

## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

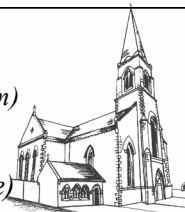
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Masses and Services: Live streaming [www.mcncmedia.tv](http://www.mcncmedia.tv) (link on website)



### A Perspective

- ◆ There are no bombs raining on our heads.
- ◆ I am not a prisoner held in solitary confinement, as millions are.
- ◆ I am not a refugee trying to escape with my life
- ◆ I am not standing in line waiting to fill a pot of water.
- ◆ I have access to fresh food and I'm not starving.
- ◆ I have hot running water.
- ◆ My country has not been ruined by years of war.
- ◆ I can reach my friends by phone and check in on them.
- ◆ My friends check in on me because they care about me.
- ◆ Any whiplash I feel about this strange turn of events is itself a sign of privilege.
- ◆ More than half of the world would gladly trade their everyday problems for the modest inconveniences I am experiencing.
- ◆ I may have anxious dreams but I'm dreaming them on a proper bed and I'm not sleeping on the sidewalk.
- ◆ By staying at home, I'm helping the planet rest.
- ◆ As long as I have my mind I can create, imagine, dream and not be lonely.
- ◆ This global crisis connects me to people around the world and reminds me of our common humanity. This is a good thing.
- ◆ When something tragic happens to another country next time, I will respond to it not with superiority, but humility and recognition.
- ◆ I will fight for positive changes and economically just policies in my own country.
- ◆ I am surrounded by books.
- ◆ I am surrounded by love.
- ◆ The trees have already begun to bloom.



Attributed on Facebook to Fr Eamon Graham, Parish of Lavey, Magherafelt, Co Derry

In the rush to return  
to normal, use this time  
to consider which parts  
of normal are worth  
rushing back to.

—DAVE HOLLIS



### A Prayer for Spiritual Communion



*My Jesus, I believe that you are present  
in this Most Holy Sacrament of the altar.  
I love you above all things  
and I desire to receive you into my soul.  
Since I cannot receive you now in Holy Communion  
come spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were already there  
and unite myself wholly to you.  
Never let me be separated from you. Amen.*

- **Sunday 10th May 2020:** Fifth Sunday of Easter Year A
- **Weekday Readings:** 5th Week of Easter

Due to the Coronavirus restrictions all celebrations below take place behind closed doors and will be relayed on the webcam: go to [killybegsparish.com](http://killybegsparish.com) for a link to the live streaming

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9th May:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Teresa McClafferty (3rd Anniversary) Jim McElhinney R.I.P.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10th May:</b>	<b>11.00am</b> - Jack & Phil Gallagher (Anniversaries)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>11th May:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Tommy White (Anniversary)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>12th May:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Kieran Harvey (Month's Mind Mass)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>13th May:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Special Intention (Curran Family)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>14th May:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Emmett Kelly R.I.P.
<b>Friday</b>	<b>15th May:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Baby Molly McGing (Anniversary)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>16th May:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Danny Heekin (1st Anniversary) Bridie & Frank Kennedy (Anniversaries) Annie McFadden (Anniversary)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>17th May:</b>	<b>11.00am</b> - Bernie Cahill (21st Anniversary)

**Pray for:** *Very Rev Hugh Sweeney, Parish Priest, Glenswilly:* Funeral Mass can be viewed on the Falcarragh Parish Facebook Page at 11.00am on Sunday morning 10<sup>th</sup> May. **Pray for:** *Aimee Lee Meehan, Johnny Hegarty, Kathleen Morrissey, Brigid Cunningham. Suaimhneas Sioraí.*

### Funeral Masses & Private Worship

- ◆ Bishop Alan announced on Tuesday that Churches may now facilitate a Funeral Mass attended by chief mourners limited to a maximum of ten people.
- ◆ The Church continues to be open for private prayer throughout the day 8am to 8pm except during Mass times.

It is vitally important to observe all Covid -19 safety guidelines in visiting the chapel:

- Use hand-sanitiser both on entry and leaving.
- Keep a distance of 2 metres from others.
- Avoid touching any surfaces if possible.
- The toilets will be closed from Wednesday 13th May as a further safety precaution.

### Fr Colm says Thank you

We really appreciate the singing and music at the live-streamed Masses during these lockdown days. I'm grateful to chief vocalist Roisín O'Donnell for making time to record the hymns as she is busily completing her Graphic Design degree on-line. We spare a thought to all who are managing their exams and projects on-line. I'm grateful to Sara O'Donnell, pianist, for being available as she is fully engaged in on-line teaching. We spare a thought for all teachers at this time who are adapting to this new teaching method. Roisín & Sara are assisted by their mother, Ann, the Parish Secretary and they form quite a musical team. Sincere thanks.

*You are welcome to place your envelopes through the Parish Office letterbox or into either donation box in the church porch*

<b>Sunday Collection</b>	€ 1,160.00
Trócaire	€ 140.00
Education of Students	€ 45.00
<b>Restoration Fund</b>	
Envelopes 2nd & 3rd May	€ 575.00
<b>Total Restoration Fund:</b>	<b>€ 3,179,147.43</b>

*Thank you for your continued generosity.*

**St Mary's Church Bells:** Sunday 11am & Thursday 8pm for all healthcare workers.

*Ann O'Donnell, Parish Secretary, can be contacted outside office hours: 087 6735139*

### Accord Covid-19 Couples & Relationships Support Line

If you need to speak to an experienced couples & relationships counsellor during this time of unprecedented stress and pressure on family life.. Contact: 01 531 3331 9am - 8pm, Monday-Friday All calls charged at local rate.

**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People ALONE:** Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, 0818 222 024.

*When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one which has been opened for us.* Helen Keller