

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

Thursday 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

Parish Christmas Deliveries

- The Parish Christmas Newsletter and the complimentary Parish Calendar 2017 are being delivered this week to each household in the parish. Further complimentary calendars are available from the Parish Office
- 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 are appealing for help with the deliveries. They will be ready for collection tomorrow Monday 5th December from 7.30 - 8.30pm in the Parish Office for all who can help. Do call in!

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.

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.

The Carpet Factory thanks to all who sponsored the spot prizes and for donations received at the open day and the Quiz Night. Thank also to the Tara Hotel and Conor the quiz master, much appreciated!!

Planning permission is being sought for the third time for an industrial development adjacent to St. Catherine's well. Twice previously an Bord Pleanála has refused planning on this site because of its impact on the Holy Well and its water source, as well as its close proximity to the overall Archaeological Complex which is a National Monument. For more information please contact Killybegs History and Heritage Committee - Patricia 087 3119020

An Advent Thought...

What can you do to promote world peace?

Go home and love your family.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Important Christmas Celebrations

Christmas Carol Service:

Wednesday 14th December 7.00pm

Service of Reconciliation:

Monday 19th December 7.00pm

Christmas Children's Mass:

Saturday 24th December 7.00pm

Christmas 'Midnight' Mass:

Saturday 24th December 11.00pm

Christmas Day Masses:

Sunday 25th December 9am & 11am

Practices for Children's Mass:

Monday 19th December 5pm and

Tuesday 20th December 5pm.

Christmas Shop Now Open!!

Christmas gifts now available.

Call to Parish Office & have a look..



Community Care of the Aged

Christmas Party on Sunday 4th December

in Tara Hotel at 12.30pm.

Tel: Celia 085 2806365/Ann Marie 9731459

Killybegs Community Hospital

thanks all who those helped with and supported their recent Christmas Craft Fair.

Bus to Night Vigil in Knock

on Wednesday 7th December.

For info tel: McBreaty's 074 9731056

CLG Na Cealla Beaga Senior Board AGM

in Tara Hotel, 5pm, Sunday 18th December.

Last Man Standing: 271 Entries

140 still standing after Week 1 and after 'Week' 2, there are 120 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 Restoration Fund.

Christmas Choral Concert The Ulster University Choir in to St. Patrick's Church, Ballyshannon on Tuesday 6th Dec at 7.30pm. Choral Conductor - Sean Ryan.

• **Sunday 4th December 2016: Second Sunday in Advent (Cycle A)**

• **Weekday Readings: Second Week in Advent**

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)

Monday 5th December: 10.00am - Sean McGreevy R.I.P.

Tuesday 6th December: 10.00am - Special Intention

Wednesday 7th December: 07.00pm - Peter Gerald Breslin (Anniversary)

Thursday 8th December: 09.00am - Val Smyth (Anniversary)

Friday 9th December: 11.00am - Maude Gallagher (Anniversary)

Saturday 10th December: 10.00am - Ann McClean (Anniversary)

07.00pm - Frank & Anna McCallig (Anniversaries) James & Sarah O'Donnell (Anniversaries)

Special Intention

Sunday 11th December: 09.00am - Alice Keeney (Anniversary)

11.00am - Alice Conneely (1st Anniv) & Pat (11th Anniversary)

Adoration: Sunday 6pm - Monday Midnight. **Confessions:** Saturday 6.30pm.

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

Pray for those who died recently: Jackie Bonner, Derryhenny, Doohchary (formerly Jackie Meehan, Harbour View Drive), whose funeral took place yesterday (Saturday) in Leitir;

Liam McHugh, Mountcharles: Funeral Mass today, Sunday, at 1pm in Drimarone.

Pray for: Packie Melly, Willie Murray, Angela Cunningham, Carrick.

Suaimeas Storaí.

Christmas Gift and Craft Fair in aid of funds for St Catherine's 15th century Church is being held by History and Heritage Committee in Bayview Hotel this Sun 4th Dec 4-8pm. Adm free. Complimentary mince pies and mulled wind supplied by Bayview with Santa and elves.

St Catherine's F.C. Annual Bazaar

in Tara Hotel on Sunday 11th December at 6.30pm. Come along and support your local club and avail of the fantastic prizes on offer.

I.C.A. Meeting on Wednesday 7th December in the Niall Mór Centre at 7.30pm.

Killybegs Cubs and Beavers Under 12 Christmas Jumper Disco in Bay View Hotel on 11th December from 3-5pm. Adm €5. Santa calling to say hello!

A Christmas Luncheon in Bay View Hotel on Monday 12th December at 1.30pm for 4 course meal, music & dancing until 5pm. €17.50. Tel 9731950.

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

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

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

4th December - Patricia O'Boyle

11th December - Brid O'Callaghan

Sunday Collection € 1,410.00

Restoration Fund:

Envelopes 26th & 27th November € 1,675.00

Donation € 1,000.00

Stained Glass Window Donations € 100.00

Stained Glass Window Collection € 515.00

Total Restoration Fund: €2,628,427.78

Shaun Curran will do a 30k sponsored walk on Sunday 11th December in aid of LAST (Lost At Sea Tragedies) from Donegal Town - Killybegs. Sponsorship cards available throughout local businesses, your support would be greatly appreciated.

Sean Keane Concert "Christmas by the Hearth and New Day Dawning Tour" with Children from Scoil Chartha Naofa, Kilcar, Blue Haven on Wed 7th Dec, 7.30pm. €20.

The launch of our counselling service for children and young people from age five years upwards is now available at the Pastoral Centre, Letterkenny from 29th November 2016. Please contact the Pastoral Centre on 074 91 21853 for further information / bookings.