

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!



'Like a candle that's set
 In the window at night,
 Your fond love has cheered me
 And guided me right'

Mother Machree.

The Cross of Suffering

We invite you to write a name or an intention, personal or global, on the Intentions Sheet provided, which will be remembered collectively at all Masses for the remainder of Lent. By putting your concerns into words and placing them into the Box of Suffering, we pray that your Cross of Suffering will be transformed into a Beacon of Light through the healing power of God. The box will be placed at the foot of the Cross on Good Friday, remaining unopened until its contents will be placed in the Easter Fire on Holy Saturday Night, praying that the Risen Christ will bring hope and healing to all who are suffering.



St Patrick's Day Sunday 17th March

Masses at 7pm (Vigil), 9am & 11am.
 Dancers from Bonner- Cannon School of Dancing at the 7pm & 11am Masses

Celebration of First Confession

Congratulations to the children who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time last Tuesday. Sincere thanks to their teachers, the Parents' Liturgy Group, Fr Danny and all who helped.

The next 'Grow in Love' celebration: will be on Palm Sunday 24th March 11am

Liturgy of the Word for Children

took place last Sunday for the first time since Covid. The children enjoyed it. Our thanks to Stephanie, Tracey & Mai. The next session: **Sunday 7th April 11am.** If we get more volunteers, we can have the sessions more frequently. *Anyone interested in helping out, please contact Ann in the Parish Office.*

Entrance Hymn: Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
 That saved a wretch like me.
 I once was lost but now I'm found,
 Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
 And grace my fears relieved.
 How precious did that grace appear
 The hour I first believed. (Repeat Verse 1)



The Season of Lent 2024

- **Trócaire Boxes** still available, to be returned during Holy Week.
- **Walk With Me:** A Lenten Journey of Prayer €2.

The Rosary after Daily Mass

Those who wish to stay behind after Daily Mass to say the Rosary may commence the Rosary 5 minutes after Mass has finished. This is to allow those who attend Daily Mass to leave unrushed. On occasions, like after a Month's Mind Mass, the Rosary may be said in the Adoration Room, not in the main body of the Church, in respect of those who are in the early stages of the grieving process. We will not be rushing them out of the chapel. These arrangements will help us to continue to be a worshipping, praying and caring community.



Final Hymn:

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
 Longing for truth, we turn to you.
 Make us your own, your holy people,
 Light for the world to see.



**Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
 Shine through the darkness.
 Christ be our light!
 Shine in your church gathered today.**

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
 Longing for hope, many despair.
 Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
 Make us your living voice. (Chorus)

		Sunday 10th March 2024:	Fourth Sunday of Lent	Year B
		Weekday Readings:	Fourth Week in Lent	
		Masses will be relayed on the webcam: go to killybegsparish.com for a link to Online Services		
Friday	8th March:	07.00pm	- Willie McCallig (Month's Mind Mass) & Gerry McCallig (14th Anniversary)	
Saturday	9th March:	07.00pm	- Jim Boyle (2nd Anniversary) Mary Anne Murphy (Anniversary) Mary Geary (13th Anniversary) Eileen & Neil Hegarty, Liam, Kim & Patrick John Hegarty & Thomas Sheridan (Anniversaries)	
Sunday	10th March:	09.00am	- Maggie McTeague (Anniversary)	
		11.00am	- John, Bridgit, Grace, Teresa & Bridie McBride (Anniversaries)	
Monday	11th March:	10.00am	- Anne Wade & deceased members Byrne family (Balbane)	
Tuesday	12th March:	10.00am	- Special Intention	
Thursday	14th March:	10.00am	- Pat O'Callaghan (14th Anniversary)	
Friday	15th March:	07.00pm	- Paddy Haughey (26th Anniversary)	
Saturday	16th March:	07.00pm	- Irene McCrudden (1st Anniversary) Nancy O'Donnell (3rd Anniversary) Bridget O'Hara (6th Anniversary) Lil & Con Kennedy (Anniversaries)	
Sunday	St Patrick's Day	17th March:	09.00am - Special Intentions 11.00am - Pat Quinn (Anniversary)	
			Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: <i>Monday 11am - 7pm. Mass: Friday 7pm.</i>	

Pray for: Antoinette Daly, nee McGill, Conlin Rd & Howth, Co Dublin, whose funeral took place in Dublin on Monday. Pray for: Annie Byrne, Alfred Lydon, Tommy Hegarty, Donegal Rd. Suaimhneas Síoraí.

Killybegs St Patrick's Day Parade will run Sunday 17th March at 3pm with live music, festive spirit & craic galore for all ages. Prizes of €100 for the best float, the most topical one and best live music too. If you'd like to register a float email: killybegscommunitycouncil@gmail.com.

Sunday Collection	3rd March	€ 1,340.00
Maintenance Fund	3rd March	€ 1,485.00
Donation		€ 500.00
Ton of Mackerel		€ 8,000.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

St Catherine's Band will play after 11am Mass on Sunday before they depart for New York, leading the Donegal Association in the St Patrick's Parade. Thanks to everyone for their support. If weather is not favourable they will play in the Church after Communion. We wish them a safe and enjoyable trip.

Parish Choir Practice Monday 7.15pm

Adult Céilí Dance Class Fridays 8pm - 9.15pm
 Foresters Hall. €7. Tel Grace 0871875620

Alone Donegal We are seeking volunteers in your area to help older people who'd like extra social contact. (1 hour a week) Full training and support provided. Sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/>
 For more info: Helena.madden@alone.ie or call 086 0145829 or 074-9321598.

Tidy Towns Come along to a tidy Town's meeting this Monday 11th March at 8pm in Niamh Kennedy's office. Your attendance would be appreciated.

Slieve League Special Needs Support Group
 Are you 18yrs or older and have a few hours to spare to volunteer and help with fun activities with children with Special Needs? Join us at our next meeting Tuesday 12th March in Aislann Chill Chartha 8.30pm. Email: slspecialneeds@gmail.com

Niall Mór Community & Enterprise Centre:
 0749741863 info@niallmorcentre.com
 Safepass 12th April
Basic Computers for Complete Beginners, Tapestry handweaving, Beekeeping, wreathmaking and flower arranging, Manual Handling, Emergency First Aid, HACCP, CPC, etc
Kids activities: St Patricks Day Crafts, Messy Play, Lego time, Kids Camps. Booking essential.

We can overcome our fear by letting go of it. Sr Stan