

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

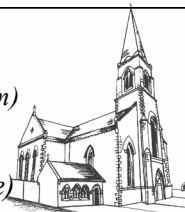
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Masses and Services: Live streaming www.mcncmedia.tv (link on website)



The Coronavirus Pandemic

In accordance with Government directives and Diocesan norms the following arrangements are in place:

- All Masses with congregations, Sunday and weekday, are cancelled for the time being. Everyone is dispensed from the Sunday obligation.
- Mass will be celebrated behind closed doors at St Mary's, Killybegs, and streamed live. Go to the parish website: killybegsparish.com to get a link or go to mcncmedia.tv. A full list of Masses on the opposite page. A recording of one of the Sunday Masses will be available.
- The church will be open at the usual times 8am - 7pm except during Mass. You are encouraged to call in and pray and light a candle if you wish.
- There will be no organized Adoration for the time being. People are welcome to pray for an hour in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament at any time.
- Confirmation is postponed until further notice.
- Special arrangements will be made for weddings, funerals and baptisms, with only the immediate family present. It is important that people be discouraged from travelling to funerals at this time.
- The Parish Newsletter will be available in the church and online as usual, from Friday 3pm.
- It's vitally important that we take every precaution to protect ourselves and others from the Coronavirus and to pray especially for those who are working in the frontline services.
- Ann O'Donnell, Parish Secretary, can be contacted outside office hours on: 0876735139

The Cross of Suffering

So many people are praying for a special intention and have written the intention and placed it in a special box in front of the Altar. Those intentions are remembered collectively at all Masses during Lent and will be placed at the foot of the Cross on Good Friday, remaining unopened until they are placed in the Easter Fire on Holy Saturday Night, praying that the Risen Christ will bring hope and healing to all who are suffering.

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon the earth that is marred by darkness. Look with compassion on all the peoples on whom have fallen the miseries of the Coronavirus.

Have mercy on the ill and the dying; comfort those who are broken-hearted. Let not their spirit and hope be broken and protect those who are anxious and frightened.

Heed the anxiety of all who are passing through the valley of shadows. May all peoples be brought through strife to peace. Having to stand apart may they stand united.

This we pray through Jesus Christ the One who suffered greatly and grievously and who journeys with all of us in our affliction. Amen.

The Coronavirus:

basic guidelines to protect yourself and others

- Learn how to wash your hands thoroughly.
- Keep your hands away from your mouth, eyes and nose.
- Keep your distance from sneezes and coughs
- Use tissues and dispose of them safely. Otherwise, cough into your elbow joint.
- We will keep the holy water fonts empty.

First Holy Communion

In view of the Coronavirus Pandemic, it's too early to confirm arrangements for First Holy Communion. In the meantime we encourage parents to work with their children and will post the remaining issues of Grapevine to you during the week. Enjoy THUMB. Take care and keep safe.

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- Sunday 22nd March 2020:** Fourth Sunday of Lent Year A
- Weekday Readings:** Fourth Week of Lent

Due to the Coronavirus restrictions all celebrations below take place behind closed doors and will be streamed live: go to killybegsparish.com for a link to the live streaming

Saturday	21st March: 07.00pm - Jim & Kitty McBrearty (Anniversary) John & Helen McBrearty (Anniversaries) Rose & Charlie Conwell (Anniversaries)
Sunday	22nd March: 09.00am - Máire Uí Ghallchóir (Anniversary) 11.00am - Joe Flannery R.I.P.
Monday	23rd March: 10.00am - Special Intention
Tuesday	24th March: 10.00am - Baby Maria Gallagher (Anniversary)
Thursday	26th March: 10.00am - Special Intention 07.00pm - Stations of the Cross
Friday	27th March: 10.00am - Dr Frank Curran (Anniversary)
Saturday	28th March: 07.00pm - Michael Carroll (2nd Anniversary) Margaret Mary Rowan-Mackie (6th Anniv) Jack Murchan (Anniversary)
Sunday	29th March: 11.00am - Anne Dorrian (1st Anniversary) Annie & James Byrne (Anniversaries)

Adoration, Confessions, Rosary/ Divine Mercy Cancelled until further notice

Pray for: Denis McGinley, who died in London (brother-in-law of Myles Cunningham).

Pray for: Annie Brennan. Suaimhneas Síoraí.

Mass from St Eunan's Cathedral: on RTE News Now every morning 10.30am or churchservices.tv
Rosary and a time of prayer with Bishop Alan each night 9.15pm: www.churchservices.tv/letterkenny or <https://m.facebook.com/Raphoe-Diocese-108004564165043/>

Live Streaming during the Coronavirus Pandemic

Two companies live-stream services from churches throughout Ireland and Great Britain:
mcncmedia.tv churchservices.tv
A variety of choice for all with access to the internet.

Radio Maria Ireland

Listen via TV on Saorview - Channel 210 and Freeview - Channel 826;
Download our free app: 'Radio Maria Ireland'.
Daily Mass will be aired at 10am each day

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE has launched a national support line for older people who have concerns relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Donegal Garden Society

The talk by Klaus Laitenberger has been deferred to Monday 7th Sept. Happy gardening and stay safe!

The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes has been rescheduled for 25th May 2021.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

Adoration is cancelled until further notice

People are welcome to place their weekly envelopes (Parish & Restoration) through the Parish Office letterbox or into either donation box in the Church Porch.

Total Restoration Fund: €3,174,336.43
Standing Orders for February € 865.00
Thank you for your continued generosity.

Niall Mór Centre 9741863
Áislann Chill Chartha 0749738376
Ring the Centres for enquiries.

Bluebird Care are seeking Registered Nurses with tracheostomy experience (essential) for a family in the South Donegal area, to work with a child in their own home. Hours are for days and nights. Tel: Annette Duddy 074 91 29562.

Killybegs Employment Project

Church Cleaner required for St Mary's (CE eligibility criteria applies).
For more info contact Colin or Ann Marie at Project Office in Foresters Hall, 0749731666, email kepltd1@eircom.net