

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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



Graveyard Mass Thanks

Sincere thanks to everyone who attended and helped with this year's Graveyard Mass. There was persistent heavy rain in the morning and afternoon but it turned out a very pleasant and dry evening. Everyone made a special effort in attending to the graves of their loved ones, the participants of Killybegs Community Employment, under the supervision of Colin Mabon and Ann Marie Bourke, continue their much appreciated work in maintaining the graveyard in such excellent condition. Thanks to all who helped with the Mass and Blessing: Readers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Prayers of the Faithful, Gift bearers, Wreath layers, Altar Servers, Collectors, The Choir, The Legion of Mary, John Leslie, transporters, Patricia O'Boyle our Sacristan and Ann O'Donnell, Parish Secretary, who coordinated all the arrangements.

- A suggestion was made for next year: that families bring holy water and bless their own graves at the appointed time and any neighbouring grave if necessary. We'll try to implement that suggestion next year.

Blessing of the Fleet Mass Thanks Sincere thanks to everyone who attended and helped with this year's Blessing of the Fleet Mass at the Auction Hall. Heavy rain earlier in the day was followed by a calm and dry evening and while many travelled to Croke Park or were glued to the TV as Donegal bravely outbattled Galway, there was a huge attendance at the Mass. After Mass a wreath was laid at the Memorial Garden in fond memory of all lost at sea, followed by the Blessing of the Fleet. Along with Fr Colm, Fr Eugene O'Carroll and Rev Des Davis, Methodist Church of Ireland, Dunkineely, Participated. Long Éireannach Aisling was in the Harbour for the weekend and Captain and Crew attended. This is always a memorable occasion organised by Killybegs Fishermen's Organisation, in conjunction with the Parish Office. We pray for God's blessing and protection upon the fishing fleet for the forthcoming season.

Killybegs Community Employment Project
Some places are still available on the new project:
Youth Workers & Hospital Activities Coordinator;
To apply, call 0749731666 or email kepltd1@eircom.net

Killybegs Women's Group Overnight trip to Dublin Sat 24th Oct. B&B in 4*Gresham Hotel, return bus & Blanchardstown Shopping Centre on return. €80.
Tel: 0870949900. Immediate payment to any committee member or in Tara Hotel Fri 21st Aug 11.15am - 12noon.

Conneely Travel & JIW Tours One day tour: Fermanagh Lakelands Sat 22nd Aug. T: 0879213200

**Feast of the Assumption of Mary
Saturday 15th August**

Masses at 7pm on Friday (Vigil) at Croaghlin Mass Rock and 9am and 11am in the Church

**Mass at Croaghlin Mass Rock
Friday 14th August at 7.00pm.**

Complimentary bus departing from the Diamond at 6.30pm. As always a one-way system will operate, going to the Mass Rock along Conlin Rd & returning via Commons and Church Rd. All are welcome.

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord"

First Friday Calls: There will be no calls this month. Calls resume in September.

Live Streaming: New Web Address

Live Streaming from the church is now available on www.mcnmedia.tv
It can also be accessed by visiting our website www.killybegsparish.com

'Murillo' Painting

We are delighted to announce that the restoration of our 'Murillo' painting is near completion and will be officially unveiled on Friday 16th October 7.00pm at a special ceremony in the church to which everyone is welcome.

The painting was presented to the Church when it was first opened in 1844 and after substantial deterioration has been in the process of restoration in London for the past four years. We are really looking forward to its return.

Irish Water Safety Week starts

Monday 10th August in Fintra for all ages.
Reg: Monday at 10am. Contact:
Denise 087 2330489 / Aileen 087 2063183

Killybegs Community Council A public meeting on Wed 19th Aug in Bay View Hotel at 8pm to discuss submissions for draft local development plan which is due for renewal early September. If anyone wishes to submit or discuss issues of concern before meeting tel: Eimear McGuinness, Chairperson 0868473072

St Catherine's Band thanks everyone who supported their recent Church Gate Collection.

