

## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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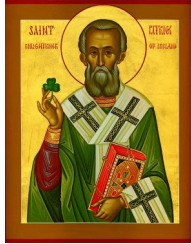


### Feast of St. Patrick: Monday 17th March Lá Fhéile Pádraig

Masses: 7pm (Vigil), 9am & 11am

Irish Dancers, from the Bonner-Cannon School of Dancing, will be at 7pm & 11am Masses

*Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig Oraibh Uilig  
Wishing everyone, from near and far,  
A Happy St. Patrick's Day.*



#### The Prayer of St Patrick for his people:

*May the Strength of God guide us.  
May the Power of God preserve us.  
May the Wisdom of God instruct us.  
May the Hand of God protect us.  
May the Way of God direct us.  
May the Shield of God defend us.  
May the Angels of God guard us.  
Against the snares of the evil one.  
May Christ be with us!  
May Christ be before us!  
May Christ be in us,  
Christ be over all!  
May your Grace, Lord,  
Always be ours,  
This day, O Lord, and forevermore. Amen.*

#### Entrance Hymn: Hail Redeemer, King Divine

Hail Redeemer! King divine!  
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine,  
King, whose reign shall never cease,  
Prince of everlasting peace.

*Angels, saints and nations sing:  
Praised be Jesus Christ, our King:  
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,  
King of love on Calvary.*

Eucharistic King, what love  
Draws thee daily from above,  
Clad in signs of bread and wine,  
Feed us, lead us, keep us thine. (Chorus)

#### The Cross of Suffering

We invite you to write a name or an intention, personal or global, on the Intentions Sheet provided, which will be remembered collectively at all Masses for the remainder of Lent. By putting your concerns into words and placing them into the Box of Suffering, we pray that your Cross of Suffering will be transformed into a Beacon of Light through the healing power of God. The box will be placed at the foot of the Cross on Good Friday, remaining unopened until its contents will be placed in the Easter Fire on Holy Saturday Night, praying that the Risen Christ will bring hope and healing to all who are suffering.



#### The Season of Lent 2025

Trócaire Boxes are now available.

This year focuses on Guatemala, a country which is one of the least responsible for causing the climate crisis, yet is bearing the brunt of the consequences. [trocaire.org](http://trocaire.org).

Walk With Me: A Lenten Journey of Prayer €2.



#### Killybegs St Patrick's Day Parade

Monday 17th March, 3pm.

Killybegs Community Council welcomes anyone wishing to take part to be at the Vocational School by 2.30pm. There are great prizes of €350 for the best float and €150 for the runner up. Please come out and join us for a great celebration!

#### Celebration of First Confession

Tuesday 25th March 7pm  
(Practice: Thursday 20th March, 11am)

Parish Choir Practice Tuesday 7.15pm

#### Entrance Hymn: God of Mercy and Compassion

God of mercy and compassion,  
Lord of life and blinding light,  
Truth whom creatures would refashion,  
Force on us the gift of sight.

*Truth insistent and demanding,  
Love resented and ignored,  
Life beyond all understanding,  
Give us peace and pardon, Lord.*

Lord who out of love consented,  
To the worst that we could do:  
Lord abandoned and tormented,  
Let us love and suffer too. (Chorus)

♦ Sunday 16th March 2025: Second Sunday of Lent Year C

♦ Weekday Readings: Second Week of Lent Cycle 1

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

**Friday** 14th March: 10.00am - Gerry McCallig (15th Anniversary)  
**Saturday** 15th March: 07.00pm - Lil & Con Kennedy (Anniversaries)  
Margaret McGuinness, Main St (10th Anniversary)  
Pat Quinn (17th Anniversary)  
Paddy Haughey (27th Anniversary)  
Eileen, Neil, Liam, Patrick John & Kim Hegarty & Thomas Sheridan (Anniversaries)  
Bridgit O'Hara (7th Anniversary)  
Rose & Charlie Conwell (Anniversaries)

**Sunday** 16th March: 09.00am - Special Intentions  
11.00am - Pat O'Callaghan (15th Anniversary)  
07.00pm - Special Intentions

**Monday** St Patrick's Day  
17th March: 09.00am - Special Intentions  
11.00am - Cassie O'Donnell (13th Anniversary)

**Tuesday** 18th March: 10.00am - Baby Matthew Sheehan (4th Anniversary)

**Thursday** 20th March: 10.00am - Special Intention

**Friday** 21st March: 10.00am - Kate Kennedy (Anniversary)

**Saturday** 22nd March: 07.00pm - Annie & James Byrne (Anniversaries)  
Virginia Bowden (Anniversary)

**Sunday** 23rd March: 09.00am - Special Intention  
11.00am - Cahil McLaughlin (60th Anniversary)

No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Public Holiday Monday

Pray for: **Bernadette Donaghue**, Inisheer, who died recently (sister of Gerry Faherty, The Diamond);

**John Sheirdan**, whose funeral took place on Monday in Bruckless;

Pray for: Casimir Carr, Colm Carr. **Suaimhneas Sioraí.**

#### Liturgy of the Word for Children

- Sunday 23rd March 11am
- Sunday 6th April 11am



**Sunday Collection** 9th March €1,140.00

**Maintenance Fund** 9th March €1,355.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

**The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** has added another date to this year's Pilgrimage due to demand. 18th - 23rd May from Dublin. €925. To book contact Joe Walsh Tours on 01 2410800.

#### Slieve League Special Needs Support Group

Meets Thursday 20th March 7.30pm in Aislann.

#### Congratulations to Niall Mór N.S. Quiz Team

who followed up their recent success of winning the county Cumann na mBunscol quiz by winning the County Garda Quiz this week.

A fantastic achievement! Best wishes to Eoghan Boyle, Conor Conaghan, Hugh Leslie and Cian McMonagle on Sunday, 23rd March in Tullamore as they represent both the school & county in the All-Ireland Cumann na mBunscol Final.

#### 25 Card Drive: In memory of John 'Big Francie'

Gallagher in Bay View Hotel on Thursday 20th March at 7.30pm in aid of Donegal Hospital and Spina Bifida. All players welcome. 087 9440257.

#### The Society of St Vincent De Paul (SVP)

Please consider volunteering with SVP and become part of the largest charitable organisation in the country. Offering a little bit of help at the right time can give people hope for the future.

SVP will host a drop-in information meeting in **Community Centre, Dunkineely, on Wednesday 19th March 7pm-8pm** for people interested in joining SVP conferences in Killybegs and local areas. For more info t: Orla Beirne 087 775 7426 or email: [orla.beirne@svp.ie](mailto:orla.beirne@svp.ie)

#### Pilgrimage To Poland 2025

Fr Eamonn Kelly will lead a pilgrimage to Krakow, 26th -26th August . €995. For more info Tel: 057 9355050 Email: [info@myriam.ie](mailto:info@myriam.ie)

#### Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration Knock National Pilgrimage 2025

Evening Session: Saturday 5th April 7pm-9.30pm  
Pilgrimage Day: Sunday 6th April 10.30am - 5pm  
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