

## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

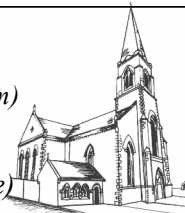
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Masses and Services: Live streaming [www.mcnmedia.tv](http://www.mcnmedia.tv) (link on website)



### Live-streamed Advent Masses to the Classrooms

The next live streamed Mass to the classrooms will be  
Monday 13th December 10am

Mass will also be livestreamed to the classrooms on  
• Monday 20th December 10am: a Christmas Mass

### The Christmas Crib and the Christmas Trees

Each year we are blessed with these beautiful Christmas symbols, reminding us of God's gift of Salvation and Creation.



Sincere thanks to Patrick, Betty and John Boyle for this labour of love, taking such time and care in creating the Christmas Crib.

*The Crib draws our attention to the birth of the homeless baby that first Christmas, the birth of Jesus, God With Us, a birth which is celebrated in every home forever more.*

Our sincere thanks to Johnny Paul, James, Hubert and Seamus for having the Christmas Trees in place so promptly and so fittingly, indoors and outdoors.

### Public Mass and the Sacraments

In view of the high covid numbers, certain guidelines continue to apply:  
**Face covering, social distancing and using hand sanitiser.**



Every alternative seat will be in use to ensure social distancing. Kneelers are not in use to reinforce this and to allow people to cross over in the seat if necessary. In sharing a seat with others outside your circle, please maintain social distance.

Please allow others to feel safe in their own space

Communion will be distributed after the Final Blessing, in front of the altar and in the centre of the church, coming forward up the middle, seat by seat, leaving by the sides. Those who wish to return to their seat for prayer may do so, following safety directions.

**The church is open for private prayer every day: 8am - 7pm. Take care.**



*St Lucy, preserve the light of my eyes so that I may see the beauties of creation, the glow of the sun, the colour of the flowers and the smile of children. Amen.*

Feast of St Lucy, patron saint of sight, 13th December

### Christmas Masses 2021

- **Thursday 23rd December:** 10am
- **Friday 24th December, Christmas Eve:** Masses at 6pm, 8pm & 10pm
- **Christmas Day:** Masses at 8am, 10am & 12 noon
- **Sunday 26th December:** Masses at 9am & 11am.

### Parish Christmas Deliveries

The Killybegs Parish Calendar 2022 & The Christmas Newsletter 2021 are being delivered to each household along with Church/Restoration Envelopes as requested. We are grateful to all the helpers for their prompt and generous assistance.

*More complimentary copies of Killybegs Parish Calendar 2022 available from the Parish Office. The Christmas Newsletter contains full details of Christmas arrangements and so much more.*

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Monday, in the main body of the Church, 11am to 7pm. A number of people are designated for each hour. Everyone is welcome to Adoration. Feel free to come at any hour or part thereof.

◆ **Sunday 12th December 2021: Third Sunday of Advent: Year C**

◆ **Weekday Readings: Third Week of Advent**

Masses will be relayed on the webcam: go to [killybegsparish.com](http://killybegsparish.com) for a link to Online Services

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>11th December:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Donal Cannon (1st Anniversary) Tom Rowan (5th Anniversary) Mary (4th) & Paul (13th) Hegarty (Anniversaries) Peter Gerald Breslin (27th Anniversary)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12th December:</b>	<b>09.00am</b> - Mícheal Mooney (Anniversary) <b>11.00am</b> - John Sharkey (Anniversary)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>13th December:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Maggie & Dan and Jim McCloskey (Anniversaries)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>14th December:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Frank Gallagher (Anniversary)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>16th December:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Frances Hughes, Audrey Gray & Jack Byrne (Anv)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>17th December:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - John Keeney R.I.P. (Month's Mind Mass)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>18th December:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Roselean Mc Guinness (3rd Anniversary) Gerard Byrne (Anniversary) Mickey Cannon (Anniversary) Sarah Mc Closkey (Anniversary) Barney & Moira Murrin (Anniversaries)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19th December:</b>	<b>09.00am</b> - Kathleen Mangan nee Griffith R.I.P. <b>11.00am</b> - John Gallagher (3rd Anniversary)

**Pray for: Catherine Hegarty** who died in the U.S. recently.

**Pray for: Anna & Frank McCallig, Packie Melly. Suaimhneas Siorai**



Be patient with yourself.  
Nothing in nature blooms all year.

**Thank You** The family of the late Jennifer Greene nee Hamilton would like to thank everyone who sent sympathy cards, Mass cards and lovely messages and flowers to us at this sad time and we thank Fr Colm for his lovely funeral Mass. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

### St Vincent De Paul

We encourage anyone who is under financial stress to contact us, all requests treated in confidence.

Ring any of the following:  
087 3507727, 9731186, 9731426, 9731391.

Those wishing to support our work may donate by using the above details.

**Bingo Online** every Monday Night at 8pm.

Extra Prizes for 4 Mondays in December climbing each week by €250 as a thank you for support.

Prizes €1,750, €2,000, €2,250, €2,500

Books on sale at Curran's until 11am Mondays.

### Killybegs Community Council's Secret Santa Competition,

with a prize of a €300 fuel voucher from Donegal Oil - closing date is 18th December. Entry boxes are in Hegarty's Centra and Mrs B's. Don't forget to number your guesses and include the €2 entry fee in your envelope. All proceeds go to the Killybegs Community Hospital Patients' Comfort Fund.

<b>Sunday Collection</b> 5th December	€ 1,125.00
Upkeep of Cemetery	€ 10.00
<b>Restoration Fund</b> 5th December	€ 825.00
<b>Total Restoration Fund</b>	€3,296,120.43

*Thank you for your continued generosity*

### Thank you

The family of the late John Keeney would like to express their sincere gratitude for the sympathy and kindness shown to them on their recent sad loss. Our thanks to family, neighbours and friends for all their help. Many thanks to those who sent Mass cards, sympathy cards, phoned, texted, sent condolences online and to all those who came out to show their respects. Special thanks to Fr. Colm and Fr Gerard, Dr. Charles Bourke & staff at Health Centre and Jackie and Philomena Mc Brearty Funeral Directors. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

### Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages 2022

7 Nights Apartment B&B and return Airport transfer from Dubrovnik or Split from €315 per person sharing. Contact 01 4434510 / reservations@med-irishcentre.com



**Christmas Shop Now open!!**  
**Pre-Christmas Sale 20% off**  
Christmas Gifts, Cribs, Cards & Christmas Mass Bouquets now available in the Parish Office