Shorten (Anniversary)

Adoration: Sunday 6pm - Monday midnight

Confessions: Saturday 6.30pm

Pray for those whose anniversaries occur: Des Houlihan, Paddy Gallagher. *Suaímhneas Sioraí.*

If you lie down at night, knowing you made someone's day a bit better, you know you had a good day.

St. Catherine's V.S. now enrolling for Sept 2015 in the following courses:

- Nursing Studies
- Childhood Care and Education Level 5
- Childhood Care and Education Level 6
- Healthcare Support

PLC courses are grant aided and all courses are of one year duration. For further info or an application form tel: 074 9731491 / www.stcatherinesvs.ie

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

24th May - Margaret Breslin
31st May - Patricia Boyle

Sunday Collection	€ 1,440.00
Restoration & Development Fund:	
Envelopes 16th & 17th May	€ 1,626.00
Total Fund:	€2,378,033.93

Sponsored Walk in aid of Breast Cancer, Crumlin Hospital and the Cancer Bus on Saturday 6th June.

Walk from Glencolmcille to Carrick, Carrick to Kilcar and Kilcar to Killybegs. Sponsorship cards available locally.

Donegal ETB Adult Educ Services, Donegal

Town, may run the following courses: ECDL, Fetac L4 Major Award in Information and Communications Skills; L5 in Nursing Studies, L5 in Early Childhood Care & Educational. For more info tel: 9725520 / siobhancoughlan@donegaletb.ie

Car Boot Sale Áislann Chill Chartha.

Sun 7th June 12-3 pm; To book table: 9738376
Áislann Golf Classic Sat 27th June. Narin & Portnoo Golf Club. For info T: Daragh 074 9545107 or Martina 087 2453210

Coláiste Gaeilge Cill Chartha

Cúrsa A: 21st June - 5th July, €180, ages 13-17.
Cúrsa B: 12th - 19th July, €95, ages 10-13.
Bus from Tara €3 daily.
Tel: 086 1556035 for more details.

Coláiste Na Carraige thanks all who participated in the Silver Circle Draw. €28,000 was raised for the school.

Niall Mór Centre 074 97 41863 southwestdonegalcdpl@gmail.com

Weight Watchers Mondays

Slimming World Tuesdays

J C Fitness Mon-Sat. Tel John 087 9617436

Manual Handling

Yoga with Zia Thursday evenings: 087 6463956

Yoga with Eileen Wednesday mornings

Letterkenny Women's Group Counselling Service

Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Tel: Breid 074 91 24985

Citizen Information Office Mondays 10am - 1pm

Anti Natal & Breast Feeding Classes Tel:

Aileen 074 97 31694

Also: 1 day refresher First Aid Course, 1 day

refresher Paediatric First Aid Course, 8 week

Beginners Spanish, Basic & Intermediate Computers

Business Administration, Food Safety Course Level2

Killybegs Parish Clean Up continues

Wednesday 27th May from Henry Kee's, Conlin Rd, Lisnaclaya, Croaghlin. Meet at Seafoods 7pm. Gloves, bags, pickers etc supplied. All help would be appreciated.

Guided Nature Walk: Seaweed Foraging, Sat 6th June at 1pm. Meet at Algaran, Cashlings, followed by cookery demonstration and tasting in the Áislann. Free return bus. Guide: Rosaria Piseri, Algaran.