St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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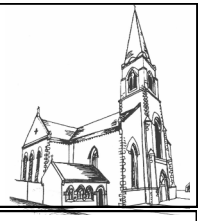

The Season of Lent 2017

- The Season of Lent begins this week on **Ash Wednesday**. Masses at **10am & 7pm**, with distribution of ashes after the Gospel. Ashes will be left in the Church on Ash Wednesday in front of the altar. Feel free to call in and bless yourself with these ashes as you begin Lent.
- During Lent there will be Mass at **8.30am on Tuesday** mornings.
- Stations of the Cross on **Thursdays at 7.00pm**
- **Trócaire Boxes** are now available. Trócaire believes in fairness, and the dignity and potential of every person. We work to empower people so that theycan determine a better future for themselves. Working through local partner organisations, we fight the root causes of poverty. Our work transforms lives and it is only possible because of your support.
- **Walk With Me:** A Lenten Journey of Prayer €2. Place donation in either of the money boxes inporch

Franciscan Brothers Appeal

Brother Brian Johnson will make an Appeal on behalf of the Franciscan Brothers at all Masses this week-end. The Franciscan Brothers were founded in Ireland in the early 1800s. They were founded to work with the rural poor of Ireland. They now have missions in Kenya and Uganda. Included in their work in East Africa are education, sustainable agriculture and rural development, food security and famine relief. Please support their work as best you can.

Board of Management Meeting

Niall Mór N.S. Monday, 27th February 8pm.

March Sunday Rota

READERS
Vigil 7pm: Schools
09.00am: Maeve Murray
11.00am: Patricia Murrin

COLLECTORS
Vigil 7pm: Donal O'Donnell, Fred Smith, Ann Marie Leslie
09.00am: Georgie Murray, Mary Harkin
11.00am: Kathleen McBrearty, Pat McGinty

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Vigil 7pm: Patricia O'Boyle, Mary Murrin (J), Elis McMorrow
09.00am: Christine Smith, Linda Gallagher
11.00am: Caroline O'Gorman, Kathleen Gillespie, Mary Gallagher.

First Friday Calls

this Thursday and Friday 2nd & 3rd March

First Communion Parents Group meets Monday 6th March 7.30pm in Parish Office.

Collection for Church Flowers

The Offertory Collection on Ash Wednesday is for Church flowers during Easter Season, Sundays and on special occasions.

2017 Pioneer Lenten 'No Thanks' Campaign A person makes a private pledge to abstain from alcohol during Lent and says a special prayer. Cards in porch.

Killybegs St. Patrick's Day Parade Friday 17th March at 3pm

Cash Prize for the best float on the day. We are calling on all business & clubs to take part in our parade to make it bigger than ever. For info tel: Barry 087 6997856 / Ann 086 0522834

Killybegs History and Heritage

Planning permission has been granted by Donegal Co. Council for the third time in the last 5 years for an industrial and commercial development adjacent to St. Catherine's Well. This will be appealed to An Bord Pleanála for the third time to protect the sanctity and the source of the water going into the well. For info tel: Patricia 0873119020

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the Cancer Quiz. €1200 raised for Cancer Bus.

Jim Browne's Testimony

How Medjugorge helped him in his battle with alcoholism: Bruckless Church Thurs 9th Kilclooney Church, Fri 10th March 7.30pm.

Anam Cara monthly Parent Evening on Thur 9th March 7.30-9pm, Mt Errigal Hotel.

I.C.A. meeting in Niall Mór Centre on Wednesday 1st March at 7.30pm.

The Bayview Hotel and Leisure Centre

Offer for Lent: €40 for 40 days Leisure Centre Membership. Available on 1st March only. Call 074 9732567 for more info.

