# St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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#### **First Communion Gratitude**

The Celebration of First Holy Communion on Saturday 13th May was a memorable and joyful occasion for the 31 children who received the Bread of Life for the first time and for their families. Our congratulations to the 14 girls and 17 boys who took an active and enthusiastic part in the preparations and celebrations, encouraged and assisted by their parents, by their teachers and by the school and parish communities. Special thanks to múinteoirí Mary, Emer, Orla, Majella, Nodlaig & Aisling and to Special Needs Assistants Mary, Heather, Cathy, Dona, Dolores,

Mairead & Noreen. We are grateful to the Parents Liturgy Group who played an important role throughout the year preparing the liturgies including Christmas & Holy Week and liasing with the schools





The Senior Choir greatly enhanced the celebration. Our sincere thanks to all concerned, including musicians Celine, Frank & Iuliia. The young singers excelled: Roisin O'Donnell, Lauren McHugh, Chloe McGinty, Orlaith McGing, Aimee & Lauren Hegarty. The Junior Choir, all 27 members, under the direction of Ann O'Donnell, played a blinder, accompanied by Sara O'Donnell. The party at Foresters Hall was much appreciated. Our thanks to the team of volunteers who arranged the Hall and helped with the refreshments and looked after the party. Our thanks to Foresters Hall and to Kelly.

Thanks to Ann, Parish Secretary, who coordinated matters and to Patricia, Sacristan, for seeing to everything in the church. Our thanks to school secretaries Mai, Maureen & Tracey for all their help and to the Legion of Mary, Minister of the Eucharist, photographer Brian Campbell & video operator Plunkett Smith. We are grateful to Lawrence from Killybegs Employment Project for keeping the Church grounds in great shape and Siobhán for keeping the interior of the Church in pristine condition. Thanks to Brid Murphy for her gardening expertise.

It was an uplifting and joyful celebration appreciated by all. May the Lord bless everyone for their endeavours.

### Mass at Carrickataggart Mass Rock Wednesday 7th June 7pm



## **An Exam Prayer**

Lord, I know you are with me and love me. Give me peace of mind as I prepare for this time of

Help me to focus on my books and notes.

Keep me from all distractions so that I will make the best use of this time that is available to me.

Give me insight that I might understand what I am studying and help me to remember it when the time comes.

Above all, I thank you for the ability to be able to study and for the many gifts and talents you have given me.

Help me always to use them in such a way that they honour you and do justice to myself. Amen.

#### June Sunday Rota

### MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Vigil 7pm: Ann Marie Bourke 09.00am: Michael Melly 11.00am: Paula O'Callaghan

COLLECTORS

Vigil 7pm: Patricia Dowd, Ann Marie Leslie 09.00am: Rose McBrearty, Johnny Paul McG Rosemary Kelly, James Gavigan 11.00am:

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Vigil 7pm: Mary Cunningham, Patricia O'Boyle 09.00am: Rita Cunningham, Kay Hegarty 11.00am: Marian Breslin, Mary Gallagher

Rota for Ministers of the Word, Collectors & Ministers of the Eucharist are available at the back of Church.

Sunday 21st May 2023: The Ascension of the Lord Year A

Weekday Readings: Seventh Week of Easter

Masses will be relayed on the webcamera: go to killybegsparish.com for a link to Online Services

Friday 19th May: **10.00am -** Tommy White (Anniversary)

Saturday 20th May: **07.00pm** - Special Intentions **09.00am** - Special Intentions Sunday 21st May:

11.00am - Denis Kinsella R.I.P. 10.00am - Special Intentions

22nd May: Monday Tuesday 23rd May: 10.00am - Special Intentions 10.00am - Special Intentions Thursday 25th May: Friday 26th May: 10.00am - Special Intentions

Saturday 27th May: **07.00pm** - Gráinne Bach (4th Anniversary)

Sunday 28th May: **09.00am** - Special Intentions 11.00am - Special Intentions

> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays 11am - 7pm. Please note: Mass on Friday 10am

**Pray for Teresa Dougherty,** New Jersey, USA, who died on Wednesday (sister of Dan McKeever); Charlie Harkin, New Eltham, London, Glenties & Stragar, Funeral Mass in Glenties, Saturday 20th May 11am, burial in Killybegs afterwards. Pray for: Francis Doogan. Suaimhneas Síoraí

#### Parish Choir Practice Monday 7.15pm

Circuit Class for over 55s will commence in Dunkineely Community Centre on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 11am for 6 weeks. Exercise at your own pace. Cost is €35 for six weeks payable on first day. Everyone welcome.

Aislann Chill Chartha with Donegal Library are having a morning of Bringing Sound to Life through Stories and Art with Marianne O'Kane Baol on Saturday 10th June 11.30am to 1pm.

Kilcar Community Singers concert on Friday 26th of May at 8pm. Adm: €10/€5. Raffle on the night. Special Guests: The Silver Beats. In aid of the church funds of Glencolmcille and Kilcar Parishes. For more info on all activities at Aislann contact us on 0749738376 or on our facebook page.

Sunday Social in Dunkineely Community Centre on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May 8pm - 10 pm. Music by The Lakelanders. Adm €10. Refreshments served.

## **Killybegs Employment Project**

Positions available:

Outdoor Maintenance workers Dunkineely Area. Caretakers of Community Buildings Killybegs and Dunkineely Areas,

Information Officers Killybegs, Domestic/Cleaners For more info / to apply, contact Colin or

Ann Marie at Project Office 0749731666 or

email kepltd2@outlook.ie

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.

**Sunday Collection** 14th May € 1.078.20 **Restoration Fund** 14th May € 1.061.10

Quiz in Wellbrae Bar Thursday 25th May 9pm in aid of Killybegs Summer Festival.

Coastal Rosary for life and faith in Ireland each evening at 8pm for the month of May at Immaculate Heart Grotto, Fintra Rd.

**Ecumenical Prayer Service of Remembrance** in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Letterkenny on June 1st at 5.30pm. All welcome.

The Foresters Community Hall is now a post-funeral venue, for friends and family members to come together to celebrate and remember the life of their loved one in a non formalised structure.

A strong team of 30 volunteers have come together to offer this community led-initiative, serving our local community in times of need. Light lunch includes sandwiches, cocktail sausages, tea & coffee.

€5 per person to cover costs. Booking enquiries: Lorraine 0872255698 Elaine 0876695107 Volunteer: Kelly 0864029222 Donations: Jackie 0861520449

## **Further Education & Training Centre.**

Donegal Town (Olde Tech) recruiting for its OOI L5 eBusiness with Digital Marketing starts Sept. Tel: Caroline 0749721705 / fetchcourses.ie

A thought.. Our task in life is to dig one deep well, not many shallow ones. Gandhi

