## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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#### Sunday 17th January 2016: World Day of Migrants and Refugees

"Inspired by the example and words of Jesus Christ, 'The Gospel of Mercy', Jesus told us that the Father stoops to help those overcome by physical or moral poverty; the more serious their condition, the more powerfully is his divine mercy revealed." (Pope Francis). This involves:

- bowing down to the dust from which the poor try to raise their heads, helping them to stand upright and join a common struggle to inherit the earth.
- A measure of justice has to be guaranteed. The absence of this justice is the main cause of the cruel conflicts endemic to some of our countries, especially in the developing countries. We have to become aware of the immense damage to life in the form of millions of refugees and displaced people. They are the consequence of the forced resettlement by some regimes in order to wage war more freely, of the indiscriminate bombing of non-combatant civilians, of the unbearable atmosphere of terror.
- "Mercy nourishes and strengthens solidarity towards others... in welcoming the stranger, we open our doors to God, and in the face of others we see the face of Christ himself". (Pope Francis)
- "The Church stands at the side of all who work to defend each person's right to live with dignity, by exercising the right not to emigrate & to the development of one's country of origin" (Pope Francis)
- The plight of the migrants, refugees and asylum seekers lays claim to every heart and every conscience.

The Raphoe Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Group

## First Communion 'Do This In Memory'

Next celebration today Sunday, 17th January, 11am.

## KILLYBEGS EMPLOYMENT PROJECT LTD

Positions available on DSP Community Employment.

- Caretaker/Front Desk Niall Mór Centre

  Duties: Opening and closing of Centre, Daily Cleaning of centre, setting up rooms for various events, manning front desk deal with visitors, man the phones, organise mail.
- Administration/Front Desk Niall Mór Centre Duties: accounts, word-processing, deal with queries, visitors, training courses.
- General Worker/Gardener St. Mary's Parish Duties: Maintaining landscaped gardens, planting, pruning, mowing, strimming, weed-control, litter-control, moss-control, general maintenance interior and exterior of parish buildings and cleaning church as required.
- Activities Co-ordinator Killybegs Hospital
  Duties: Co-ordinate a range of activities for hospital
  patients and Day Centre visitors, arts and crafts, games,
  conversing, reading, and assist with arranging various
  events and outings.

Eligibility to participate on CE is generally linked to those who are 25 years of age or over and in receipt of an Irish social welfare payment for 1 year or more.

Applications to the Project Office at the Foresters Hall: kepltd1@eircom.net / 0749731666

## **Last Man Standing**

There were 200 entries for this Football
Competition in aid of The Restoration Fund.
The first round of matches were played last
Tuesday & Wednesday and, in line with
Premiership results this season, there were
plenty of surprises. There are only 36
competitors still standing. Their names, and
their remaining selections, are posted on our
website and in the Parish Office window and in
the church porch. We are grateful to everyone
who submitted an entry. The unpredictable
nature of this year's premiership meant an
early exit for so many. The 2nd round of
matches is on this Saturday/Sunday/Monday.
Good luck to the select few!

#### Society of St Vincent de Paul

Sincere thanks to all who supported our work over the past year, all those who gave generous donations over Christmas and contributed to our Special Collection which was €1325.

Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes Church Gate Collection 23rd / 24th January

Lenten Retreat at Ards Friary 12th-14th Feb. Cost: €140 Residential, €80 Non-Residential Tel: 074 9138909 / info@ardsfriary.ie Sunday 17th January 2016: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle C
 Weekday Readings: Second Week in Ordinary Time Cycle 2

Saturday 16th January: 07.00pm - Mary Brogan (Anniversary)

Arthur Kee (Anniversary) Mary Glen (Anniversary)

Sunday 17th January: 09.00am - Tommy Murphy (Anniversary)

11.00am - Noel Cahill (Anniversary)

Monday 18th January: 10.00am - Michael Hugh & Patrick Byrne (Anniversaries)

