

## St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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### The Season of Lent

- During Lent there will be Mass at 8.30am on Tuesday mornings.
- There will be Stations of the Cross on Thursdays at 7pm
- Trócaire Boxes are now available. Your savings during Lent can help communities to fight drought and hunger.

### Ministers of Eucharist

There was a good attendance last Monday's meeting. Minutes of the meeting are being sent to every Minister along with Holy Week Rota and a Rota for those who volunteered to help out at Killybegs Community Hospital at 2.30pm Sunday Mass.

### Ministers of the Word

There will be a meeting for all readers on Thursday 19th March 7.30pm in the Church.

### Board of Management Meetings

Commons N.S. Monday 23rd February 4.30pm  
Niall Mór N.S. Monday 23rd February 8.00pm  
Fintra N.S. Thursday 26th February 4.30pm

### Primary Schools Enrolment

for new entrants September 2015.  
Niall Mór, Commons & Fintra  
Monday 2nd - Friday 6th March, during school hours.

### Rosary & Divine Mercy

every Tuesday in Meeting Room 7pm.

### Cruise Ships Visiting Killybegs 2015

MS Le Boreal Thursday 7th May  
MS National Geographic Explorer Wed. 13th May  
MS Le Soleal Monday 25th May  
MS Prinsendam Thursday 11th June  
MS Adonia Wednesday 17th June  
MS Oriana Friday 26th June  
MS Adonia Tuesday 21st July  
MS Black Watch Saturday 15th August  
MS Prinsendam Friday 11th September  
*For more information see [www.killybegs.ie](http://www.killybegs.ie)*

**Pro-Life Event** 11th March 7-8pm at Dáil Éireann.

*A single sunbeam is enough  
to drive away many shadows*

### Restoration Grand Draw 2015

A Grand Draw Committee was formed on Thursday evening for this major fund-raising effort for St Mary's Restoration Fund.

More members are welcome.

*The Draw will be launched on St Patrick's Day (7pm Vigil & Day Masses 9am & 11am).*

**\* Star Prize: Dubai for 5 nights/6 days flights from Dublin, 5 star hotel with breakfast.**

- €2500 holiday voucher for a family holiday abroad.
- London break for 3 nights, 4\* hotel & breakfast, for two city slickers.
- 2 nights city break for two (breakfast & one dinner) at the Herbert Park in Ballsbridge, Dublin
- 2 nights stay for two at Cromleach Lodge in the Sligo countryside (breakfast & one dinner).

**Tickets €10 each, 3 for €20, a book of 10 for €50.**

### Last Man Standing

There were 13 still standing after Week 5. The remaining competitors and their selections for week 6 are posted on the Parish Office window and on our website.

**Accord Pre Marriage Course** Donegal Town 20th & 21st March. To book: [accord.ie](http://accord.ie)

### Blood Donor Clinic

in Tara Hotel on Thursday 26th February 2.30pm-5pm and 7pm-9.30pm.

**Bluestack Special Needs Foundation** thanks those who supported their recent Church Gate Collection. The amount raised was €284.50.

**Thanks** to everyone who helped in any way with the Quiz for Cancer Bus. €825 was raised.

**Thanks** to Roisín, Mary and Staff from Cara Pharmacy for their very kind donation of €567 from their Pancake Tuesday.

This money goes towards the running of the bus to Galway for patients going for treatment.

- **Sunday 22nd February 2015: First Sunday of Lent** (Cycle B)
- **Weekday Readings: First Week of Lent** (Cycle 1)

