

St. Mary's Parish, Killybegs

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A Christmas Prayer

When the song of the angels has been stilled,
when the star has gone from the night sky,
when the kings have reached their far shores,
when the shepherds have returned to their flocks,
then the work of Christmas really begins:

to find those who are lost,
to heal those who are broken in spirit,
to feed those who are hungry,
to release those who are oppressed,
to rebuild the nations torn by strife,
to bring peace among all peoples,
to bring the light of the Gospel
into the darkest corners of our world.

We pray that we might radiate the light of Christ
through the kindness of our presence
and the determination of our purpose,
every day of our lives.
Amen.

Killybegs Calendar 2013 A complimentary calendar is
being delivered to your home. If you need extra
complimentary copies, please call to the Parish Office.

Junior Christmas Choir
practice after 11am Mass today (Sunday). All welcome!

St Mary's Church Christmas Cards
Available: The Parish Office, Curran's & Sweet News

Rosary in the Chapel at 6pm on Christmas Day.
All welcome.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society thanks those who
contributed to Church Gate Collection totalling €866.83

Donegal Waste Christmas Arrangements
Wednesday 27th collection will be collected on Thursday
28th (black bin). Collection may be very early so we
recommend you put your bins out on Wednesday to
ensure collection. Normal collection will resume on
Wednesday 2nd Jan (blue bin).

Big Quiz Night in aid of Breast Cancer & Cancer
Research in Tara Hotel on Thursday 27th December at
10pm. Your support greatly appreciated.

Christmas Masses:

Monday 24th December Christmas Eve:
7.00pm: Children's Mass
11.00pm: Christmas 'Midnight' Mass
Tuesday 25th December Christmas Day:
Masses at **9.00am & 11.00am**

Nollaig Shona

As we celebrate Christmas it is important that
we remember those who spend Christmas
separated from family and friends.

Church Envelopes 2013 The boxes are being
delivered presently, along with the Christmas
Newsletter and the 2013 Calendar. Thank you
for your financial support throughout 2012.
Anyone who would like to receive a box of
envelopes contact Ann in the Parish Office.

Proposed classes at Niall Mór Centre
for Spring 2013 subject to numbers.

Please ring to register your interest! 9741863
Needlework/Sewing, Cooking, First Aid,
Digital Photography, Basic Computers,
Internet and email course,
Healthcare Assistant course,
Payroll Manual & Computerized.

Swimming Lessons Bus to Ballyshannon
starting Saturday 12th January for 10 weeks
Contact Dessie 086 6000098 / 9732650

Boxing Day Swim

At Fintra Beach at 1pm sharp.
Swimmers are asked to arrive at 12.30pm.
Please wear suitable footwear to keep warm.
Parking at old football pitch.
Please keep beach carpark free for Coastguard
and Ambulance Service. Event in aid of
Alzheimer's Donegal Branch
and Killybegs Community Hospital.
All swimmers are asked to bring sponsorship
cards on the day. Please support.

DVD Photos of Junior Strictly
available from Matty 087 9832231. €15

- **Sunday 23rd December 2012: Fourth Sunday of Advent: (Cycle C)**
- **Weekday Readings: The Octave of Christmas**

Saturday 22nd December: 07.30pm - Sarah McCloskey (Anniversary)
Sunday 23rd December: 09.00am - Bernard & Helen Doogan (Anniversaries)
11.00am - Michael Cunningham, Island (Anniversary)

Monday 24th December: Christmas Eve
07.00pm - Children's Christmas Mass: Frank Gallagher (Anniv)
11.00pm - Christmas 'Midnight' Mass: People's Intentions

Tuesday 25th December: Christmas Day
09.00am - Special Intention
11.00am - John McGilloway (Anniversary)

Wednesday 26th December: 11.00am - Anthony Melly, Ardara (Anniversary)
Friday 28th December: 07.30pm - Paddy & Sarah Agnes Hegarty (Anniversaries)
Saturday 29th December: 07.30pm - Mary Ann McGill (Anniversary)
Sunday 30th December: 09.00am - Barney Murrin (Anniversary)
11.00am - Special Intention (Thanksgiving)

Adoration - No Adoration this weekend
Confessions - Saturday 7.00pm.

Please note: No Mass on Thursday

Pray for those who died recently: Daniel Clarke, Sligo, whose funeral took place on Saturday (yesterday), nephew of Francie Gallagher, Island; Winifred Disney, who died in San Francisco, (Cousin of the Conaghan and Cunningham families); Frank Campbell, Dalkey, Co Dublin whose funeral took place on Wednesday (uncle of Trudy Quinn). Pray for: Kevin Beirne, John O'Boyle, Timothy O'Boyle, Fr Kevin Hegarty, Peg Tourish, Bridie Rawdon, Ethel Blaine, John Mc Fadden. Suaimhneas Sioraí.

Thank You from Killybegs Community Care Committee

The Senior Citizens Party held on Sunday was a
great success. Many thanks to the Tara Hotel for the
lovely meal, to the band, Rosaleen Boyle, Kathleen
Hegarty, Denny Coleman and Michael Melly.
Thanks also to Mr & Mrs Claus who turned up with
presents for everyone. Thanks to the children and
organizers of Junior Strictly Come Dancing. Thanks
to Denise O'Boyle for the Christmas Cake,
to SuperValu for Hamper, Hegarty's for chocolates.
Line Draw winners: United Fish Industries,
Margaret Cunningham and Hugh McFadden. Thanks
to everyone who helped & supported us in any way.

Bag Pack on Christmas Eve at SuperValu in aid of
Donegal Alzheimer's Society.
Help wanted. Tel: 9741968 / 087 4175410

Hughie's Beatles Factor
Sincere thanks to Hugh O'Donnell for the recent
fundraiser at Hughie's. Thanks to all who supported
the event. €600 was raised for the Restoration Fund.

'Unite for Life' Vigil on Sat 19th January in Dublin
at 4.30pm in Merrion Square for the safeguarding of
the lives of mothers and babies in pregnancy.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

No Adoration on 23rd / 24th December
No Adoration on 30th / 31st December

Sunday Collection €1,580.00

Restoration & Development Fund:
Envelopes 15th & 16th Dec: € 1,625.00
Donations € 600.00
Hughie's Beatles Factor € 600.00
Priests Gifts € 241.14
Scrap Metal € 170.00
Total Fund: €1,968,766.86
Thank you for your continued generosity.

DVD Video of Junior Strictly available from
Alice Kelly in Killybegs Hospital 086 3947380

The Active Retirement will not be meeting
again until 9th January in the Foresters Hall.
Swimming will resume on the 10th January
in the Central Hotel, Donegal Town.

Pioneer Mass on Wed 9th January at 7pm.
Young people wishing to join are very
welcome. Presentation of Gold and Silver Pins.
Anyone entitled & wishes to receive a gold /
silver pin tel: Brendan 9731026 / Celia 9731186