

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

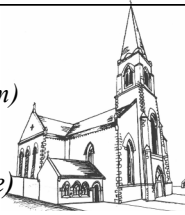
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Masses and Services: Live streaming www.mcnmedia.tv (link on website)



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We are very saddened to hear of Maeve Murray's death in the early hours of this morning (Friday). Her service to the parish, which spanned over six decades, was phenomenal. She was a Limerick Lady who was embraced so warmly by the people of Killybegs and far beyond. May she rest in peace.

Though the covid pandemic is still with us, the time has come for us to reassess our guidelines and to gradually reactivate and renew parish ministries. Regarding covid, the emphasis is very much on personal responsibility, continually monitoring one's own negative status, thereby ensuring that you do not pass on the virus to anyone else. We will continue to use alternative seats in the church but the wearing of masks during church worship will be left to one's own discretion after this weekend. For those who wish to have good social distance, the seats in the front of the church offer more space. During wakes and funerals personal responsibility is vital, ensuring the mourners feel safe and protected.

We look forward to Ministers of the Word and Ministers of the Eucharist engaging in their respective ministries beginning next weekend. We will also begin the Offertory Collection next weekend, using new leather baskets, and hoping that two collectors will be available for each weekend Mass, including Friday evening. We will make contact before next weekend to arrange a rota for all ministries for the month of September. The counters, who prepare the Sunday collections for banking, are already back in action.

We look forward to the Parish Choir returning as well and now that Maeve Murray is gone to join the Heavenly Choir, we will reorganise, inspired by our departed inspirational leader.

We will gradually review the impact of the pandemic lockdown on parish life and begin a process of re-engaging and reorganising, following the synodal pathway, over the coming months.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

Fr. Colm.

Living in the moment

ensures we do not miss the present, ensures we do not find the day has passed us by before we have fully lived it, helps us greet the night with gratitude, helps us to welcome death, when its moment comes. *Sister Stan*



Rosary, The Immaculate Heart Grotto Tues 8pm

One Day Retreats at Lough Derg

have resumed on Lough Derg, and continue on selected dates until the end of September: August 28 & 29; September 3, 7, 10, 13, 17, 18, 24 & 25 Booking is essential. Adm €45pp includes all refreshments, lunch, return boat service, full retreat programme, free car & coach parking. Boats available from 9.15am, retreat begins at 10.30am until 4.30pm. For booking and more info: 071 9861518 / www.loughderg.org / email: info@loughderg.org

A Bus to Knock Shrine will leave Letterkenny on Saturday 3rd September stopping at Ballybofey, Donegal Town and Ballyshannon en route. To book please phone 087 7530132.

A Triduum in preparation for the Feast of St Padre Pio in Franciscan Friary, Rosnowlagh from Tuesday 20th - Friday 23rd September. Mass, Homily and Blessing with his Mitten at 7.30pm daily. Preacher Fr Pius McLaughlin, OFM, who met Padre Pio. All very welcome.

Public Mass and the Sacraments

Covid guidelines for the chapel:

Face covering, Social distancing and using hand sanitiser.

Every alternative seat in use.

We will review our guidelines at the beginning of September.



◆ **Sunday 28th August 2022:** *Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C*

◆ **Weekday Readings:** *Twenty-Second Week of Ordinary Time Cycle 2*

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

Friday	26th August:	07.00pm - Special Intentions
Saturday	27th August:	07.00pm - Dinny Kinsella (Anniversary)
Sunday	28th August:	09.00am - Special Intentions 11.00am - <i>Funeral Mass of Maeve Murray R.I.P.</i> Michael Hamilton (Anniversary)
Monday	29th August:	10.00am - Alan Raughter (Anniversary)
Tuesday	30th August:	10.00am - Kathleen & Joe Briordy (Anniversaries)
Thursday	1st September:	10.00am - James Greenwood (3rd Anniversary)
Friday	2nd September:	07.00pm - Special Intention
Saturday	3rd September:	07.00pm - May, Charlie & John McGowan (Anniversaries) Packie & Mary Boyle (Anniversaries) Sean Melly (Anniversary)
Sunday	4th September:	09.00am - Special Intentions 11.00am - John & Margaret McTeague (Anniversaries)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday 11am to 7pm.

Pray for: Maeve Murray, Carraig Mhuire, Fintra Rd, whose Funeral Mass takes place this Sunday 11am; Mary Haughey, Croaghlin, whose funeral took place on Monday; Brendan Sadler, who died recently in Culdaff, former teacher in St Catherine's V.S. Pray for Margaret McKeon. *Suaímhneas Stóraí*

Society of St Vincent de Paul

We continue to support families in need contact John at 074 9731186 or James at 074 9731426.

Re-opening of Primary Schools

Commons N.S. Tuesday 30th August
Junior Infants finish at 12 noon.
Fintra N.S. Wednesday 31st August
Junior Infants finish at 12.30pm.
Niall Mór N.S. Thursday 1st September
Junior Infants finish at 12 noon.

St Catherines Vocational School

Return to School Dates

1st year only	30th August
1st, 5th & 6th years only	31st August
1st, 2nd 5th & 6th years only	1st September
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th & 6th years	2nd September
School opens for all classes	5th September

Niall Mór Centre: 0749741863

info@niallmorcentre.com

If you have any men/women on site that may wish to renew or to sit their Safepass Training, please tell them to get in touch to sign up to receive a date.

Accommodation Wanted in Killybegs

Host families needed for new international nurses. Contact fiona.walsh@kcr.ie / 0871779867

Killybegs Cruise Ships 2022

2nd September *Le Champlain* 180 passengers

Sunday Collection 21st August	€ 1,204.00
Restoration Fund 21st August	€ 1,152.25
Donation	€ 300.00
Total Restoration Fund	€ 3,368,543.03

Thank you for your continued generosity

CAR BOOT SALE at Frosses Hall Sat 3 Sept. 9.30am-2pm in aid of Mary's Meals. Now feeding two million children every school day.



Music arises out of the silence into which it inevitably flows

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Taking names for the following to start 13th Sept *Phone, Laptop, Tablet, online banking, shopping Horticulture and environment, Apiculture, Beekeeping, English classes, Irish Classes 2/3 Photography and photo editing, Adult Art, Knitting and crochet, Computer for beginners, Digital Marketing and website design.*

Sunday Social in Dunkineely Community

Centre on Sunday 28th August 8pm - 10 pm. Music Magic Black. Adm €10. Refreshments

Student Accommodation Landlord Appeal

Houses/Apartments/Digs Accepted
Contact: Email: Barry.Breslin@ATU.ie
Phone: 086 770 2701 / 074 918 6000