

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

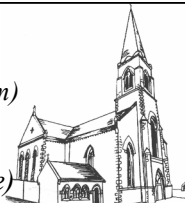
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Masses and Services: Live streaming www.mcmedia.tv (*link on website*)



First Communion Gratitude

The Celebration of First Holy Communion on Saturday 11th May was a memorable and joyful occasion for the 38 children who received the Bread of Life for the first time. Our congratulations to the 20 girls and 18 boys who took an active and enthusiastic part in the preparations and celebrations, encouraged and assisted by their parents, by their teachers, by the school and parish community. It was a real international gathering, people travelling from far & wide to be there. Special thanks to múinteoirí Mary, Emer, Laura, Karen and Majella, and to Special Needs Assistants Mary, Heather, Mairead, Glenda, Marie & Dolores and to the Parents Liturgy Group who played an important role throughout the year. The singing and music greatly enhanced the celebration. The Junior Choir, all 50 members, under the direction of Ann O'Donnell, played a blinder, accompanied by Sara O'Donnell. The young singers excelled: Kelly McGinley, Dearbhla Diver, Lauren McHugh and Jenna Curran and Éabha McGuinness (violin). The Senior Choir, with Maeve McGowan, supported them so well. Our sincere thanks to all concerned.

The party at Foresters Hall is always a winner and thanks to the team who arranged the Hall and helped with the refreshments and looked after the party. We had a capacity crowd. Our thanks also to Foresters Hall. Thanks to Ann, Parish Secretary, who coordinated matters and to Patricia, Sacristan, for seeing to everything in the church. Our thanks to the Altar Society, Legion of Mary, Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar Servers, Photographers, Video Operators and School Secretaries for all their help. We are grateful to members of Killybegs Employment Project who look after the Church: Richard, keeping the Church grounds in great shape, and Jackie & Marzena keeping the interior of the Church in pristine condition. The celebrations on Saturday & Sunday were uplifting and joyful and appreciated by all.

Killybegs Employment Project Ltd.

Positions available on our CE Project: *Youth Worker General Worker/Gardener* – St. Mary's Parish Killybegs *General Workers* – Killybegs Area *Visitor Centre Tour Guide and Administration Domestic Worker/Senior & Youth Activities* Eligibility to participate on CE is generally linked to those who are 21 years of age or over and in receipt of a DSP payment for 1 year or more. Applications to Employment Services Officer, Eugene.burns@welfare.ie 0749740068 / Colin/Ann Marie 0749731666

Prayer for Exams

Dear Lord, as I approach these exams, I thank you that my value is not based on my performance, but on your great love for me. Come into my heart so that we can walk through this time together. Help me, not only with this test, but the many tests of life that are sure to come my way. As I take these exams, bring back to my mind everything I studied and be gracious with what I have overlooked. Help me to remain focussed and calm, confident in the facts and in my ability, and firm in the knowledge that no matter what happens you are there with me.

Mass at the Drawer Mass Rock

Wednesday 5th June 7pm

Board of Management Meeting

Fintra N.S. Monday 20th May 5pm.

Summer Dates

Graveyard Mass Friday 26th July 7pm
Blessing of the Fleet Mass Sat 27th July 7pm

Lough Derg Pilgrimage Season 2019
Three Day Pilgrimage begins 31st May.
[www.loughderg.org / 0719861518](http://www.loughderg.org/)

Rosary at the Immaculate Heart Grotto,
Fintra Rd each day in May 8pm. All welcome.
The Outdoor May Rosary will be prayed at
Church Rd on Wednesday 22nd May 7pm.

National Day of Reparation & Repentance
St Patrick's Church, Donegal Town
Sat 25th May 2 - 4.15pm with Mass at 3.15pm.

Public Information Meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous Pastoral Centre, Monastery Drive, Letterkenny on Thursday 23rd May at 7.30pm. Refreshments served. All welcome.

