

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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



Parish Office Christmas Gifts

There is a large and varied supply of Christmas gifts and cards available in the Parish Office.

Christmas First Friday Calls will take place this Thursday & Friday 11th & 12th December, with Holy Communion and Anointing. Anyone who is not on the list and would like a call, please tell Fr Colm or Ann

Junior Choir practice after 11am Mass today and after Masses on Sundays 14th 21st December.

St John's Carol Service on Wednesday 10th December at 8pm. All welcome.

St Vincent de Paul Special Christmas Collection
Again we are appealing to your generosity for support of our special collection. We are very grateful and thank you sincerely for all your support during the past year. Collection will be taken up **after** Masses 13th & 14th Dec

Service of Reconciliation
Monday 15th December 7pm

Christmas Masses
7.00pm (Eve): Children's Christmas Mass
11.00pm (Eve): Christmas 'Midnight' Mass
Christmas Day: Masses at **9.00am** and **11.00am**
Practices for Children's Mass (Christmas Eve 7pm):
Monday 22nd Dec 11am and Tuesday 23rd Dec 11am.

Fintra B.O.M. Meeting Thursday 11th Dec. 4.30pm

Parents First Communion Group meets Thursday 11th December 8pm in Parish Office.
'Do this in memory' celebration: Sun 21st Dec 11am.

Parish Christmas Deliveries

- We would like to deliver the Parish Christmas Newsletter and the complimentary Parish Calendar 2015 to each household this week.
- At the same time the Church Envelopes and the Restoration Envelopes will be delivered.
- We are appealing for help with the deliveries. There will be a meeting this **Monday 8th December 7.30pm** (after Mass) in the Parish Office for all who can help.

Rosary & Divine Mercy Meeting Room Tuesdays 7pm

The Perfect Gift... a limited number of two magnificent aerial photographs of St Mary's Church in its beautiful idyllic setting, mounted on canvas, A3 size, 16x12 inches, €49 each. (Canvas only: €35, for posting.)
An excellent Christmas gift for home or abroad.

Feast of The Immaculate Conception
Monday 8th December:
Masses at 9am, 11am and 7pm.

Christmas Carol Service
Wednesday 17th December 7pm
The local schools join the Parish Choir and the Choral Group. The collection will go to the Capuchin Day Care Centre, Dublin, which provides 600 meals a day to people who are homeless and 1000 food parcels a week for those on the poverty threshold. All welcome.

Denis Byrne R.I.P. The family of the late Denis Byrne would like to thank all those who sympathised with them on their recent sad loss. To all who travelled to Castletownbere, sent flowers, Mass cards, bouquet and sympathy cards and messages of sympathy.
Thanks to Fr Colm and all who attended Denis's Mass we are very grateful.
Mass has been offered for your intentions.

Josephine Tyler R.I.P. The family of the late Josephine Tyler extend heartfelt gratitude to everyone who sympathised with them on the recent sudden death of Josie. To all who sent Mass/sympathy cards, text messages and phone calls, and all who brought & helped serve refreshments. Thanks to Dr Woods & Dr Staunton & staff. Special thanks to Fr. Colm, Fr McAteer, Fr. Danny McBrearty & Fr. Eddie Gallagher. Thanks to Auntie Maeve & her Choir, to Altar Servers & Ministers of Eucharist and Patricia O'Boyle, our sacristan. Thanks to McBrearty Undertakers.
Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Community Council meets Wed 10 Dec 8pm

Pioneer Mass on Thurs 18th Dec at 7pm. Anyone wishing to receive Gold or Silver Pins tel Celia 9731186. New members welcome.

