

## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

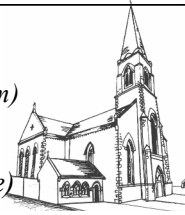
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### When the future of our world scares me

*Oh Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,  
consider all the worlds thy hands have made;  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy power throughout the universe displayed.  
Oh Lord my God..*

**Climatologists** tell us that we are destroying our common home.

**Economists** tell us we're not going to have enough savings for our old age.

**Traders** tell us we're falling behind in the global race for prosperity.

**Nutritionists** tell us we're eating ourselves into diabetes.

**Business analysts** tell us that children will be worse off than their parents.

**Ecologists** tell us forests will have to be protected by force.

**IT gurus** tell us that our personal details will be vulnerable.

**Biologists** tell us that we'll respond poorly to antibiotics.

**Oceanographers** tell us we're consuming plastic through the food chain.

**Engineers** tell us robots will replace us at work.

**Meteorologists** tell us to expect 'extreme weather'.

**Religious leaders** tell us we're losing our moral compass.

**Sociologists** tell us we're losing touch with each other.

**Psychiatrists** tell us mental illness is escalating.

**Educationalists** tell us we'll know a little about everything and not a lot about anything.

What am I to do with this?  
So much lies beyond my control.

*Lord, may I never give in to complacency about the future of our world and at the same time help me to trust in your providence.*

*May I be motivated by the urgency of these issues but not enslaved by despair or cynicism.*

*I entrust to you, almighty and loving God, all that is good and beautiful and, when I have done what is to be done, help me to sleep the sleep of saints so that I am ready to begin again tomorrow.*

*Thank you for the beauty and abundance in creation. May we learn how to enjoy it the way you meant us to. Amen.*

Raymond Friel and David Wells

### The Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation to be celebrated on **Saturday 4th September.**

With Covid restrictions in mind, there will be four celebrations on that day:

**10.00am:** 'Fintra N.S.'

**11.30am:** 'Commons N.S.'

**1.00pm:** 'Niall Mór 1'

**2.30pm:** 'Niall Mór 2'

The same arrangements will apply as was planned for 10th July. The Bishop will not be present.

The restriction in numbers means that only the following may attend: Candidate, sponsor, parents & siblings of candidate (and teacher).

It is strongly recommended that any gatherings taking place after the ceremonies should be in line with government guidelines and kept strictly within family pods.

**First Holy Communion** will be celebrated on Saturday 18th September, with three separate celebrations that day. More details later.

### 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 **100** guests in the chapel.

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

**Sacrament of Confirmation:**

Saturday 4th September (4 sessions)

**First Holy Communion:**

Saturday 18th September (3 sessions)

**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 15th August 2021:** *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

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

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

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>14th August:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - John Mc Closkey (Anniversary) Martin Howley (Anniversary) Deceased members of Burke & Crawford families Special Intentions
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>15th August:</b>	<b>09.00am</b> - Special Intention <b>11.00am</b> - Denis Kinsella (Anniversary)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>16th August:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Josie & Katie Mc Hugh (Anniversaries)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>17th August:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - David Kee (9th Anniversary)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>19th August:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> - Susan Conaghan (11th Anniversary)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>20th August:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Special Intention
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>21st August:</b>	<b>07.00pm</b> - Conal Melly R.I.P. Ken Byrne (3rd Anniversary) Margaret & Frank Brennan (Anniversaries) Packie & Mary Boyle (Anniversaries)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>22nd August:</b>	<b>09.00am</b> - Seán ÓGallchóir (Anniversary) <b>11.00am</b> - Michael Gallagher (3rd Anniversary)

*Pray for: Margaret Mc Groarty-Gallagher whose funeral was in Long Island, New York, on Friday (sister of Lena Gavigan, Ballyara). **Suaímhneas Siorai***

<b>Sunday Collections</b>	8th August	€1,165.00
<b>Restoration Fund</b>	8th August	€ 525.00

€1000.00 donation received from Bridge Street Community Shop, in memory of Maureen O'Doherty who passed away on 8th November 2020, founder of the charity. *May she rest in peace.*

Thank you for your continued generosity

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

**Killybegs Employment Project** vacancies:  
Domestic Worker/Activities 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  
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



*The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

### Raphoe Virtual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Sunday 22nd August 2021

Celebrant: Most Rev Alan McGuckian  
Due to the pandemic and restrictions you are invited to join the pilgrimage online via

[www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live](http://www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live)

Rosary at 2.30pm; Mass at 3pm

**Found** Miraculous found at gate of the graveyard. Tel parish office 0749731013.



### Congratulations & Best Wishes to

*Adrian Murrin & Rachel Clarke*

who were married recently.



**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 **one 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).*