- **Sunday 9th August 2015: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle B)**
- **Weekday Readings: Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time (Cycle 1)**

Saturday 8th August: 07.00pm - John & Rosaleen Melly (25th & 15th Anniversaries)
Sunday 9th August: 09.00am - John Paul & Agatha McGuinness (Anniversaries)
11.00am - Margaret & Charles Mooney (Anniversaries)

Monday 10th August: 10.00am - Special Intention
Wednesday 12th August: 07.00pm - Special Intention
Thursday 13th August: 10.00am - Special Intention
Friday 14th August: 10.00am - Special Intention

Saturday 15th August: The Assumption of Mary
09.00am - Special Intention
11.00am - Jim & Maggie McFadden (36th & 25th Anniversaries)
07.00pm - John McCloskey (Anniversary)
Sunday 16th August: 09.00am - Pauric Conneely (Anniversary)
11.00am - David Kee (Anniversary)

Adoration: Sunday 6pm - Monday midnight

Pray for those who died recently: *Mary McGuinness, Brooklyn & Merville (wife of the late Charlie McGuinness, Killybegs) whose ashes were interred in St Marys' Cemetery on Tuesday; Mike Gulvin, (husband of Maureen Gulvin nee Smith, London and Killybegs) whose ashes were interred in St Mary's Cemetery on Wednesday. Pray for: Graham Carey, Mary Simpson. Suaimhneas Siorai.*

First Anniversary Mass for Bridgetta Gillespie in Bruckless in Sunday 23rd August at 11am.

Donegal ETB Education & Training Centre, Drumcliff, Donegal Town, now recruiting for a Business Administration course including ebusiness beginning September. If you are over 21 years & in receipt of social welfare payment tel 074 9721705.

St Catherine's V. S. Return to School Dates

Mon 31st Aug: 1st Year Students
Tues 1st Sept: 1st Year & Transition Year Students
Wed 2nd Sept: 1st, 2nd & 5th Year Students
Thurs 3rd Sept: All Students Mon 14th Sept: PLC

**Niall Mór Centre 074 97 41863
southwestdonegalcdpl@gmail.com**

Southwest Men's Sheds Art Exhibition
Saturday 8th August, Niall Mór Centre, 11am - 1pm
Light refreshments served. Everyone Welcome.
Letterkenny Women's Centre counselling service
Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Tel: Brid: 074 91 24985
Grinds in October for Biology and Maths.
24 Hour Spinathon Hosted by JC Fitness
Saturday 5th September to Sunday 6th September
Proceeds in Aid of Donegal/Galway Cancer Bus & Pieta House. Adults: €10 Teens: €5.
Dance Classes with Hannah, Fridays 10.30-11.30am
Be Inspired" workshop, Lynda Gregg, Thurs 13th & Fri 14th Aug, 10.30am -1.45pm. Tel: 087 094 9900
QQI Level 3 course Retail Industry Sept-May, two mornings a week.

Meningitis Research Foundation Bridgetta Kelly thanks all who sponsored her 10,000ft Skydive in memory of her brother who died of the disease.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

9th August - Maureen Cunningham
16th August - Mary Gallagher

Sunday Collection € 1,345.00
Graveyard Collection € 1,820.00
Restoration & Development Fund:
Envelopes 1st & 2nd August € 1,580.00
Total Fund: €2,431,619.93
Thanks for your continued generosity.

Re-opening of Primary Schools

Commons N.S. Thursday 27th August.
Junior Infants finish at 12 noon.
Fintra N.S. Tuesday 1st September
Junior Infants finish at 12.30.
Niall Mór N.S. Tuesday 1st September
Junior Infants finish at 12.25.

Nurses/Experienced Carers required to provide 24hr care for elderly person in their own home in Killybegs area. Text your name, contact no. and qualifications to 087 4420198.

Helen Meehan will discuss Alexander Morton's influence on the development of Killybegs in the 19th and 20th Century after his opening of the Carpet Factory, Tues 25th Aug in Maritime Centre 7.30pm. We would love to see former employees. Refreshments served.
Bus Tour of Historical Killybegs and Local Hinterland on Sat 22nd Aug 1.30pm - 4.30pm
Booking essential 086 2627722.
Collection outside The Bay View Hotel.