- Sunday 7th December 2014: Second Sunday of Advent (Cycle B)**
- Weekday Readings: 2nd Week of Advent (Cycle 1)**

Saturday 6th December: 07.00pm - John McGuire, Teresa Carroll & deceased McGuire
Sunday 7th December: 09.00am - Pat Conneely (Anniversary)
11.00am - Rosemary Rafferty nee Gillespie (Anniversary)

Monday *The Immaculate Conception*
8th December: 09.00am - Paddy, Sheila & Mary McGee (Anniversaries)
11.00am - Peter Gerald Breslin (20th Anniversary)
07.00pm - Maude Gallagher (Anniversary)

Tuesday 9th December: 10.00am - Val Smyth (3rd Anniversary)
07.00pm - Josie Tyler (Month's Mind Mass)

Wednesday 10th December: 07.00pm - Deceased members of O'Donnell family

Thursday 11th December: 10.00am - Alice Keeney (Anniversary)
07.00pm - Jerry O'Neill (4th Anniversary)

Friday 12th December: 10.00am - John Sharkey (Anniversary)
07.00pm - Frank & Anna McCallig (Anniv) & Willie McCallig R.I.P.

Saturday 13th December: 11.00am - Denis Byrne R.I.P.
12.00 noon - Requiem Mass for Willie Kerrigan R.I.P.
07.00pm - Margaret Gallagher (Anniversary)

Sunday 14th December: 09.00am - Willie & Áine Murray (Anniversary)
11.00am - Sarah & James O'Donnell (Anniversaries)

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

Pray for those who died recently: *Kath Hegarty, who died in Birmingham (sister of the late Paul Hegarty & May McGowan); Mary Brigid Gallagher, Dungloe, whose funeral was on Tuesday (mother of Breda McGuinness, Portnacross.) Willie Kerrigan, formerly St John's Point. Funeral Mass, Killybegs, Saturday 13th Dec, 12 noon. Pray for: Packie Mely, Maeve McNulty. Suaimhneas Sioraí.*

Santa Claus arriving in Killybegs on Sun 7th December at 6 pm with St Catherine's Band. Christmas lights are being switched on and carol signing outside Bay View Hotel.

St Catherine's F.C. Annual Bazaar in the Tara Hotel on Sunday 14th December 6.30pm. Come along and support your local club and get your Christmas off to a winning start with Seamus Coleman prizes, hampers, vouchers and Santa's Grotto for that family snap.

6th Annual Boxing Day Swim in aid of Alzheimer's Donegal Branch and Killybegs Community Hospital invite you to do the swim and collect sponsorship for this very worthy cause. Sponsorship cards available. Contact: *Nuala @ Sweet News; Roisin @ Centra; Theresa @ Fawltys Bar; Gerald @ Fleet Inn John @ 087-2851776; Pauric @ 087-2230371; Fionnuala @ 087-4175410; Kevin @ Garda Station.* Swim at 2pm. Arrangements to follow. We appreciate the effort and support received over the years.

Bay View Hotel & Leisure Centre Special Offer on memberships. Up to 20% off 1 year & 6 months memberships starting Dec 13th until Christmas Eve.

Killybegs Community Care Care of the Aged Senior Citizens Party Tara Hotel Sun 7th Dec 1pm.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration
7th December - Mary Hegarty
14th December - Christine Smith

Sunday Collection € 1,415.00
Restoration & Development Fund:
Envelopes 29th & 30th November € 1,512.00
Donations € 1,830.00
Total Fund: €2,293,226.38

LYIT School of Tourism invites all walkers and runners to our *Santa Cracker 5k* Tuesday 9th December in aid of the Michael 'Birdy' McLaughlin fund. Reg at 3.15 pm in the School of Tourism Canteen, start time 4pm. Entry fee student/child €2 and adult €5.

A Craft Fair in Bay View Hotel on Sun 7th Dec 4.30pm - 7 pm (with switching on of lights). Supporting local craftspeople.. In aid of restoration of St Catherine's old Church.

Bus to the Highland Radio Christmas Concert in Mount Errigal Hotel on Mon 8th Dec. To book tel: McBrearty's 074 9731056

Killybegs Christmas Fayre
Carpet Making and Fishing Centre
Mon 1st - Fri 12th December 10am - 4.30pm.

My actions are my only true belongings