**07.00pm** - Betty Haughey R.I.P.

Tuesday
Thursday
19th January: 10.00am - Paddy & Annie Carrabin (Anniversaries)
21st January: 10.00am - Josephine Haughey (Month's Mind Mass)

Friday 22nd January: 10.00am - Rose Boyle (Month's Mind Mass)
Saturday 23rd January: 07.00pm - Charles McCahill (Anniversary)

Sunday 24th January: 09.00am - Hughie & Justine McGuinness (Anniversaries) 11.00am - Katie McBrearty & Con McBrearty (Anniversaries)

Adoration: Sunday 6pm to Monday Midnight. Confessions: Saturdays 6.30pm.

Thursday: Feast of St Agnes. Please Note: No Mass on Wednesday; Mass on Thursday 10am.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins on Monday 18th January.

**Pray for those who died recently: Betty Haughey,** who died in Glasgow recently (aunt-in-law of Teresa McClafferty & Danny Haughey); **Irene Boyle**, whose Funeral Mass took place on Friday in Arranmore (mother of Colum Boyle, Carricknagore). **Pray for:** David Love, Paddy Keeney, Minnie Murrin, Mary Cassidy, Ernie & Nora Jones, Charlie Boyle, Ballyara. **Suaimhneas Síoraí**.

#### Yoga Detox Workshop

With Lynda Gregg (skyblueyoga.com) Niall Mór Centre, Saturday 23rd January 10.30am - 3.30pm. Immediate booking 074 9741863

Margaret Connell, Foot Health Practitioner, will attend the Family Health Centre on Wednesday 20th January. For appointments tel: 087 1417180.

Killybegs Coast Guard will hold a Recruitment Day on Saturday 30th Jan from 2-5pm. All interested parties, over 18 years of age, are welcome to attend. Contact killybegscoastguard@hotmail.com if interested and you can't make it on the day.

Thanks to all who contributed and helped at the Christmas Table Quiz. €1250 raised for Cancer Bus.

**Fintra N.S. Hall** available to run classes etc for evenings/weekends. Contact Mai 074 9731668.

Killybegs and Districts, Game Preservation and Clay Pigeon Club Winners of Christmas Draw: 1st: Conal O'Donnell; 2nd: Aishling Byrne; 3rd: Maria Ward, Inver. Christmas Charity Shoot: Raised €400 for Gena Herity Haiti Fund.

## **Lourdes Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage**

May 22nd - 27th 2016 Led by Bishop Boyce. 5 nights full board accommodation €699pp. For more info tel: 074 9125090 Mon - Fri: 10.30am - 2.30pm

**Pilgrimage to Poland** 7th September 2016 for 6 nights. €869pp. Email: info@joewalshtours.ie

#### **Blessed Sacrament Adoration**

17th January - Marian Breslin 24th January - Caroline O'Gorman

**Sunday Collection** € 1,430.00 **Restoration Fund:** Envelopes 9th & 10th January € 1,611.00 Donations € 1,270.00 Last Man Standing € 1.500.00 Tax Rebate € 11,515.85 Ton of Mackerel € 5,000.00 Murillo Donation € 10.00 **Total Restoration Fund:** €2,509,165.78

#### Donegal ETB Further Education & Training Fair 2016 – Mt Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny, Wednesday 20th January 11am – 3pm. Open and free to all adults. Tel: 0749178088

Yoga classes 14th Jan in Niall Mór Centre Beginners/level 1 at 7.30-8.45pm Improvers/ Level 2 at 6.00-7.15pm To book text/call Zia on 087 6463956

# Having a birthday party? Look no further! Killybegs International Carpet Making and

Fishing Centre have all the facilities you need! Call for more info: 074-9741944

Water Aerobics Classes in Bay View Hotel Tuesdays 11–11.45am;Thursdays 7.30–8.15pm. For more info tel: 074 9731950

**Rosary & Divine Mercy** Tuesday 6.30pm in Adoration Room. All welcome.