Cross Border Jobs Fair
Cross Border Jobs Fair on Thursday 30th May in the Abbey Hotel, Donegal Town, 2pm-8pm. A large number of employers will be in attendance and they will have a number of job offers available. Admission is free.

- **Sunday 19th May 2019:** *Fifth Sunday of Easter* *Cycle C*
- **Weekday Readings:** *Fifth Week of Easter*

Saturday 18th May: 07.00pm - Bridie & Frank Kennedy (Anniversaries) John & Susan McGuinness & deceased family members.
Sunday 19th May: 09.00am - Eugene McGuinness (Month's Mind Mass)
11.00am - Paidin (10th) & Ann O'Donnell (2nd) (Anniversaries) and deceased members of the O'Donnell families
Monday 20th May: 10.00am - Special Intentions
Tuesday 21st May: 10.00am - Special Intentions
Thursday 23rd May: 10.00am - Special Intention
Friday 24th May: 10.00am - Special Intention
Saturday 25th May: 07.00pm - Ann & John Frame (Anniversaries)
Sunday 26th May: 09.00am - Special Intentions
11.00am - Margaret (2nd) & Connell McBrearty (Anniversaries)

Adoration: Sunday 6pm - Monday Midnight

Confessions: Saturday 6.30pm

Rosary/ Divine Mercy Adoration Room Tues 6.45pm - 7.45pm

Pray for: Danny Heekin, Ballyara, Fintra, whose funeral took place yesterday (Saturday). Suaimhneas Siorai.

Community First Responder

An Information Night for setting up a Community First Responder Group in Killybegs Wednesday 29th May in Bayview Hotel at 7.30pm. Full training and ongoing support will be given. Contact Miriam 0872374630.

Killybegs Cruise Ships Tuesday 21st May:
MS Astor, 8am - 6pm. Passengers 620, Crew 278
MS Silver Cloud. Passengers 296, Crew 185
A Craft Fair upstairs in Bay View Hotel.

Foresters Active Retirement Trip Away
on Wednesday 22nd May, leaving the Hall at 10am. Book your place as soon as possible.

The Foresters Tea Dance in the Hall on Wednesday 29th May, from 3pm. Music by Shane Shovelin. Admission €10.

Killybegs Tidy Towns Lough Head Clean-Up
Sunday 19th May 11am (to suit tides). We would appreciate as much help as possible.

Tír Boghaine Teo A.G.M in the Niall Mór Centre Tuesday 21st May 7pm. All welcome.

Niall Mór Centre 9741863 Ring to book a place.. SOOC Programme: Shaping Ourselves and Our Children, Thurs 30th May, 9.45 - 1.45pm, 4 weeks. *Reflexology by Marie:* Tel:0876345852 *Killybegs Walking Group:* Mondays at 10.30am, €2. *Kids Summer Camps:* Kids Drama Camp by the Balor Theatre, Kids Active Gymnass & Bricks 4 Kidz

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

19th May - Patricia Boyle
26th May - Brendan O'Keeney

Sunday Collection €1,370.00
Restoration Fund €1,350.00
Total Restoration Fund: €3,071,680.43
Thank you for your continued generosity

Social Dance in Dunkineely Community Centre on Sunday 26th May 8 - 10 pm. Music: Oliver Brogan. Adm €7. Refreshments served. All welcome.

Tobar na mBan I.C.A. Craft Fayre
Sunday 26th May, 2-5pm in Aislann, Kilcar. Kiddies' corner, variety of crafts and produce for sale, homemade treats in Pop-Up Tearoom.

Áislann Chill Chartha 0749738376
Family Fun Day on Election Day Friday 24th May 1-4pm. Children €5 / Adults Free

Bluestack Challenge Fundraising Walk,
Saturday 8th June. Register: 074 9740828

Ghleanncholmille

Festival Meeting in Halla Mhuire Mon 27th May at 9pm. Please come and share your ideas. *Community Employment Scheme 2* participants are required for General Workers. Tel: Gerry 9730111, Ellen 9730053 *'The Field'* by John B Keane in Halla Mhuire Saturday 15th June 8pm.