

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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‘God the Father’

God is love and anyone who lives in love lives in God and God lives in them

Our sincere thanks to Ann Kinsella for unveiling the three-panel stained glass window from the Harry Clarke Studios on Friday night. We are grateful to Sean Doherty of Doherty Joinery, Killybegs, for framing & installing the window, with the assistance of Michael Gallagher, and to Eugene Collins, Downings Antiques, for all his assistance. Sincere thanks to all who helped. Total cost for the Harry Clarke window and the other two windows (Jesus in the Temple: to be placed in Adoration Room at a later date) is in the region of €12,000. All donations gladly received and gratefully acknowledged.

An Advent Thought

*A blind person asked St Anthony,
‘Can there be anything worse than losing
your eye sight?’
He replied, ‘Yes, losing your vision!’*

Christmas First Friday Calls

this Thursday 1st December (early afternoon)
and Friday 2nd December
with Holy Communion and Anointing.

First Communion Parents Group

tomorrow Monday 7.30pm in Parish Office.
Next Celebration Sunday 11th Dec. 11am.

Christmas Shop Now Open!!

Christmas gifts now available.
Call to Parish Office & have a look..

Society of St Vincent de Paul Christmas collection will be taken up **after** all Masses this weekend. Thanks to all who contributed so generously over the past year.

Community Care Care of the Aged Christmas Party on Sunday 4th December in Tara Hotel at 12.30pm.
Tel: Celia 085 2806365/Ann Marie 9731459 or leave your name in Post Office.

Bus to Night Vigil in Knock

on Wednesday 7th December.
For info tel: McBrearty's 074 9731056

Last Man Standing

There were **271** entries for this Football Competition in aid of the Restoration Fund. After ‘Week’ 1, there are **140** entries remaining, posted on the noticeboard, Parish Office window and our website (click on *Newsletters*). Thanks to everyone who supported this fund-raising effort. ‘Week’ 2 games this week-end.

Thank you Brendan O’Keeney wishes to thank most sincerely all who sent Mass/Novena/Get-well cards, all who phoned, called to the house and visited in hospital during his recent illness. Special thanks to Fr Colm and all the priests who prayed for him. Mass has been offered for you.

- **Sunday 27th November 2016: First Sunday in Advent** (Cycle A)
- **Weekday Readings: First Week in Advent**

Saturday	26th November:	07.00pm - John O'Donnell (3rd Anniversary) Con McBrearty (Anniversary) Catherine McGuinness & Frank Cunningham (Anniv) Jim & Madge Murrin (Anniversaries)
Sunday	27th November:	09.00am - Peter & Agnes McCallig (Anniversaries) 11.00am - Alfie Walsh (12th Anniversary)
Monday	28th November:	10.00am - Sean McGreevy R.I.P.
Tuesday	29th November:	10.00am - Special Intention
Thursday	1st December:	10.00am - Maeve Mc Nulty (Anniversary)
Friday	2nd December:	10.00am - Fr Seamus Gallagher (1st Anniversary) 07.00pm - Philip & Barry Gallagher (Anniversaries)
Saturday	3rd December:	07.00pm - Teresa Carroll, John McGuire & deceased McGuire family (Anniversaries) Margaret Gallagher (Anniversary)
Sunday	4th December:	09.00am - Rosemary Rafferty nee Gillespie & Raymond Rafferty (Anniversaries) 11.00am - Anna Marie Murphy (Anniversary)

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

Pray for those who died recently: Mary Molloy (formerly Mary Boyle, Ballyara) who died in Brooklyn on Friday. Pray for: Molly Love, Paul Boyle, Frankie McBrearty, Michael Flannery, Dingle, Phil Canon. *Suaimeas Síoraí.*

GAA Bingo Jackpot is currently at €5,950 on 45 numbers. Bingo is on every Monday night at 9pm in the Foresters Hall.

North West Simon Community Sincere thanks to volunteers and all who donated to their Annual Church Gate Collection. Total of €541.78 goes directly to homelessness projects throughout Donegal

Niall Mór ChildCare Centre: Open Day for ECCE Pre-School for January-April 2017 on Friday 9th December from 1 - 2pm. Contact 9748000.

Anam Cara, next monthly Parent Evening on Thursday 8th December 7:30pm to 9pm, Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny.

The 44th Annual Eucharistic All-Night Vigil at Knock on Wed 7th Dec, 10pm. For more info: (094) 93 88100 / info@knock-shrine.ie

Niall Mór Centre 074 97 41863
southwestdonegalcdpl@gmail.com & Facebook
Meditation: Saturday 3rd Dec from 10am - 11am. Call Cat O'Donnell 086 7978500 for details.
Disney Day: Sun 4th Dec 4pm -6pm. €5 per child.
Christmas Shoebox Appeal: Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Shoebox Appeal this year. 156 boxes were collected at the centre this year.
Killybegs Walk and Talk Group: Thursdays 10am.
Citizens Advice/ Info: Mondays 10am-12:30 pm.
Scrabble Morning: Monday 10.30am-12:00, €2pp.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

27th November - Caroline O’Gorman
4th December - Patricia O’Boyle

Sunday Collection	€ 1,365.00
Restoration Fund:	
Envelopes 19th & 20th November	€ 1,700.00
Donations	€ 320.00
Donation to Stained Glass Windows	€ 500.00
Total Restoration Fund:	€2,625,137.78

Thanks for your continued generosity.

The Bayview Leisure Centre Christmas Membership special offer begins 1st December with 25% off 6 & 12 month memberships, the offer continues each day until Christmas Eve.

Áislann Chill Chartha Classes 0749738376
Comhrá le cupán Tae Wednesdays 11am
Christmas Fair & Indoor Boot Sale. Sunday 4th December. 12 – 3pm. Tel: 074 97 38376
Santa's Grotto & Bouncy Castles Saturday 10th December 1–4pm. €5. Tel: 074 9738376
Tech Christmas Disco Thurs 22nd Dec 9–11pm.

Margaret Cunningham, Kille, wishes to thank everyone who supported her Coffee Morning on Hospice Day. Total raised €350.

*Advent is a winter training camp
for those who desire peace.*

December Sunday Rota

READERS

Vigil 7pm: Paula O’Callaghan

09.00am: John Leslie

11.00am: Anne Haughey

COLLECTORS

Vigil 7pm: Donal O’Donnell, Fred Smith,
Ann Marie Leslie

09.00am: Rose McBrearty, Seamus Gillespie

11.00am: Rosemary Kelly, Pat McGinty

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Vigil 7pm: Anthony McBrearty, Patricia O’Boyle,
Mary Murrin (J)

09.00am: Linda Gallagher, Anne Rodgers

11.00am: Caroline O’Gorman, Kathleen Gillespie,
Mary Gallagher

Killybegs Community Council

Killybegs Christmas Lights Switch On

Sunday 4th December 6pm. Santa will arrive in town in style this year! Complimentary mulled wine & mince pies while meeting Santa and his elves in the Bay View Hotel afterwards.

Christmas Gift & Craft Fair in Bay View Ballroom 4 -8pm, tel: Marion 0876188502.

See: *Killybegs Craft & Gift Fair* FB page

Town Centre Park: Can we ask that parking in the Main Street and the Diamond be kept for customers trading in town during the day

LAST: On Saturday 10th December at 1pm there will be a plaque erected by the Lost At Sea Tragedies group in the Community Playground. Tea & sandwiches afterwards in Tara Hotel. Everyone welcome.

Tidy Towns competition results: Killybegs points increased by a massive 13 points again this year. Thanks is due to everyone who helped to make this possible.