

## 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)



**The Sacrament of Confirmation**  
 will be celebrated this Thursday 23rd March 6pm.  
 We welcome Bishop Alan for this celebration.  
 Please pray for God's blessing on the 40 young people being confirmed and on their families.

Each family has been designated one seat which means that numbers are strictly limited and the church will not be able to accommodate anyone else.  
 Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated

**The Blind See**  
 Forty-five million are like me in the world,  
 for I am without sight.  
 You say I am blind; I say I see differently.  
 Your eyes may be green or blue;  
 my eyes are instinct and intuition.

You may imagine I am a recluse from life;  
 but today I crossed a street,  
 bought a jumper, picked fruit and got a bus to yoga.

You suggest my world must be silent;  
 but I can sense a sound before it is even made.  
 I hear behind me and around corners;  
 I judge distance by echo, urgency by octave,  
 and trust by how a stranger stands next to me.  
 When you speak I fall into your voice  
 for your tone and intention;  
 and I know how you're feeling  
 by how the words leave your lips.

Touch. Touch is my lover, my heartbeat,  
 my proof that I am real and exist.  
 Touch is a world I live in deeply and intensely.  
 And to touch music on a dance floor with you,  
 is a more intimate seeing than any sight.

Yours is a life with images;  
 mine is a life beyond darkness.  
 Any lament?  
 Only one.  
 How little the sighted see.

Fr David Keating

**Turkey/ Syria Earthquakes Fund**  
 Unicef acknowledges our generous donation of €1,240.75 and Irish Jesuits International our generous donation of €1,100.  
 Acknowledgements on notice board.

**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.  
 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 and to all for whom we pray.



**Congratulations to all who were baptised recently & welcomed into the Catholic Christian Community**

Jesse Robert Molloy  
 Theodore Arthur Keeney  
 Luca Brendan O'Keeney  
 Ailbhe Patricia Gallagher  
 Frank Mekangsakille  
 Joseph Michael Sheehan  
 Conal Patrick Molloy  
 Callie Joyce Classon  
 Finn Gallagher Byrne  
 Ruadh Jack O'Donnell  
 Leo Lee  
 Esme Kennedy  
 Elsie Sile Molloy  
 Sonny James Molloy  
 Zarah Mari McKeown  
 Lauren Christina Connolly  
 Maggie Gallagher

◆ **Sunday 19th March 2023:** Fourth Sunday of Lent Year A  
 ◆ **Weekday Readings:** Fourth Week of Lent  
Masses will be relayed on the webcam: go to [killybegsparish.com](http://killybegsparish.com) for a link to Online Services

**Saturday 18th March:** 01.00pm - Funeral Mass of Irene Mc Crudden R.I.P.  
 07.00pm - Peter Callaghan (1st Anniversary)  
 Seamus Callaghan (3rd Anniversary)  
 Baby Matthew Sheehan (2nd Anniversary)  
 John & Helen McBrearty (Anniversaries)  
 Jim & Katie McBrearty (Anniversaries)

**Sunday 19th March:** 09.00am - Special Intentions  
 11.00am - Pat Quinn (12th Anniversary)

**Monday 20th March:** 10.00am - Annie Byrne R.I.P.

**Tuesday 21st March:** 10.00am - Bridgit O'Hara (5th Anniversary)

**Thursday 23rd March:** 06.00pm - *Sacrament of Confirmation*

**Friday 24th March:** 07.00pm - Baby Maria Gallagher (7th Anniversary)

**Saturday 25th March:** 07.00pm - Margaret Mary Rowan-Mackie (9th Anniversary)  
 Margaret Mc Guinness (8th Anniversary)  
 Brendan & Sheila Hickey & deceased members of the Mc Guinness & Cunningham families

**Sunday 26th March:** 09.00am - Michael Ó Tuairisg (Anniversary)  
 11.00am - John Curran (Anniversary)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Mondays 11am - 7pm.

**Pray for: Irene Mc Crudden, Belfast & Ballyara, whose Funeral Mass takes place today Saturday 1pm**  
**Virginia Bowden, Donegal Rd, whose funeral took place on Thursday;**  
**Mairead Cunningham, Funeral Mass in Carrick today Saturday 1pm (mother of Ronan Cunningham).**  
**Pray for: Annie Brennan, Casimir & Colm Carr. Suaimhneas Stóraí.**

**Sunday Social** in Dunkineely Community Centre on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 8-10pm. Music: Eddie Gallagher & Anne McGrory. €10. Refreshments.

**Sunday Collection** 12th March € 986.50  
**Restoration Fund** 12th March € 1,063.60  
 Thank you for your continued generosity.

**Relic of St Maria Faustina Kowalska**  
 for veneration in St Mary's Church, Convoy, Sunday 19th March 2pm - 5pm. All welcome.

**Parish Choir Practice** Monday 7.15pm

**Fintra National School Hall Available for Hire**  
 outside school hours for suitable activities, camps or classes. For info: 074 9731668 [info@fintrans.ie](mailto:info@fintrans.ie)  
 Includes: Indoor area, Outdoor area, Toilets, Kitchenette, Car park, Outside lighting.

**Cursillo** Renewal weekend in Ards 24th March. For info / to book tel: Clare 087 1375567 / Pat 087 9374001

**Thank You** Beaumont Hospital Foundation acknowledges with thanks the receipt of €1000 which was raised through a fund-raising Table Quiz on behalf of Joe McBrearty and St. Clare's Ward Beaumont Hospital. The McBrearty family is grateful to all who supported the quiz and to those who gave donations.

**Tir Boghaine** Gathering for parents with a child with Sensory/Intellectual disability, Autism Spectrum Disorder or Delayed Communication on Tuesday 21st March 8.30pm in Aislann Chill Chartha. [tirboghaine@gmail.com](mailto:tirboghaine@gmail.com) /086 1734497

**Wanted** House to Rent for family of 3 in Killybegs. Please contact Parish Office 0749731013

**Aislann Chill Chartha 0749738376**  
**Active Age Morning** 30th March 11am with a demonstration of games for maintaining mobility.  
**First Aid Courses** now taking names  
**Whist group** is looking for new members  
**Bowls** Tuesdays, new members welcome  
**Cultural Awareness** 1st April Family Fun Day  
**Bootcamp** Wednesday 22nd March 6.20am

**Knock Shrine** A bus on Saturday 25th March from Donegal Town. Prayers of Healing & Mass. For more info please call 087 7530132

**Public Mass and the Sacraments**  
 Please use hand sanitiser.  
 Face covering at your discretion