

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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The Sacrament of Confirmation

Congratulation to the 43 young people who were confirmed last Sunday. It was a very special occasion and we are very grateful to all *the confirmed* for playing a full part in Sunday's celebration and in the preparation throughout the year. Our thanks to Bishop Boyce, Fr Denis Quinn, parents, sponsors, teachers and to all who supported them in this journey of faith. Thanks to all who helped with the celebration: Maeve Murray and the Senior Choir, Ann O'Donnell and the Junior Choir, the musicians Sara and Miriam, the singers Roisín, Kelly, Lauren, Orla & Dearbhla, Ministers of the Eucharist, Collectors, Altar Servers, Patricia our Sacristan, Richard & Alison of Killybegs Employment Project, the Altar Society and the photo/video experts. Everyone worked together to make it a memorable and joyful celebration of faith on a warm, bright and sunny Sunday.

Charity Concert Gratitude

Thursday evening's concert was a great success. The Franklin College Chamber Choir from Indianapolis along with St Catherine's V. S. Choir combined to provide a most enjoyable and uplifting evening's entertainment. Our sincere thanks to both choirs, to all who helped in any way, in the Church and in the Parish Office afterwards with the refreshments and all who attended. A total of €1,430 was raised for the Restoration Fund.

Lenten Service of Reconciliation

Monday 10th April at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to experience the mercy of God as Holy Week unfolds.

Sacrament of Baptism Congratulations

Welcome to the Catholic Christian Community to
*Laura Meehan
 Rhys Gary Rodgers
 Pearl Teresa McHugh
 Max Anthony McHugh
 Paddy Ryan Boyle
 Isabelle Margaret Greenwood
 Isabelle Meena Vohra
 Grace Bernadette Byrne
 Scarlett Catherine Wakeham*

Irish Wheelchair Association recruiting Personal Assistants for our Assisted Living Services and Older Person Services across the Donegal area. Email C.V. & cover letter to pa.recruitment@iwa.ie Tel: 074 91 77448.

Celebration of First Confession

tomorrow *Monday 3rd April 7pm.* Pray for the 38 children who are celebrating God's love in First Confession.

Church Opening & Closing Times:

Summertime opens at 8am and closes at 8pm (or after evening Mass).

First Friday Calls this week, Thurs & Fri, with Communion and Anointing. Anyone not on the list who would like a call let us know.

Meeting for Readers in the Chapel

this Wednesday 5th April at 7.30pm to make arrangements for Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday. It is important that those who are available would be present.

The Garment of Suffering Bring a piece of cloth six inches square and leave it in basket near the altar. The Garment of Suffering is an invitation to pray for hope, healing and peace during the Season of Lent and Easter.

I.C.A. meeting in Niall Mór Centre on Wednesday 5th April 7.30pm.

Church Gate Collection on 8th & 9th April for Galway Cancer Bus.

Voices from South-West Donegal

A collection of letters and memories will be launched in Inver Community Centre on Friday 7th April at 8pm by Helen Meehan (Donegal Historical Society).

Vocations Awareness Day Sat 22nd April in Ards Friary 10.30am - 5pm. Tel 087 9141606

GAA Minor Board Coffee Morning in Fintra on Sunday 2nd April 10.30am - 2pm. All proceeds going to the children for new bibs, balls etc.

Cancer Bus Sincere thanks to Michael Heraty for his very kind donation of €1770 raised by the 'Harbour Bar Cycle'

• **Sunday 2nd April 2017:**

• **Weekday Readings:**

Fifth Sunday of Lent Cycle A

Fifth Week of Lent

Saturday 1st April: 07.00pm - Delia Barry (1st Anniversary)
 Keith Gallagher (15th Anniversary)

Sunday 2nd April: 09.00am - Philomena McDevitt & Mary Teresa Friel (Anniversaries)
11.00am - Martin Barrett (2nd Anniversary)

Monday 3rd April: 10.00am - Deceased members of the McGing family
07.00pm - *Celebration of First Confession*

