

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

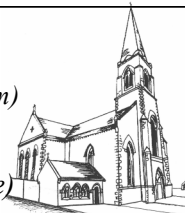
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Masses and Services: Live streaming www.mcncmedia.tv (*link on website*)



When Love Chooses You

Part 2 of a series of reflections for the month of July taken from 'At Your Side' by Raymond Friel & David Wells.

Jesus set about healing those who were reviled and despised. After he met them paralysed people walked away from people's indignation, lepers returned to their families. He freed those possessed by voices of self-loathing. Those who were blind and deaf, the withered and broken, he restored anyone who was cast out. Even death's sting retreated from him. He could have stayed with the teachers and elders he impressed in the temple as a little boy. But he didn't.

He chose the broken people, those who were dirty or lonely, and he proved to them that no one was beyond the love of his Father.

He taught with authority because he lived perfectly what he said. When hunger threatened them, he transformed the little they have him. When fear of drowning threatened to destroy them, he calmed their storm. When their religion became proper but loveless, he dared to challenge it. He told them parables which held up a mirror to their souls and when they looked in it they made plans to kill him. He could have ridden into Jerusalem on a stallion. He could have chosen an Aston Martin or Porsche. But he didn't.

He chose a donkey.

Betrayed by a friend, denied by his disciples, abandoned in Gethsemane, accused by false witnesses, tried by corrupt lawyers, sentenced by a coward, jeered at by the crowds, pitied by the daughters of Jerusalem, tortured to death by a brutal army, He could have raised an army from the stones. He could have chosen the way of the sword. But he didn't.

He chose silence to reply to his accuser, and he chose the cup his Father gave him to drink.

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Graveyard Week

Just like last year, we are making alternative arrangements for the Graveyard Mass.

We suggest having a Graveyard Week, Friday 30th July to Friday 6th August.

During these 8 days all who are buried in the graveyard will be remembered at all Masses and you are encouraged to pay a visit to the graveyard during that period and bless the graves of your loved ones.

Holy Water bottles will be freely available, along with a special Prayer of Blessing.

Fr Colm will also, in his own time during that week, have a Service of Blessing at the graveyard, remembering all the deceased, especially those who died during the past year. It will be posted on our website and on killybegsonline.org

While maintaining the graves of your loved ones, please ensure all excess material is removed from the graveyard. A skip is now in place for that purpose (for graveyard use only).

**Lord, those we remember never die.
They continue to walk and talk with us.
Their influence is still felt among us.**

Public Mass and the Sacraments

Everyone is welcome to attend Mass once again. There is no need to book beforehand.

Numbers are restricted to **100** for Public Mass.

We have two zones or pods which operate independently and may accommodate **50 each**.

Each section has its own entrance and exit route.

There must be no movement of people between sections before, during or after Mass

Funerals restricted to **50** mourners (zones do not apply): this applies to church and the graveyard.

Weddings restricted to **50** guests in the chapel (zones do not apply).

Baptisms restricted to parents, child and siblings, godparents & grandparents.

Sacrament of Confirmation will not take place on Saturday 10th July. We will arrange a new date as soon as it is feasible to do so.

First Holy Communion: Sat. 18th September.

Stewarding and Sanitising If anyone else would like to help out, please let Fr Colm, Patricia or Ann know. We would like to have a back-up rota.

The church is open for private prayer every day: 8am - 8pm. Take care.

◆ **Sunday 11th July 2021: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year B**

◆ **Weekday Readings: Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time: Cycle I**

Masses will be relayed on the webcam: go to killybegsparish.com for a link to the live streaming

Saturday	10th July:	07.00pm -	Patsy Mc Gowan (2nd Anniversary) Patsy O'Rourke (25th Anniversary) Maureen Phelan R.I.P. Jamsie Boyle (Anniversary) Joseph & Mary Mc Menamin (Anniversaries)
Sunday	11th July:	09.00am - 11.00am -	Mary Teresa Rose (1st Anniversary) Special Intention
Monday	12th July:	10.00am -	Anthony & Alice Griffith (Anniversaries)
Tuesday	13th July:	10.00am -	Special Intention
Thursday	15th July:	10.00am -	Special Intention
Friday	16th July:	07.00pm -	Michael O'Donnell (19th Anniversary)
Saturday	17th July:	07.00pm -	Daniel Byrne (Anniversary) William Hamilton (Anniversary) Michael Rawdon (2nd Anniv) /deceased family members
Sunday	18th July:	09.00am - 11.00am -	Charlie & Margaret Murrin (Anniversaries) Brian Harvey R.I.P. (Month's Mind Mass)

Pray for: Cecilia Mc Bride, funeral in Letterkenny Saturday 10th July (wife of the late John Mc Bride, Conlin Rd & Downings); Brigid Quinn whose funeral is in Scotland tomorrow Monday.

Pray for: Breege Hegarty, Neil Hegarty. Suaimhneas Siorai



Congratulations & Best Wishes to

Conor O'Rourke & Amy Jordan
who were married here recently.

Sunday Collections

4th July	€ 1,190.00
Restoration Fund	
4th July	€ 535.00
<i>Thank you for your continued generosity</i>	

Killybegs Employment Project vacancies:

Domestic Worker/Activities	Killybegs
Craft shop Retail & Accounts Assistant	Killybegs
Caretaker Niall Mór Centre	Killybegs
Clubrooms & Parish Maintenance	Inver/Ardaghey
Caretaker Foresters Hall	Killybegs
Grounds Caretaker	Killybegs
Maintenance Workers	Killybegs
Youth Workers	Killybegs
Kitchen Assistants	Killybegs
Bar Assistant	Killybegs

Eligibility to participate on CE is generally linked to those who are 21 years or over and applicants must also be in receipt of a qualifying Irish social welfare payment for 1 year or more.

To apply or to find out more information call the office on 0749731666 or email kepltd2@outlook.ie

Theology of the Arts.

The Priory Institute will conduct a week-long online Summer School 8-13 & 22-27 August. Info / to register visit prioryinstitute.com

Killybegs Online Bingo Mondays 8.30pm. Books on sale in Curran's until Monday 11am.

Áislann Chill Chartha 0749738376

Áislann Health and Fitness Suite open Monday to Friday 10am to 8.30pm. Open to current and new members and casual visits. Booking System in operation.
Áislann Riverside Takeaway open Wednesday to Saturday 5-9pm; Sunday 2-7pm.
Snooker Room available for individual play, booking essential.

MCN Media Recordings: Important Notice



With effect from 1st August 2021 MCN Media, responsible for our live streaming, can only store recordings for a maximum of 1 week. This is due to GDPR regulations. If you wish to download existing recordings to your computer and transfer to memory stick or upload to social media please do so immediately. Recordings are located by using the search facility on the MCN website which has been updated. *Just a reminder, recordings are done on request only (we usually record funerals unless instructed otherwise).*