- ***Sunday 26th February 2017: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle A***
- ***Weekday Readings: Eighth Week of Ordinary Time / after Ash Wednesday***

Saturday	**25th February:**	**07.00pm** - Anne Maloney (1st Anniversary) Kitty & Jim McBrearty (Anniversaries) John & Helen McBrearty (Anniversaries) Joe Kennedy (Anniversary)
Sunday	**26th February:**	**09.00am -** Peter Breslin (Anniversary) **11.00am** - Micheal Quinn (Anniversary)
Monday	**27th February:**	**10.00am -** Auxiliary Members of Legion of Mary
Ash Wednesday	**1st March:**	**10.00am -** Leila & Tom O'Kelly (Anniversaries) **07.00pm -** Con McGuinness (Anniversary)
Thursday	**2nd March:**	**10.00am -** Special Intention **07.00pm -** *Stations of the Cross*
Friday	**3rd March:**	**10.00am -** Special Intention **07.00pm** - Mary Byrne R.I.P.
Saturday	**4th March:**	**07.00pm** - Maureen McCauley (3rd Anniversary) Paddy & Kathleen Thornton (Anniversaries) Peter & Nancy Hodgman (Anniversaries)
Sunday	**5th March:**	**09.00am -** Eileen, Neil & Liam Hegarty & Thomas Sheridan (Anniversaries) **11.00am** - Special Intention

Adoration: Sunday 6pm - Monday Midnight **Confessions:** Saturday 6.30pm.
Rosary/Divine Mercy: Tuesday 6.30pm, in the Adoration Room.

The future enters into us, in order to transform itself in us, long before it happens. Rilke

***Rota for Daily Readers** now available on table in middle aisle.*

Pieta House Fundraiser for new facility in Letterkenny. Saturday 4th March, 3pm, Darney Park, Bruckless. Football Fun Day for Mental Health Awareness.

Outreach Officer in Foresters Hall Thurs 2nd March 11am - 1pm. Tel: 074 9161979

Easter Revision Day in Leaving Cert English (higher) at St. John Bosco's Centre, Donegal Town. Thursday 20th April 12pm - 4pm. Cost €50. E: thewritestuff@eircom.net for further details.

Niall Mór Centre 074 97 41863

southwestdonegalcdp1@gmail.com & Facebook
Left for Love: Kids Arts & Crafts Wed 1st March 4-5pm and 5-6pm. Tel Beibhinn on 086 4089481.
Tai Chi: Fri 28th Apr 11am - 12:30pm, 8 weeks. €30
Letterkenny Women's Centre offer a counselling service For info tel: Brid 074 9124985.
Personal Youth Development Programme (PYDP) for 16-25 yr olds to help grow their employability options through a suite of training programmes. For more info Michelle 074 9129630/085 2519287 or email michelle.wylam@donegalyouthservice.ie
Journey to Freedom: A Life Changing Christian Weekend Programme with Una Clarke 4th & 5th March 10am - 5pm. €60. Tel: Una 086 0815608 or email: unaclarke1@gmail.com.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

26th February - Mary Cunningham
5th March - Kathleen Gillespie

Sunday Collections	€ 1,840.00
Emigrants	€ 350.00
Cemetery	€ 100.00
Restoration Fund	
Envelopes 18th & 19th February	€ 2,275.00
Total Restoration Fund:	**€2,764,250.43**

Free Training in Job Seeking Preparation

Niall Mór Centre, Wednesday 29th March for 3 weeks 10.30am - 1.30pm daily. Tel Lareina or Eleanor at the Job Club office 07198 58959 for more details.

Gamblers Anonymous & Gam-Anon

All-Ireland Convention. "Experience Strength & Hope" at The Villa Rose Hotel, Ballybofey on 3rd - 5th March For info: 087 2431911 / www.gamblersanonymous.ie

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Adult Art Classes Tuesdays 7- 9pm
Circuit Classes Mon, Wed, Fri 10.30am
Tues & Thurs 6.30pm
Yoga Tuesdays 10am & 7pm
Baby Massage Wed 1st March, 5 weeks
Car Boot Sale Sunday 19th March