Tuesday 4th April: 08.30am - Special Intention

Wednesday 5th April: 07.00pm - Special Intentions

Thursday 6th April: 10.00am - Special Intention
07.00pm - *Stations of the Cross*

Friday 7th April: 10.00am - Special Intentions
07.00pm - Special Intentions

Saturday 8th April: 07.00pm - Special Intentions

Sunday 9th April: 09.00am - Anne Neill (11th Anniversary)
11.00am - Ann O'Donnell R.I.P. (Month's Mind Mass)

Adoration: Sunday 6pm - Monday Midnight

Confessions: Saturday 6.30pm. **Rosary/Divine Mercy:** Tuesday 7.30pm, in Adoration Room.

Pray for: Sammy Kelly, whose Funeral Mass is in St Michael's, Finaghy Rd, Belfast, Monday 10am (father of Betty Johnston, Five Points); **Kitty Hogan**, Cashel, Co Tipperary (mother of Alicia Curran).

Pray for: Catherine McHugh, Mary Kate & Mick Maguire, James Byrne. Suaimhneas Sioraí

GROW: Information Evening, Niall Mór Centre, Monday 3rd April, 8.30pm. Everyone welcome.

The Bluestack Special Needs Foundation

Family fashion Show in Mill Park Hotel, Donegal Town on Sunday 2nd April, 3pm presenting our own beautiful models. All are welcome.

Donegal Community Gardens is reviving a traditional art of coping potatoes on Sat 8th April, 11am, Bluestack Foundation Garden, The Glebe, Donegal Town. All are welcome.

Learner Accommodation for School of Tourism, Killybegs 2017/2018

Persons with accommodation to let in the Killybegs area are invited to be listed in the Information sent to all Learners commencing September 2017. Write or phone for an 'Accommodation Details Form'. This form should be completed and returned to the School of Tourism by: Friday 5th May. Tel: 074-9186613; Email: donna.mulligan@lyit.ie

Niall Mór Centre 074 97 41863

southwestdonegalcdpl@gmail.com & Facebook
Easter Activity Camp A 4 day activity camp on Tues 18th April to Fri 21st April, 10am - 2pm. €45.
Tai Chi: Fri 28th Apr 11am - 12:30pm, 8 weeks. €30
Japanese Paper Craft: Workshop on Sat 6th May 10am - 1pm. €20.

Niall Mor Childcare Centre now enrolling for ECCE Scheme for April 2017 & Sept 2017, if your child was born by August 2014 they may be entitled to a free childcare place. Tel: 0749748000.

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Blessed Sacrament Adoration

2nd April - Mary Murrin (J)
 9th April - Anne Rodgers

Sunday Collection	€ 1,470.00
Education of Students	€ 17.00
Restoration Fund	
Envelopes 25th & 26th March	€1,610.00
Franklin College Choir Concert	€ 1,430.00
Total Restoration Fund:	€2,774,440.43

Thanks for your continued generosity.

Blood Donation Clinic

in Tara Hotel on Thursday 6th April
 2.30pm - 5pm & 7pm - 9.30pm.

Killybegs Tidy Towns Litter Clean Up Week 3rd - 7th April. Meeting at Traders Car Park, Shore Road, 6pm. Asking all Groups & Individuals to get involved. Bags/Pickers etc supplied. Facebook: killybegstidytowns

Gardening with Roses A talk by Nora Singh on Mon 3rd April, 7.45pm in The Garden Room Salthill House, Mountcharles. Tel 074 97 22254

Anam Cara, supporting bereaved parents, next Parent Evening on Thursday 13th April from 7.30pm - 9pm in Mount Errigal Hotel. This event is open to all bereaved parents.

Outreach Officer in Foresters Hall
 Fri 7th April 10am - 12pm. Tel: 074 9161979

Thank You Annie Byrne, Conlin Rd, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, is grateful to her good friends and neighbours for their good wishes and gifts from far and near. A Mass has been offered for you.