

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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



When My Child is Asleep

Taken from 'At your Side' by Raymond Friel & David Wells



Lord, as I gaze upon this child sleeping peacefully, I feel inadequate. Can I rise to the challenge of loving them into adulthood? Please help me to:

Give this child reasons to believe I am trustworthy. Offer this child more time than luxuries.

Teach this child why something is wrong rather than giving them a rule.

Give this child the words 'please', 'thank you' and 'sorry' and use them.

Paint this child a lasting memory of me smiling.

Be courageous enough to say 'no' sometimes so this child feels safe.

Teach hope and patience by not giving them everything they want.

Show this child the hurt they can cause so that they learn to be compassionate.

Demonstrate pleasure in the ordinary things so that they feel easily content.

Talk naturally to you in front of them so that they learn how to pray.

Show them how easy it is to pick up litter rather than moaning about it.

Care for other people so that they learn to be just.

Allow them to grow up at their pace so they learn to enjoy themselves.

Give them enough freedom not to feel afraid of the world.

Navigate social media with them so they can make good choices.

Teach them your goodness

so that they begin to enjoy you.

Respond to them with mercy first and judgement second.

Give them confidence that love brought them into the world (even if it has failed since).

Show them that I love and respect their grandparents.

When I fail to be the parent I should be, forgive me, guide me and inspire me to better.

Thank you for the trust you have placed in giving us this child, your gift to our lives.

Amen.

Graveyard Week

Graveyard Week began on Friday and continues to Friday 6th August.

During this Graveyard Week, all who are buried in the graveyard will be remembered at all Masses and all the bereaved. You are encouraged to pay a visit to the graveyard and bless the graves of your loved ones. Holy Water bottles are freely available at Scathlán Mhuire, along with a special Prayer of Blessing. Fr Colm conducted a Service of Blessing at the graveyard on Friday, remembering all the deceased, especially those who died during the past year, and all the bereaved.

It is 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 **100** guests in the chapel after the 5th August.

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:

Saturday 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 1st August 2021:** *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year B*

◆ **Weekday Readings:** *Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time: Cycle 1*

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

Saturday	31st July:	07.00pm -	Special Intentions Terence Carry, Bridgid Carry, Angela & Pat Cunningham (Anniversaries)
Sunday	1st August:	09.00am -	Mona (6th) & Aidan (9th) Mc Ginley (Anniversaries)
		11.00am -	Eamonn Curran (30th Anniversary)
Monday	2nd August:	11.00am -	Jenny (2nd Anniversary) & Michael Smith.
Tuesday	3rd August:	10.00am -	Willie & Bridie Hegarty, Anna Marie Murphy, Frank Hegarty & Kieran Hegarty (Anniversaries)
			Susan Byrne (Anniversary)
Thursday	5th August:	10.00am -	Paddy Mc Guinness R.I.P. (Month's Mind Mass)
Friday	6th August:	07.00pm -	May, Charlie & John Mc Gowan (Anniversaries)
Saturday	7th August:	07.00pm -	Dermot & Lena O'Callaghan & Roisin (Anniversaries)
Sunday	8th August:	09.00am -	Pauric Conneely (Anniversary)
		11.00am -	

Please note: Mass on Monday at 11.00am.

Pray for: Patrick Mooney, formerly from Brackey, Ardara & Cavan, whose funeral took place on Thursday in Ardara (brother of Mary B Cunningham, St Catherine's Rd).

Pray for: Josie & Katie McHugh, Bridgid Keeney. *Suaimhneas Síoraí*



Blessing of the Fleet

As Fr. Colm blesses all the ships and boats in Killybegs Harbour, we ask God's blessing on all fishermen and their families, praying for eternal rest on the shores of eternity to all who have been lost at sea and to all the faithful departed.

Sunday Collections	25th July	€ 890.00
Restoration Fund	25th July	€ 975.00
<i>Thank you for your continued generosity</i>		

Killybegs Employment Project vacancies:

Domestic Worker/Activities	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

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

Free Courses for unemployed women in Donegal

WISE – Women's Integration Skills & Employment is a free service for unemployed women in Donegal to assist & support women into education, employment and self-employment. We are offering free Paediatric First Aid, Customer Service and Personal Development courses to women who sign up with WISE. All courses begin in September. First come, first served. For more information contact us: Grainne 086 145 2250, Penny 086 145 2252, Michelle 086 145 2249. WISE is co-funded by the Department of Justice & Equality and the European Social Fund as part of the PEIL Programme 2014-2020.

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

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).*