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| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>21st February:</b> | <b>07.00pm</b> - James & Rose O'Donnell (Anniversaries)  |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>22nd February:</b> | <b>09.00am</b> - Keith Gallagher R.I.P. (Birthday)<br><b>11.00am</b> - Micheal Quinn (Anniversary) |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>23rd February:</b> | <b>10.00am</b> - Special Intention   |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>24th February:</b> | <b>08.30am</b> - Special Intention   |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>25th February:</b> | <b>07.00pm</b> - Philomena McDevitt & Mary Theresa Friel (Anniv)                                   |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>26th February:</b> | <b>10.00am</b> - Special Intention<br><b>07.00pm</b> - Stations of the Cross                       |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>27th February:</b> | <b>10.00am</b> - Con McGuinness (10th Anniversary)   |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>28th February:</b> | <b>07.00pm</b> - Mike Gulvin (1st Anniversary)   |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>1st March:</b>     | <b>09.00am</b> - James & Annie McMonagle (Anniv)<br><b>11.00am</b> - Peter Breslin (Anniversary)   |

**Adoration:** Sunday 6pm - Monday midnight;  
**Confessions:** Saturday 6.30pm.

*Pray for: Kathleen Hegarty, Straleel: Funeral Mass in Kilcar, Sunday 1pm.*

*Pray for: James O'Donnell, Kathleen McCartney. Suaimhneas Sioraí.*

**Irish Heart Foundation's Annual Stroke Survivor Conference** on 26th March in Croke Park. Registration is essential for this free event. [www.stroke.ie](http://www.stroke.ie) / call Emma-Jane 01 6346925

### Meteor Awards Song of the year

'The Little Hours' comprising of the boys of Killybegs, John Doherty & Ryan McCloskey, have been nominated for the above award along with 9 other artists. Please show your support by voting for them 'once a day' until the end of the month through Facebook or [meteor.ie/choice](http://meteor.ie/choice)

### Voting in the Community Council Elections

in Tara Hotel 5.30pm - 8.30pm on Fri 27th a nd 10am - 1pm on Sat 28th Feb. You may register as a candidate by contacting any member of the Community Council, on Facebook or at [killybegscommunitycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:killybegscommunitycouncil@gmail.com) by close of business on Thursday 26th Feb. We urge everyone to come out and vote for the candidates of your choice.

### Tir Boghaine Teo Community Gardening

group meets at Kilcar Community Garden, on Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Feb at 10am. New members welcome. Tel: 074 9733111 / [tirboghaine@gmail.com](mailto:tirboghaine@gmail.com)

**5k Walk** in aid of The Cancer Bus To Galway on Sunday 22nd February 3pm, Shore Rd Car park. Adults €5, Stud €3. Tel: Bridget 0876198299. €130 for Meningitis Research Foundation, thanks.

**The Millennium Room Training Restaurant** in the School of Tourism is open to the public for lunch on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays until 1<sup>st</sup> May. Booking essential. Tel: (074) 9186600

### Blessed Sacrament Adoration

22nd February - Anne Rodgers  
28th February - Máire McGuinness

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| <b>Sunday Collection</b>                     | € 1,575.00           |
| <b>Restoration &amp; Development Fund:</b>   |                      |
| Envelopes 14th & 15th Feb                    | € 1,546.00           |
| Ton of Mackerel                              | € 1,000.00           |
| <b>Total Fund:</b>                           | <b>€2,333,125.38</b> |
| <i>Thanks for your continued generosity.</i> |                      |

### Parish Clean Up

Killybegs Community Council are organising a clean up on Sun 22nd March. Meeting at Shore Rd Car Park at 2pm. Bags, gloves etc provided. All groups & individuals are asked to help.

### 70th Anniversary of the Crownarad Plane Crash

Commemoration Event on 14th March. Anyone who would like to be involved contact Rosemary Murphy 02881647137 / 07708567449 / [rosemary.mu@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:rosemary.mu@hotmail.co.uk)

### Sliabh Liag Hillwalkers

**February walk** on Sunday 22nd, reg at Fire Station, Glencolmille, 10am.  
Brid: 087 2424677,  
Mai: 086 8040519, Paddy: 087 6737614.

### McGee's Jewellery & Photo Centre

are closed for renovations 23rd February for one week. Reopening Monday 2nd March.

**Be alcohol-free this Lent** Join Online: [www.pioneerassociation.ie](http://www.pioneerassociation.ie) / 01 8749464

**A Lenten thought..** *Is your heart getting enough exercise? Do random acts of love daily.*