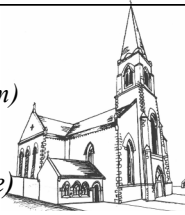


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The Season of Lent 2022



The Season of Lent begins this week on **Ash Wednesday** with Masses at 10am & 7pm.

Ashes will be blessed after the Gospel and will be available in the church all day in small individual plastic bags. A short Prayer Leaflet is also available.

You are welcome to bring the blessed Ashes home, along with the Prayer Leaflet.

For covid reasons, please only touch what you are bringing home.

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Trócaire Boxes are now available in the church.

This year's Lenten Campaign is to help those bearing the brunt of climate change, Covid, conflict and injustice.

You may donate in one of several ways:

Save for Trócaire during Lent using the Trócaire Box. At the end of Lent, pass on your donation to us in the Trócaire envelope provided or send it directly to Trócaire. (As a covid precaution, please do not return the box/coins to the church)

Or

Donate securely online to: www.trocaire.org

Or

Give by Callsave to: 1850 408 408

Or

Post to Trocaire, Maynooth, Co Kildare.

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Walk With Me: A Journey of Lenten Prayer for 2022 is now available. Place your donation in either box in the church porch (€2).

Stations of the Cross on Thursdays at 7pm.

The Cross of Suffering Instead of the Garment of Suffering this Lent, we will have a box in the sanctuary for your Cross of Suffering: we invite you to write a name or an intention, personal or global, on the Intentions Sheet provided, which will be remembered collectively at all Masses during Lent. By putting your concerns into words and placing them into the Box of Suffering, we pray that your Cross of Suffering will be transformed into a Beacon of Light through the healing power of God. The box will be placed at the foot of the Cross on Good Friday, remaining unopened until its contents will be placed in the Easter Fire on Holy Saturday Night, praying that the Risen Christ will bring hope and healing to all who are suffering.



Can I Change

Lord, in this holy season, give me the grace to change, to believe I can be changed, to take small steps towards my true self – from selfishness to service, from judgement to mercy, from anxiety to faith.



In this holy season, help me to give time to prayer as you did so often: before a major decision, at the end of a long day of coming and going, in the time of trial.

Help me to spend time with you every day, to set aside my relentless thoughts, and abide in you in silence and trust.

In this holy season, help me to fast from what is holding me back from becoming my true self: my addictions to the pleasures of the body, to the mental habits which dull my attention, to the habits of a lifestyle which could never be shared with everyone on the planet.

Help me to choose my fasting wisely, and to persevere, with your grace.

In this holy season, help me to give alms to my neighbours in need, and not just my spare change, but to better understand their needs, the pain, hidden in plain sight, to give of my time and imagination to help those who are vulnerable, to build the kingdom in my community.

And in this holy season, Lord, help me not to despair when I fall at the first hurdle, but to remember your generosity to the labourers who came along at the end, as much as to those who were there from the beginning.
 Raymond Friel, David Wells from 'At Your Side'

- ◆ **Sunday 27th February 2022: Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time: Year C**
- ◆ **Weekday Readings: Eighth Week in Ordinary Time / Lent: Cycle 2**

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

Saturday	26th February: 07.00pm - Annie Byrne (1st Anniversary) Charles & Molly McCahill & Anne Moloney (Anniv)
Sunday	27th February: 09.00am - Peter Breslin (10th Anniversary) 11.00am - Sarah & Margaret Carr (Anniversaries)
Monday	28th February: 10.00am - Special Intentions
Tuesday	1st March: 10.00am - Con McGuinness (17th Anniversary)
Ash Wednesday	2nd March: 10.00am - Special Intentions 07.00am - Special Intentions
Thursday	3rd March: 10.00am - John Spendley (1st Anniversary)
Friday	4th March: 07.00pm - Special Intentions
Saturday	5th March: 11.00am - Aodh O'Donnell (1st Anniversary) 07.00pm - Michéal Quinn (Anniversary)
Sunday	6th March: 09.00am - Special Intentions 11.00am - Paidín & Ann O'Donnell (Anniversaries) & deceased family members

Pray for: Joe O'Boyle, Conlin Rd & Dingle, whose funeral took place in Dingle on Tuesday; Marie Byrne, formerly from Stragar, who died in London on Tuesday;
Pray for: John James McGuinness, Margaret McGuinness. *Suaimhneas Siorai*

Home is the definition of God Sister Stan

Volunteer Fair at Killybegs Tourism College,
 Monday 28th February 10am-12.30pm

The volunteer fair is open to all and could help you with meeting new people, learning new skills and helping your community. The event will have information on local groups and volunteer roles that are available.. We have opportunities to suit everyone that vary from an hour a month to a day per week. If you would like to have your group involved tel: Fr Liam Boyle / Brenda Hamilton 074 916400.

Killybegs Women's Group Huge thank you to everyone who donated items to the Chernobyl Orphanages Appeal. The container was filled to full capacity with approx 150 bags left over! We will take remaining bags to Siobhan McNelis, Portnoo, who's starting her Belarus collection in April.

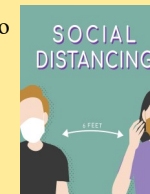
Public Mass and the Sacraments

Even though many restrictions are no longer mandatory, we will continue with the following guidelines:

- Face covering,**
- Social distancing**
- and using hand sanitiser.**

Every alternative seat will be in use to ensure social distancing.

The church is open for private prayer every day: 8am to 7pm. Take care.

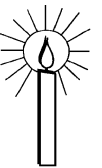


Sunday Collection 20th February	€ 825.00
Emigrants	€ 255.00
Restoration Fund 20th February	€ 670.00
Total Restoration Fund	€ 3,335,270.43

Thank you for your continued generosity

Congratulations and Welcome to the Catholic Christian Community

Tom William Allen
 Tara Aimee Mogan
 Sophie Rose Colgan
 Liam Anthony Boyle
 Daniel Frankie Byrne
 Annie Mae Leese
 Callum Gillespie
 Charlie James Nolan
 Annalise Maura Gallagher
 Harper Noctor
 Croia Ann Melly
 Cian Kyles
 Sophia Gallagher-Byrne
 Jack Patrick McCafferty
 Daithi Óg Conwell Diver



Anam Cara Donegal, monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Thursday 10th March 7.30pm in the Raddison Blu, Letterkenny.

Sunday Social Dance in Dunkineely Community Centre Sun 27th Feb 8-10pm.

Una's Reflexology service in Niall Mór Centre starts Thursday 3rd March. 1st & 3rd Thursdays. Booking essential. Tel: 0872854668