

## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

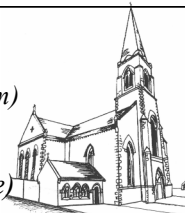
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**Masses and Services:** Live streaming [www.mcnmedia.tv](http://www.mcnmedia.tv) (*link on website*)



### When Love Chooses You

*Part 3, the final part, of a series of reflections for the month of July taken from 'At Your Side' by Raymond Friel & David Wells.*

Jesus transformed the world for ever with one word: "Mary", he said, and she knew in that moment that the world would never be the same. He walked with those who were depressed on the road and their hearts burst into flames of joy. He appeared to Thomas and gave him the evidence his logic longed for. There will be an end to tears of sorrow. Death is no longer the end. Now there would always be hope for the world. He could have returned angry with the world, to seek revenge for all the wrong they did to him. But he didn't. **He chose forgiveness, showed us his hands and his side and then he offered us his peace.**

Who will be his disciples now? God can choose those who are successful, powerful and popular. But supposing none of that really impresses God at all. Supposing everything they ever achieved was his gift anyway. Suppose that today, God is choosing you. Suppose that who Jesus lived for, who he stood for, who he died for, and who he rose again for, is you. Suppose his loving Father is your loving Father, And suppose he loves you, just as you are, so that you would never have to prove yourself. To anyone. Ever again. Women and men of the Church, today love chooses you. **Lord, it is not enough to know about you, come into my life. Choose me.**

In the words of Pope Francis:  
*I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them;  
I ask all of you to do this unflinchingly each day.  
No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her; since 'no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord'.*

### Graveyard Week

Just like last year, we are making alternative arrangements for the Graveyard Mass. We suggest having a Graveyard Week, Friday 30th July to Friday 6th August. During these 8 days all who are buried in the graveyard will be remembered at all Masses and you are encouraged to pay a visit to the graveyard during that period and bless the graves of your loved ones. Holy Water bottles will be freely available, along with a special Prayer of Blessing. Fr Colm will also, during that week, have a Service of Blessing at the graveyard, remembering all the deceased, especially those who died during the past year. It will be posted on killybegsonline.org While maintaining the graves of your loved ones, please ensure all excess material is removed from the graveyard. A skip is now in place for that purpose (for graveyard use only). **Lord, those we remember never die. They continue to walk and talk with us. Their influence is still felt among us.**

### 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 **50** guests in the chapel (zones do not apply).  
**Baptisms** restricted to parents, child and siblings, godparents & grandparents.  
**Sacrament of Confirmation** We will arrange a new date as soon as it is feasible to do so.  
**First Holy Communion:** Sat. 18th September.  
**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 18th July 2021: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year B**
- ◆ **Weekday Readings: Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time: Cycle 1**

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

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>17th July:</b>	<b>07.00pm -</b>	Daniel Byrne (Anniversary) William Hamilton (Anniversary) Michael Rawdon (2nd Anniv) /deceased family members
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>18th July:</b>	<b>09.00am -</b> <b>11.00am -</b>	Charlie & Margaret Murrin (Anniversaries) Brian Harvey R.I.P. (Month's Mind Mass)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>19th July:</b>	<b>10.00am -</b>	Tommy & Nana Mc Nulty (Anniversaries)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>20th July:</b>	<b>10.00am -</b>	Special Intention
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>22nd July:</b>	<b>10.00am -</b>	John (60th Anniv.) & Maggie (21st Anniv.) Cannon & deceased family members
<b>Friday</b>	<b>23rd July:</b>	<b>07.00pm -</b>	Special Intentions
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>24th July:</b>	<b>07.00pm -</b>	John Paul & Agatha Mc Guinness (Anniversaries) & deceased family members Dean John Kennedy (Anniversary) Sean Mc Guinness (20th Anniversary)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>25th July:</b>	<b>09.00am -</b> <b>11.00am -</b>	Special Intentions Annie & John F. Mc Brearty & deceased family members

**Pray for: Joe Barry** whose funeral was in Kilmore, Wexford, on Tuesday (father of Elaine Smith, Park Head). **Pray for: Michael Mc Hugh** (40th Anniv.), Sr Muriel, Timmy Morgan. **Suaímhneas Sioraí**



**Congratulations & Best Wishes to**  
*Éilis Knight & Ross Smith*  
who were married here recently.



*Your willingness to look at your darkness is what empowers you to change*

Iyanla Vanzant

### Killybegs Employment Project vacancies:

Domestic Worker/Activities	Killybegs
Craft shop Retail & Accounts Assistant	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
Bar Assistant	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

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

**Áislann Chill Chartha 0749738376**  
*Áislann Health and Fitness Suite* open Monday to Friday 10am to 8.30pm. Open to current and new members and casual visits. Booking System in operation.  
*Áislann Riverside Takeaway* open Wednesday to Saturday 5-9pm; Sunday 2-7pm.  
*Snooker Room* available for individual play, booking essential.

### 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 1 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).*