St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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Masses and Services: Live streaming on www.mcnmedia.tv



The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

Friday 8th December.

Masses at 7pm (Vigil) and 9am & 11am.

"Any number of times Mary had to utter a heartfelt YES at moments of both joy and sorrow, culminating in the YES she spoke at the foot of the Cross". Pope Francis

Last Man Standing: 259 Entries

179 still standing after 'Week' 1 and after 'Week' 2, there are 157 remaining, posted on the noticeboard, Parish Office window and our website (click on *Newsletters*), also with remaining selections. 'Week' 3 continues this week-end. In aid of the Restoration Fund.

Society of St Vincent De Paul

Our Special Christmas Collection will be taken up <u>after</u> Masses on Saturday & Sunday 9th & 10th December. Sincere thanks to all who give so generously.

Christmas First Friday Calls

this Thursday & Friday 7th & 8th December.

St John's Parish Church Carol Service on Monday 11th December at 8pm. All welcome.

St Catherine's FC Annual Bazaar will be held in the Tara Hotel on Sunday 10th December at 5pm. Please come along and support your local club whilst availing of the fantastic prizes on offer.

Thank you Matt & Mary Kelly wish to thank everyone who sent Mass & Sympathy cards and called to the house on the recent death of Matt's brother Thomas. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Job Notice The HSE seeks to recruit Temporary Home Help Workers in Donegal Town, Mountcharles, Dunkineely & Killybegs areas. Informal enquiries to Ms Dympna Boner 074 9722715.

Killybegs Community Hospital Christmas Shop

Open Monday 4th to Friday 8th Dec 11am - 12 noon. Craft, homemade bakes and raffles daily. Please come along and support your local Community Hospital.

North West Simon Community Collection

Thanks to the collectors and all who contributed so generously. €640.28 was raised.

Christmas Shop Now Open!! Christmas gifts now available. Call to Parish Office & have a look..

A Thought for Advent...

Do all you can with the means at your disposal and calmly leave the rest to God.

Important Christmas Celebrations

Christmas Carol Service:

Wednesday 13th December 7.00pm *Service of Reconciliation*:

Monday 18th December 7.00pm Christmas Children's Mass:

Sunday 24th December 7.00pm *Christmas 'Midnight' Mass:*

Sunday 24th December 11.00pm Christmas Day Masses:

Monday 25th December 9am & 11am Practices for Children's Mass:

Monday and Tues18th & 19th Dec. 5pm

Parish Christmas Deliveries

- The Parish Christmas Newsletter and the complimentary Parish Calendar 2018 are being delivered to each household in the parish this week beginning 4th December
- At the same time the Church Envelopes and the Restoration Envelopes will be delivered. Anyone not on the list who would like a set of envelopes, please let Ann know in the Parish Office.
- We need help with deliveries. Anyone who can help please come to the Parish Office tomorrow Monday 4th Dec. 7pm-7.30pm

Christmas Lights Switch On

Sunday 3rd December at 6pm. Come along and join in the fun with Santa and his helpers as we kick off Christmas in Killybegs.

Bus to Knock for Night Vigil 7th December. To book your seat tel: McBreartys 074 9731056.

December All-Night Vigil, Knock Shrine

The 45th Eucharistic All-Night Vigil at Knock Shrine on Thursday 7th - Friday 8th December. For more info tel: Knock Shrine 094 93 88100.

The next Alzheimer's Café Letterkenny

our Christmas get-together on Thursday 7th December 11am-1pm in the Silver Tassie Hotel, For more info tel Mary 087 9449903. • Sunday 3rd December 2017: First Sunday of Advent Cycle B

Weekday Readings: First Week of Advent

Saturday 2nd December: 07.00pm - Barry & Philip Gallagher (Anniversaries)

John McGuire, Teresa Carroll & deceased McGuire family

Anna Marie Murphy (Anniversary) Margaret Gallagher (Anniversary) Jim & Madge Murrin (Anniversaries)

Sunday 3rd December: 09.00am - Sarah & James O'Donnell (Anniversaries)

11.00am - Alice & Pat Conneely (Anniversary)

Monday 4th December: 10.00am - Maeve McNulty (Anniversary)
Tuesday 5th December: 10.00am - Special Intention (Thanksgiving)

Wednesday 6th December: 07.00pm - Special Intention

Thursday 7th December: 07.00pm - Special Intention (Thanksgiving)

Friday The Immaculate Conception

8th December: 09.00am - Paddy & Sheila McGee & Mary McGee (Anniversaries)

11.00am - Maude Gallagher (10th Anniversary)

Saturday 9th December: 07.00pm - Peter Gerald Breslin (Anniversary)

Frank & Anna McCallig (Anniversaries)

Sunday 10th December: 09.00am - Special Intention

11.00am - Alice Keeney (Anniversary)

Adoration: Sunday 6pm to Monday Midnight Confessions: Saturday 6.30pm.

Rosary/Divine Mercy: Tuesday 6.30pm in Adoration Room.

Pray for: Jacqueline Bonner, Molly Love, Willie Murray, Mary Ann O'Boyle. Suaimhneas Síoraí.

Killybegs History & Heritage Committee are holding an Arts and Craft Fayre in conjunction with the Christmas Lights Switch On in The Bay View Hotel on Sunday 3rd December from 3pm - 7pm.

Community Care Care of the Aged Christmas Party on Sunday 3rd December in Tara Hotel at 12.30pm. Mr & Mrs Claus will be there.

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Killybegs History & Heritage Committee are currently collecting expressions of support for Draft Local Area Plan regarding the area around St Catherine's Well and Church which hopefully will be zoned Amenity and Open Space.

Submissions can be made by post or online to sevenstrategictownslap@donegalcoco.ie no later than 4.30pm on 17th Jan. Comment sheet available in Church Porch this weekend or: Patricia 087 3119020.

Niall Mór Centre 97 41863 Ring to book a place.. Shoebox Appeal: Sincere thanks to everyone who took part. 185 shoeboxes left here for distribution and will help make someone's Christmas a little better.

Coffee Morning in support of S.V.D.P. in AIB, Killybegs, on 8th December.

Outreach Officer in Forester's Hall on Mon 4th Dec 10am - 12pm. Tel: 074 9161979.

Killybegs Carpet Factory Christmas Fair continues Monday to Friday 8th December.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

3rd December - James Gavigan 10th December - Margaret Breslin

Sunday Collection € 1,135.00 Upkeep of Cemetery € 12.00

Restoration Fund

Envelopes 25th & 26th November € 1,590.00
Donation € 700.00 **Total Restoration Fund:** €2,863,315.43

Seolfaidh Joe McHugh, Aire Stáit na

Gaeltachta, cnuasach a 5 de 'Scéalta as Tír Chonaill' agus seolfaidh an tOllamh Lilis Ó Laoire 'Condaí Phrionnseais Mac Cuinneagáin agus Ceolta Theilinn' Óstan Blue Haven ag 3.00 i.n. Dé Satharn 9 Nollaig. Sólaistí ar fáil.

I.C.A. meeting on Wednesday 6th December at 7.30pm in Niall Mór Centre.

Vintage Christmas Tea Day in Cope House Tues 12th Dec 10am-7pm in aid of Killybegs Christmas Lights. Marie Muirhead 087 6188289 & Yvonne Smyth 087 7805313.

Na Cealla Beaga GAA club are hosting a night on the Red Carpet, on New Year's Eve in the Bay View Hotel. Tickets €35.

Christmas Social Dance, Inver Community Centre on Thurs 7th Dec, 9pm-11pm. Adm €7, light refreshments. Music by Shane Shovlin.