

## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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



### A Lenten Prayer by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Lord, you mark when I walk or lie down;  
all my ways lie open to you.

When I cease activity, calm my mind.

When I am by myself, be my companion and friend.

When I am weary and heavily laden,  
may your Spirit renew me.

When I lie down, may it be in peace  
for sleep to heal and refresh me,

for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Watch my sleeping, guard my waking,  
be always near.

### The Season of Lent 2026

- The Season of Lent begins this week on **Ash Wednesday**. Masses **10am & 7pm**, with distribution of ashes after the Gospel. The collection at both Masses will be for the Easter flowers.
- Ashes will be in the Church on Ash Wednesday in front of the altar. Feel free to call in and bless yourself with these ashes as you begin Lent.
- Trócaire Boxes** are now available.
- Walk With Me:** A Lenten Journey of Prayer €2.



### Board of Management Meeting

Niall Mór N.S. Monday 16th February 8pm

### Entrance Hymn: Here I am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
*Here I am Lord, is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go Lord, if you lead me  
I will hold your people in my heart*  
I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my peoples' pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my words to them, Whom shall I send?



### Statement from Fintra National School Board of Management

Fintra N.S. would like to provide an update following a Board of Management meeting held on Thursday 5th February.

- A successful Open Day was held on Sunday 25th January, which was well attended.
- Arising from the public meeting, a survey of prospective children was conducted.
- An enrolment video was created and uploaded to our Facebook page.
- There has been wide media coverage highlighting the campaign to encourage new enrolments.
- It was decided to offer a preschool, breakfast club and after-school service from September 2026, subject to numbers.
- Existing parents are available to chat with any prospective parents. Please contact the school for more information.
- New enrolments would be very welcome. Please contact the school: Tel: 07497 31668 or email: [info@fintrans.ie](mailto:info@fintrans.ie)

### Liturgy of the Word for Children

Sunday 22nd Feb & 1st March 11am.



**First Friday Calls** Fr Colm will do his calls this week. Anyone not on the list who would like a call, contact the Parish Office.

**Lourdes Invalid Fund** Thank you to everyone who contributed and to the helpers. €1050 was raised.

**Donegal Branch of Diabetes Ireland** Annual Church Gate Collection on 21st & 22nd February.

**Parish Choir Practice** Mondays 7.15pm

### Final Hymn: How Great is Our God

*How great is our God! How great is his name!  
How great is our God! For ever the same.*



He rolled back the waters of the mighty Red Sea.  
and he said: "I'll never leave you.  
Put your trust in me". (Chorus)

He sent his Son, Jesus, to set us free  
and he said: "I'll never leave you.  
Put your trust in me". (Chorus)

He gave us his Spirit, and now we can see  
and he said: "I'll never leave you.  
Put your trust in me". (Chorus)

**Sunday 15th February 2026: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A**

**Weekday Readings: Sixth Week in Ordinary Time Weekday 2**

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

**Saturday 14th February: 07.00pm** - Willie Mc Callig (2nd Anniversary)  
Laurna Beirne (8th Anniversary)  
& Raymond Gillespie (1st Anniversary)  
Eddie Sweeney (34th Anniversary)

**Sunday 15th February: 09.00am** - Edward & Nora Leslie (Anniversaries)  
**11.00am** - Ann Boyle (7th Anniversary)

**Monday 16th February: 10.00am** - Paul Murrin (6th) & Mary Geary (Anniv)

**Ash Wednesday 18th February: 10.00am** - Tara McGuinness (29th Anniversary)  
**07.00pm** - Cassie & Tom McBrearty (Anniversaries)  
**10.00am** - Baby Rian Vince (15th Anniversary)  
**10.00am** - Special Intentions

**Thursday 19th February: 07.00pm** - Finola O'Rourke (6th Anniversary)  
**Friday 20th February: 07.00pm** - Special Intention  
**Saturday 21st February: 07.00pm** - Paddy & Michael Byrne (Anniversaries)  
Deceased members McGettigan family

**Sunday 22nd February: 09.00am** - Jim & Annaleen Cuningham (Anniversaries)  
**11.00am** - Seamus Tully (1st Anniversary)

*No Mass on Tuesday. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday 11am to 7pm*

**Pray for: Pat Daniels Cunningham, Emerald Drive & Ballyara, whose funeral took place on Thursday; Frank Gallagher, Donegal Rd, whose funeral took place on Wednesday. Suaimhneas Síoraí.**

### Primary School Enrolments 2026/ 2027

Schools are accepting new enrolments  
Monday 2nd - Friday 27th February

**Niall Mór N.S.:** See [www.niallmor.ie](http://www.niallmor.ie) under the Policies/Admissions tab or tel: 074 9731794

**Commons N.S.:** See [www.commonsns.com](http://www.commonsns.com) under the Parents tab or tel: 074 9731919 / [commonsns@gmail.com](mailto:commonsns@gmail.com)

**Fintra N.S.:** see [www.fintrans.scoilnet.ie/blog](http://www.fintrans.scoilnet.ie/blog) under the enrolment tab or tel: 074 9731668

### Áislann Chill Chartha 074 9738376

Email: [eolas@aislann.ie](mailto:eolas@aislann.ie)

Country Market/ Car Boot Sale Sat 4th April.  
Tables €20; *Conversational Irish, Creative Writing, Knitting & Crochet:* Monday 16th Feb.  
*Photography, Adult Art, HACCP/Hygiene:* Wednesday 18th February.

### Vacancies at Killybegs Employment Project Ltd

1 x Maintenance Worker - Dunkineely  
1 x Maintenance Worker - Killybegs  
1 x Tourism Information Officer - Killybegs  
1 x Domestic Worker - Killybegs  
Eligibility requirements have to be satisfied.  
For info visit [jobsireland.ie](http://jobsireland.ie), tel: 074 9731666,  
email [kepltd2@outlook.ie](mailto:kepltd2@outlook.ie) or call to the Project Office in the Foresters Hall.

**Sunday Collection** 8th February € 1,370.00  
**Maintenance Fund** 8th February € 1,465.00

**Lost.** Rose Gold Bracelet, lost last weekend.  
If found please contact 087 0564112

**Social Dance** in Inver Community Centre on Sunday 15th February. Dancing 9-11pm.  
Music by Anne McGroary and Norman Borland.

**Killybegs ICA** invites you to join Caroline Carr, Donegal County Museum for her talk 'UNTOLD' - Donegal Women, the War of Independence and the Civil War on Tuesday 17th February 11am in Bayview Hotel.

**The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage Lourdes 2026** departs Derry Monday 25th May, 4 nights, led by Mons Kevin Gillespie. €939pp. Contact Joe Walsh Tours 012410800. Anyone wishing to travel with the Special Assisted Section apply to: Fr Stephen Gorman, Parochial House, Rathmullan, F92 D4F3. Email [lourdes@raphoediocese.ie](mailto:lourdes@raphoediocese.ie) or t: 074 9158156

**Niall Mór Centre**  
**0749741863** [info@niallmorcentre.com](mailto:info@niallmorcentre.com)  
*Emergency First Aid Training- CPR/AED*  
Thursday 26th February 9am -4pm.  
*Alexa- Dressmaker* Mon & Fridays 12pm -5pm

**Sunday Social** in Dunkineely Community Centre on Sunday 22nd February 8pm - 10pm.  
Music by Country Traditions. Adm €10 which includes refreshments.