St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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Vocations Sunday: 7th May

To be born is to be chosen. None of us is accidentally in the world. We are sent here because there is something special for each of us to do here that could not be done by someone else. One of the wisdoms of living a full life is to try and sense what it is you were sent here for and to try and let the hindrances that block you from that fall away so that you can claim completely the life that was so generously offered to you. We were all reared in a world that concentrated on sin and sinfulness, but I believe that when we come into the eternal world we won't so much be checked for our failures, but we will be asked whether we honoured the possibilities that were placed inside us when we were so carefully fashioned out of the clay. There are limitless possibilities within each one of us and, if we give ourselves any chance at all, it is unknown what we are capable of.

John O'Donohue, Walking in the Pastures of Wonder, Veritas.

Killybegs Cruise Ships 2017

Thursday 11th May: MS National Geographic Explorer (American) 106 Passengers / 80 Crew; 1.30pm - 7pm. Thursday 18th May: MS Astor (German) 620 Passengers / 300 Crew; 8.30am - 3.30pm. Tuesday 30th May: MS Le Boreal (French) 264 Passengers / 140 Crew; 8am - 6pm. Sunday 4th June: MS Silver Wind (British)

212 Passengers / 140 Crew; 12.30pm - 6.30pm.

Saturday 10th June: MS Prinsendam (Dutch /American) 835 Passengers / 204 Crew; 8am - 6pm.

Monday 12th June: MS Saga Sapphire (British)

752 passengers / 406 crew; 8am - 5pm.
Sunday 25th June: MS Adonia (British /American)

777 Passengers / 325 Crew; 8am - 5pm.

Sunday 16th July: MS Adonia (British / American)

777 Passengers / 325 Crew; 8am - 5pm. Monday 17th July: MS Voyager (British) 576 Passengers / 226 Crew; 8am - 6pm.

Saturday 29th July: MS Aegean Odyssey (British /USA)

378 Passengers / 174 Crew; 1pm - 8pm. Sunday 30th July: MS Boudicca (British)

856 Passengers / 325 Crew; 2.30pm - 8pm.

Thursday 3rd August: MS Minerva (British)

352 Passengers / 164 Crew; 8am - 5pm. Saturday 5th August: MS Albatross (German)

800 Passengers / 340 Crew; 8am - 6pm.

Tuesday 29th August: MS Oriana (British)

1800 Passengers / 760 Crew; 8am - 4pm. Friday 15th September: MS Saga Pearl II (German)

449 Passengers / 220 Crew; 8am - 5pm.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

in the Church, Saturday 13th May, 2pm to 5pm, on the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, to mark the centenary celebration. The apparitions to the three children of Fatima took place in 1917, beginning on 13 May when the 'Lady' asked them to pray for sinners and an end to the World War. In the final apparition on 13 October, the 'Lady' identified herself as Our Lady of the Rosary and called for prayer and conversion.

Celebration of First Holy Communion Saturday, 20th May, 11.00am

- Refreshments in Foresters Hall for everyone. Parents of last year's First Communion class usually look after this party. Let Ann know in the Parish Office if you can help: 074 9731013.
- **First Communion Gifts** are now available in the Parish Office.

May Outdoor Rosary

Sunday 7th May 8pm, Immaculate Heart Grotto. Wednesday 10th May 8pm, St Cummins Hill.

Lough Derg 2017 Booking essential for One Day Retreats. Pre-booking not required for the Three Day Pilgrimage (from Thursday 1st June). Tel. 071 9861518 / info@loughderg.org.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to

Alexandra Ferry & Charles Carmichael who were married recently.

Anne Kinsella thanks all who contributed to the Church Gate Collection for Cancer Bus.

Thanks also to the collectors. €1265 was raised.

Donegal Interactive Pro Life Talk and Training on Thursday 11th May, Central Hotel, Donegal Town, 7:30pm. All welcome.

Killybegs Community Council A Family 5K Walk/Run for RNLI Mayday & Fundraiser to save lives at sea at St. Catherine's Well Carpark, 7th May 6.30pm. Follow Facebook updates – killybegscommunitycouncil.

