

## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

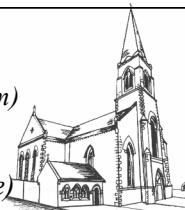
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Masses and Services: Live streaming [www.mcncmedia.tv](http://www.mcncmedia.tv) (link on website)



### Easter Joy: Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The reason for the joy of Easter is because Christ is Risen - the women who came to the tomb found their joy in this.

They may have found joy also in a beautiful dawn in the garden, or in their friendships, but the joy of Easter is the joy of faith, which nothing need take away.

The Alleluia is for singing, not for humming; it is to be heard from the voice of the heart, and should lift the hearts of those who hear:

'Jesus Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!'

We often see great joy in the middle of huge poverty:

often the poor can live for the present moment and enjoy it to the full.

Sometimes in the middle of illness we find a peace we don't know from where it comes.

The grace of the risen Christ can touch our lives at any time.

We are not Christians 'whose lives seem like Lent without Easter' (Pope Francis)

Risen Christ, during these global pandemic days, raise our lives in hope.

Bring us inner joy.

Donal Neary SJ



### The Coronavirus Pandemic:

In accordance with Government directives and Diocesan norms the following arrangements are in place, following the Stay at Home directive:

- 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](http://killybegsparish.com) to get a link or go to [mcncmedia.tv](http://mcncmedia.tv)  
**Sunday Masses:** 7pm (Vigil), 11am. **Weekday Masses:** Monday to Friday 11am.
- The church will be open at the usual times 8am - 8pm, except during Mass and services, but subject to the Government's very strict limits on movement and health directives. Use the hand sanitiser on entering and leaving for your protection and for the protection of others.
- Confirmation and First Communion are postponed until further notice. There will be no baptisms or weddings for the time being.
- All funeral services** to be conducted only at the burial in the graveyard with no more than 10 family representatives, as per Covid-19 guidelines. Your loved one who has died goes directly from hospital/ funeral home or equivalent to the graveyard. This is a difficult one for families of loved ones who have died. A Funeral Mass may be said in the church (behind closed doors) which would be live-streamed. These extreme arrangements are deemed necessary because of the extreme circumstances.

The Parish Newsletter will be available in the church and online as usual, on Fridays pm.

- Sunday 12th April 2020:** Easter Sunday Year A
- Weekday Readings:** Easter Octave

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>Holy Saturday</b>	<b>11th April:</b>	<b>09.00pm - The Easter Vigil</b> Seamus Doherty (3rd Anniversary)
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	<b>12th April:</b>	<b>11.00am</b> - Sheila & Brendan Hickey & Paul Conway (Anniv) Rosanna & Charlie Boyle (Anniversaries)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>13th April:</b>	<b>11.00am</b> - Laety Reddington (Anniversary)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>14th April:</b>	<b>11.00am</b> - Special Intentions
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>15th April:</b>	<b>11.00am</b> - Special Intentions
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>16th April:</b>	<b>11.00am</b> - Special Intentions
<b>Friday</b>	<b>17th April:</b>	<b>11.00am</b> - John Kelly R.I.P.
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>18th April:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Eugene McGuinness (1st Anniversary) Nora & Arthur Kee (Anniversaries) Barney & Doris Conwell (Anniversaries) Liz Prior (10th anniversary) Billy McClean (13th Anniversary)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19th April:</b>	<b>11.00am</b> - Cahir Gallagher (2nd Anniversary)

*Please note: Weekday Masses Monday to Friday: 11am*

**Pray for: Seamus Callaghan, Ealing, London, formerly from Fintra, who died on Holy Tuesday; Tommy Bell, Blackburn, England, who died on Wednesday (uncle of Maureen Rowan, Donegal Rd). Pray for: Baby John Kelly, Joe Kelly and Packie Meehan, Neil & Aggie Quinn. Suaimhneas Siorai.**

Mass on RTE News Now every morning 10.30am.

**Rosary and a time of prayer with Bishop Alan each night 9.15pm:** [www.churchservices.tv/letterkenny](http://www.churchservices.tv/letterkenny) or <https://m.facebook.com/Raphoe-Diocese-108004564165043/>

**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

**Daily Mass** is also on EWTN

**Trócaire:** The excellent work of Trócaire continues in Honduras, Kenya and in different parts of the world. They are risking their lives for the ones they love. They need your help and support as much as ever. Drop the Trócaire envelope with your donation into the Parish Office letterbox and we will forward all donations to Trócaire as soon as possible.

**St Mary's Church,** in conjunction with Churches throughout the country, will ring the Church Bells on *Sundays 11am and Thursdays 8pm* to show support for our healthcare workers.

### A Prayer in time of pandemic

*Loving God, look with compassion upon your people who suffer because of the Covid - 19 pandemic. Relieve the pain of the sick. Give strength to those who care for them. Welcome into your peace those who have died. Throughout this time of tribulation grant us comfort in your merciful love. Through Christ our Lord.*

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

<b>Sunday Collection</b>	€ 1015.00
Education of Students	€ 140.00
Trócaire	€ 455.00
<b>Restoration Fund</b>	
Envelopes 4th & 5th April	€ 375.00
<b>Total Restoration Fund:</b>	<b>€ 3,175,592.43</b>

**Found:** Pair of glasses found on the road at Lisnaclaya on Wednesday. Tel:0868462932

**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.

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