

**St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs**

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*World Day of Migrants and Refugees 15 January 2017*

**For Children Immigrating Alone**

Mary, you travelled alone to reach the loving embrace of your beloved family member. Elizabeth welcomed you with open arms and an open heart.

Be with those children who are traveling across borders to seek solace with family. Protect them from exploitation and from traumatising experiences.

Teach us by the example of the Visitation. Grant us open arms and open hearts to receive your children trying to find the way to a new, life-giving home.

Mary, Mother of the human family, help us end the misery of children separated from family by man-made borders but not by love. May they arrive, as you did, to joy and to the benediction of a loving embrace. Amen.



**Adoration Rota** now available in middle aisle.

**Night Classes for St Catherine's Vocational School**  
Enrolment Monday 23rd January 6-8pm  
Start Wednesday 1st February 7.30pm  
Choir: singing for fun; Wire Sculpture; Flower Arranging;  
Cooking; Computing for Beginners; Advanced Computing  
Cost of 8 week class €95. Unwaged or their adult dependant (spouse) may receive a reduction of €30.

**Board of Management** Fintra N.S. Tue. 17th Jan. 6pm.

**Family Carers Ireland** are providing the QQI Level 5 Healthcare Support Award in your area based on demand in February 2017. One Day workshops also available. For more info contact 0579322920.

**Unveiling of Stained-Glass Windows in Adoration Room**

*this Thursday morning 19th January after 10.00am Mass.*

The two windows recalls an incident from the hidden life of Jesus which takes place in the temple of Jerusalem and which is only told in Luke's Gospel: Mary and Joseph find Jesus with the teachers in the temple. This is Luke's account of the incident:

*Every year his parents used to go to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up for the feast as usual. When the days of the feast were over and they set off home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem without his parents knowing it. They assumed he was somewhere in the party, and it was only after a day's journey that they went to look for him among their relations and acquaintances. When they failed to find him they went back to Jerusalem looking for him everywhere. It happened that, three days later, they found him in the Temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them, and asking them questions; and all those who heard him were astounded at his intelligence and his replies. They were overcome when they saw him, and his mother said to him, 'My child, why have you done this to us? See how worried your father and I have been, looking for you.' He replied, 'Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' But they did not understand what he meant.*

**First Communion Parents Group** meets tomorrow, Monday, in Parish Office 7.30pm.  
*Next Celebration: Sunday 22nd January 11am.*

**Congratulations and Best Wishes to** Conor Conaghan & Celine Quigley who were married recently

**Thank you**  
A sincere thank you to all who contributed to the recent Church Gate Collection for the Pro-Life Trust, and to the collectors. Total €465.10. A Novena of Masses is offered.

- **Sunday 15th January 2017: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle A**
- **Weekday Readings: Second Week of Ordinary Time Cycle 1**
- **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 18th to 25th January**

**Saturday 14th January: 07.00pm** - Mary Brogan (Anniversary)  
Bridie Fobister (Anniversary)  
Noel Cahill (Anniversary)  
John & Rosaleen Melly (Anniversaries)

**Sunday 15th January: 09.00am** - Arthur Kee (Anniversary)  
**11.00am** - Annie McGuinness (4th Anniversary)

**Monday 16th January: 10.00am** - Mary Ann O'Boyle R.I.P.

**Tuesday 17th January: 10.00am** - Special Intentions

**Wednesday 18th January: 07.00pm** - Teresa & Joe McBrearty (Anniversaries)

**Thursday 19th January: 10.00am** - Special Intention

**Friday 20th January: 10.00am** - Special intention

**Saturday 21st January: 07.00pm** - Charles McCahill (Anniversary)  
Katie McBrearty (Anniversary)  
Deceased members of the Ward family

**Sunday 22nd January: 09.00am** - Tommy Murphy (Anniversary)  
**11.00am** - Rose (1st) and Charlie Boyle (Anniversaries)

**Adoration:** Sunday 6pm - Monday Midnight **Confessions:** Saturday 6.30pm.  
**Rosary/Divine Mercy:** Tuesday **6.30pm**, in the Adoration Room.

**Pray for those who died recently: Daniel Harkin, who died in England on Monday (brother of Mary Harkin, Stragar). Pray for: Rose Rowan, David Love, Paddy Keeney, Sonny Daly. Suaimhneas Storaí**

**Information Evening**

Cllr Niamh Kennedy will hold an Information Evening for the communities on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January in the Bay View Hotel at 8pm. If there are any topics you would like discussed publicly contact Niamh: kennedyniamhm@gmail.com / 087 2062336  
Topics will include Tourism, Tidy Towns, Fundraising/ funding sources, Village Enhancement ideas. All welcome.

**Fully Funded Courses commencing soon in the School of Tourism**

*Certificate in Marine Tourism and Seafood Fundamentals* starts 25th January.  
1 day a week (Wednesday) for 13 weeks.  
*Certificate in Culinary Skills* requires attendance at college Tuesdays & Thursdays starts Tues 24th Jan.  
Apply through [www.springboardcourses.ie](http://www.springboardcourses.ie) before 18th January. For more info contact Donna Mulligan: Tel: 074-9186613/9186600 / donna.mulligan@lyit.ie

**Niall Mór Centre 074 97 41863**

*southwestdonegalcdpl@gmail.com & Facebook Killybegs Walk and Talk Group:* Thursdays 10am.  
*Citizens Advice/Info:* Mondays 10am - 12:30pm.  
*Scrabble Morning:* Monday 10.30am-12:00, €2pp.  
*Basket-making Workshop:* Held on a weekend in January, to be confirmed. If interested ring Centre.  
*Eileen McGonigle Yoga:* 8 week course from Wed 18th Jan, 9:30am - 10:45am €80 payable on the first morning. To enrol call Eileen on 086 8443838.

**Blessed Sacrament Adoration**

15th January - Christine Smith  
22nd January - Brendan O'Keeney

**Sunday Collections** € 1,725.00  
**Restoration Fund**  
Envelopes 7th & 8th January €1,632.00  
Ton of Mackerel €1,000.00  
**Total Restoration Fund: €2,651,406.78**

Thanks for your continued generosity.

**Margaret Connell**, Foot Health Practitioner, will attend the Family Health Centre, Wed. 18th January. Appointments tel: 087 1417180.

**The Youth Project and Drop-In Centre**

Thanks to collectors and to all who donated to Church Gate Collection. €1,258 was raised.  
All Groups in the Centre resumes this week:  
*Mondays:* 1st year group 4pm-5.30pm  
*Tuesdays:* Junior Men's Sheds 5pm -7pm  
*Wednesdays:* Guitar lessons beginners 4pm-5pm & Improvers 5pm-6pm  
*Thursdays:* New 2nd year group from 19th Jan.  
*Fun Day* Friday 3.30-5.30pm.  
*Youth Participation Group* starts 20th Jan 4.30-6pm  
*Friday Night Drop-In* 6pm-9pm.  
If you are aged 12-18 and would like to join call up or call 086 8579839.