Anam Cara, supporting bereaved parents next meeting Tuesday 9th May 7.30 - 9pm in Mount Errigal Hotel Letterkenny • Sunday 7th April 2017: Fourth Sunday of Easter Cycle A

Weekday Readings: Fourth Week of Easter

Saturday 6th May: 07.00pm - Joe McCrudden (1st Anniversary)

Sarah & Barney Gallagher & Bernadette Quinn (Anniv)

Sunday 7th May: 09.00am - Special Intentions

11.00am - John Carr (1st Anniversary)

Monday 8th May: 10.00am - Special Intentions

Tuesday 9th May: 10.00am - Aggie Quinn (Anniversary)

Thursday 11th May: 10.00am - Special Intentions 12th May: 10.00am - Special Intentions

97.00pm - Barney Conwell (Anniversary)
Saturday 13th May: 97.00pm - Sarah & Jack Greenlaw (Anniversaries)

Sunday 14th May: 09.00am - John Joe & Bridget Gillespie (Anniversaries)

& Gillespie Family, Lower Conlin.

11.00am - Jack Gallagher (Anniversary)

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

Rosary/Divine Mercy: Tuesday 7.30pm in Adoration Room.

Pray for: John Keeney, Balbane, whose funeral took place on Friday; **Seamus Doherty,** whose funeral took place in Kilcar on Thursday. **Also:** Aimee Lee Meehan, Mary McBride. **Suaimhneas Síoraí**

Mass at Gortnagolan Mass Rock on Wednesday 7th June 2017 at 7.00pm.

Mick the Barber open Mondays for summertime.

Killybegs GAA Bingo on Monday nights in Foresters Hall at 9pm. The current jackpot is at a massive €7,000 on 45 numbers.

Charity Ceili, Jiving, Sets & Old Time Dance in Millpark Hotel, Donegal town, Wed 10th May 9-12pm. €10. Supper incl. Music: Ceilí Time Proceeds to Donegal Hospice & North West Hospice.

Killybegs Tidy Towns

Planting Grass in Fintra Beach in order to save sand dunes on Thursday 11th May 6.30 - 8.30pm. Help would be appreciated for this and for litter-picking & power-washing etc. Tel Barry O'Hara 087 6997856. Tidy Towns Street Collection: The Committee thanks to all who contributed and helped out.

Are you caring for someone who has dementia? You are welcome to attend a free dementia training day in Letterkenny on Friday 9th June at 10am-4pm in Mount Errigal Hotel. Booking essential. Contact Diane Donnelly 087 2770103.

Niall Mór Centre 074 97 41863

southwestdonegalcdp1@gmail.com & Facebook Tennis Coaching for adults Thursdays 10am -11am at School of Tourism. Info Emma Buckley (Tennis Coach Ireland) 0879832141

Paediatric First Aid Fri 23rd June 9:30am-5pm. €75 Occupational First Aid Refresher Course: on Sat 24th June 9:30am-5pm. €90.

Donegal Women's Centre provide an outreach counselling service. Contact Brid 074 9124985

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

7th May - Mary Gallagher 14th May - Marian Breslin

Sunday Collection€1,540.00World Meeting of Families€ 24.00Trócaire€ 100.00Restoration FundEnvelopes 29th & 30th April€ 1,730.00Total Restoration Fund:€2,783,948.43

Thanks for your continued generosity.

Donald Mattie Smith

Exhibition of Photos and Paintings in Bank of Ireland from 12th - 19th May.

Preschool Vaccine Clinic at Dr Bourke's Health Centre on Wednesday 10th May & Thursday 11th May 12.30-2pm.

Áislann Chill Chartha 074 9738376

Bealtaine Festival Donegal County Library Service present a play 'The Lad from Laghey' Thur 18th May at 2pm. Adm free. All welcome. Golf Classic in Narin & Portnoo Golf Club Sat 24th June. Teams of 4 €100. Tee Sponsorship €50. Now taking Timesheet Bookings. Contact: 074 9545107 / 087 2575206

Tiny Tots Morning Fri 12th May 10am–12.30pm

Donegal Local Development Co. Free 2 day HACCP level 4 Food Hygiene course in Inver Comm Centre, May 8th & 9th 9.30am - 4.30pm Tel Kathy Cunningham 087 4126400