

## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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**Masses and Services:** Live streaming [www.mcn.live](http://www.mcn.live) (*link on website*)



### Scaffolding by Seamus Heaney

*Masons, when they start upon a building,  
are careful to test out the scaffolding;*

*Make sure that planks won't slip at busy points,  
secure all ladders, tighten bolted joints.*

*And yet all this comes down when the job's done,  
showing off walls of sure and solid stone.*

*So if, my dear, there sometimes seem to be  
old bridges breaking between you and me,*

*Never fear. We may let the scaffolds fall,  
confident that we have built our wall.*



**Parish Choir Practice Monday 7.15pm**

### Entrance Hymn: Here I Am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

*Chorus Here I am Lord, is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go Lord, if you lead me  
I will hold your people in my heart*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my peoples' pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my words to them,  
Whom shall I send? (Chorus)

### Celebration of First Holy Communion

*Saturday 11th May 11am*

with refreshments afterwards in Foresters Hall.  
There are 35 children preparing  
to celebrate this sacrament.  
Each family will be designated  
one full seat for the celebration.  
We look forward to a joyful  
family celebration.



### Liturgy of the Word for Children

The next two sessions are as follows:

- this Sunday 28th April 11am
- Sunday 26th May 11am

Anyone interested in helping out, please contact Ann in the Parish Office.



New additions to the Adoration Room:  
On the left, St. Brigid, died 524.  
On the right, Mary and Child, which was in a  
lighted boxed panel in the Church for years.

### Final Hymn: Give Me Joy

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
Give me joy in my heart, I pray.  
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
Keep me praising till the break of day.

*Chorus: Sing hosanna, Sing hosanna,  
Sing hosanna, to the King of Kings.  
Sing hosanna, Sing hosanna,  
Sing hosanna, to the King*

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving  
Give me love in my heart, I pray.  
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving  
Keep me serving till the break of day. (Chorus)

♦ **Sunday 28th April 2024:** *Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B*

♦ **Weekday Readings:** *Fifth Week of Easter*

**Masses will be relayed on the webcam:** [go to killybegsparish.com](http://go.to/killybegsparish.com) for a link to Online Services

<b>Friday</b>	<b>26th April:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Special Intentions
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>27th April:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Neil & Aggie Quinn (Anniversaries) David (6th) & Jackie (7th) Meehan (Anniversaries) Oliver Cunningham (13th Anniversary)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>28th April:</b>	<b>09.00am</b> - Special Intentions <b>11.00am</b> - Jim Walsh (10th Anniversary)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>29th April:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Vincent Cunningham (7th Anniversary)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>30th April:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Karen Cahill (4th), Bernie Cahill (25th) & Theresa Travers (Anniversaries)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>2nd May:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Special Intentions
<b>Friday</b>	<b>3rd May:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - John Keeney (7th Anniversary) & deceased Keeney family
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4th May:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Connie Gallagher (Anniversary) Tony Brennan (1st Anniversary)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>5th May:</b>	<b>09.00am</b> - Tony O'Callaghan (6th Anniversary) <b>11.00am</b> - Teresa McClafferty (7th Anniversary)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: *Monday 11am to 7pm.*

**Pray for:** **Des Coleman**, Castlereagh, Roscommon, whose funeral took place on Monday (brother in law of Mary Teresa Doogan); **Anthony McGinley**, Five Points, whose funeral took place last Saturday.

**Pray for:** Pat McBrearty. *Suaímhneas Sióraí.*

**Graveyard Seats** Seven seats have been placed in the graveyard at various points so that you can rest awhile while visiting the graves of your loved ones or tending to the graves. We are grateful to the Killybegs Women's Group and to all who donated to this worthwhile project. A new footpath has also been added and a few other projects are in hand.

**Marys Meals** If you have any old notes or coins that you wish to donate to Marys Meals they can be dropped off at the Traders Car Park on Saturday 4th May, 9.30am-1pm. Otherwise collection can be arranged. Tel: Eilis Conneely on 087 7060457.

**Sunday Social** in Dunkineely Community Centre Sunday 28th April 8-10 pm. €10.

### Day retreat at Ards Friary

for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers  
Saturday 18th May 10.30am - 4pm includes some input, silent time, social time and a full lunch.  
If interested please contact the Parish Office.

**Anam Cara Donegal**, Parent Evening on Thursday 9th May at 7:15pm in the Raddison Blu Hotel, Letterkenny. Tel: 01 4045378

### Lough Derg One Day Retreats in May

These guided days of prayer and reflection will take place on Sun 5th, Mon 6th, Sun 12th, Tue 14th, Sat 18th, Sat 25th and Mon 27th. Details [www.loughderg.ie](http://www.loughderg.ie). €45pp, booking essential.

**Sunday Collection** 21st April € 1,245.00  
**Maintenance Fund** 21st April € 1,215.00

*Thank you for your continued generosity.*

### A thought.

*The meaning of life is to find your gift.  
The purpose of life is to give it away.*

William Shakespeare

**South Donegal Vintage Club** are having a Vintage Working day in Rosstown on Sun 28<sup>th</sup> April 11am - 5pm in support of Donegal Hospice & Sligo Oncology. Vintage displays, Traditional Crafts & Skills, Demonstrations, Corbally Mobile Fun Farm, the Poteen Makers & more.. Adults €10.

**Relay For Life** Have you been impacted by a cancer diagnosis? Learn more about support offered at *Relay For Life Donegal – May 25th & 26th ATU*. Cancer survivors & carers are our beacons of hope and treated as our VIP guests over the weekend.

### Tír Boghaine, Community & Family Support Service Home Carers Support Group

If you are coping alone or isolated by your role as a family home carer, come to our support group. A talk from Debbie Gregg, Dementia Advisor for Carers for South Donegal on Mon 29th April 11am - 12:30pm in Niall Mór Centre. Info: 086 173 4497