

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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



Hold up the world

*What if we thought about prayer
as a building block,
as a foundation
which holds up the world?*

*What if the only reason
the world still exists is
because there are those who pray
and hold up the world with
their faith,
their belief,
and their prayers.*



*May we hold up the world
each day
by offering up our prayers
for ourselves,
for others,
for our communities,
for our countries
and for the world.*

Follow me

We follow Jesus, like the Twelve,
because we are drawn by him;
drawn and attracted by the way
this man Jesus
lives, speaks, suffers, dies and rises.

Something in him appeals;
maybe it's the wish to heal,
or his love for the poor,
or his forgiveness, so total,
or his desire to change the world,
or because he stands for what is good:
for justice, peace, equality.

Or just because he is a friend,
and because he is
the face of God, the word of God, the son of God.

Like us, in all but our sin,
one of us, son of God, and son of Mary too.

People left a lot to follow him,
they left their dreams and their burdens,
their families, and their businesses,
and gave up their lives,

Drawn, attracted, challenged
as we are now, by his words:

Come, follow me.

Donal Neary

Celebration of First Holy Communion

Saturday 11th May 11am

with refreshments afterwards in Foresters Hall for everyone. 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.



 **Parish Choir Practice** Thursday 7.15pm

Liturgy of the Word for Children

The next session is on **Sunday 26th May 11am**
*Anyone interested in helping out,
please contact Ann in the Parish Office.*

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? (C)

Final Hymn: Queen of the May

Bring flowers of the rarest,
Bring blossoms the fairest,
From garden and woodland and hillside and dale;
Our full hearts are swelling,
Our glad voices telling
The praise of the loveliest flower of the vale.

*Chorus: O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the angels and Queen of the May. (x2)*

Their Lady they name thee,
Their mistress proclaim thee,
Oh grant that thy children on earth be as true.
As long as the bowers
Are radiant with flowers
As long as the azure shall keep its bright hue. (*Chorus*)

◆ **Sunday 5th May 2024:** *Sixth Sunday of Easter* *Year B*
 ◆ **Weekday Readings:** *Sixth Week of Easter*

Masses will be relayed on the webcam: go to killybegsparish.com for a link to Online Services

Friday	3rd May:	10.00am - John Keeney (7th Anniversary) & deceased Keeney family
Saturday	4th May:	07.00pm - Connie Gallagher (Anniversary) Tony Brennan (1st Anniversary)
Sunday	5th May:	09.00am - Tony O'Callaghan (6th Anniversary) 11.00am - Teresa McClafferty (7th Anniversary)
Monday	6th May:	10.00am - Special Intentions
Tuesday	7th May:	10.00am - Special Intentions
Thursday	9th May:	10.00am - Special Intentions
Friday	10th May:	10.00am - Special Intentions
Saturday	11th May:	11.00am - Celebration of First Holy Communion 07.00pm - Cathal Conaghan (2nd Anniversary) Joe McCrudden (8th Anniversary) Tommy White (Anniversary)
Sunday	12th May:	09.00am - Special Intentions 11.00am - Jack & Phil Gallagher (53rd Anniversaries) 01.00pm - Agnes Friel (Month's Mind Mass)

No Adoration this Bank Holiday Weekend.

Pray for: Josie McGuinness, Larynagreana & London, who died on Thursday; Frances Rawdon, Carricknamohill, whose funeral took place on Tuesday. Pray for: Mary McBride. *Suaimhneas Siorai.*

Rosary at the Grotto, Fintra Rd,
every Sunday at 8pm for the month of May.

Irish charity Bóthar Thanks everyone who donated to their Easter Appeal to humanitarian aid for Palestine and Gaza. Check our website and Facebook pages for monthly updates on our work at Bothar.ie, Instagram and Facebook.

Divine Mercy Centre, Letterkenny
An afternoon Retreat on Saturday 11th May
2pm-5.30pm. All welcome. Booking essential.
Tel: 074 916 9934 / dvmlatterkenny@gmail.com

Concert in Aislann Chill Chartha with the Dublin City Ramblers and special guest Eunan McIntyre Fri 24th May 8pm. €20 T: 0749738376

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
on Sun 5th, Mon 6th, Sun 12th, Tue 14th, Sat 18th, Sat 25th and Mon 27th. Details www.loughderg.ie. €45pp, booking essential.

Rosary in Glencolmille on Saturday 11th May at 4pm at Grotto in honour of Our Lady of Fatima.

Sunday Collection	28th April	€ 1,055.00
Maintenance Fund	28th April	€ 1,105.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

S.V.D.P. The sum of €819.83 was raised in our recent collection for Uganda Projects.
Thank you for your generosity.

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: Eilís Conneely on 087 7060457.

Relay For Life 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.

Niall Mór Centre: 0749741863
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Adults: Citizens Advice, Grow, AI-Anon, AA, Medical Card Clinic.
Children: Lego time & Sensory Morning, Summer Camp, Baby & Toddler Group, Sensory Mornings
Courses: Beginners Computer Skills, Emergency First Aid, FAR & Refreshes, Manual Handling, HACCP, Beekeeping, A Million Stars Crafting project, Creative writing, Beginners Photography, Tapestry Handweaving, Jewellery Making,