

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

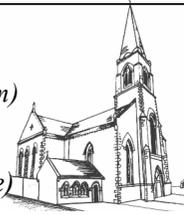
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A NEW DAWN: CORONA CHALLENGE (Part 2)

Science, which is guiding us through this covid darkness, tells us that our planet is a living organism, a sentient being, with 4.5 billion years of evolutionary experience. Among others, our young people, have intuited this as they caution us in our global climate emergency – there is no Planet B. We need to wake up to this fact and listen to Earth before we destroy our common home and all therein. There is NO vaccine for this crisis

The challenge is to collectively wake up to the mystery that we are part of the awesome community of life, interdependent and kin with all. There is room for all, our early ancestors respected this as do indigenous peoples and a growing nucleus of others today.

In this epiphany moment let us pause and reflect:

What if we were to dream of a hitherto unattained planetary awakening and feel that visceral excitement that it is possible?

What if we were to acknowledge our vulnerability and need for companionship within the community of all creation?

What if we collectively were to admit that we have strayed from our kin-consciousness and commit to living more sustainably within the earth economy of abundant but finite resources to be shared with all?

What if we could cherish the mysterious gift of togetherness creating that resilience needed to courageously weave enduring tapestries of healing, hope, equality, justice, love, peace and wellbeing for all in our Common Home?

What if a profound acknowledgement of our innate goodness and fresh sense of the oneness of all life were to shape our future post-Covid, thereby respecting inclusion for all and that basic right to be and to flourish in the community of creation?

The 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 which is in front of the altar, 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.

Trócaire appeals to you this Lent to help families hurt by conflict to survive and thrive.

You may donate in one of several ways:

Save for Trócaire during Lent using the Trócaire Box (available in the church). 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

However what if we fail to learn emerging lessons?

Will we persist in gazing half-dazed

Out of sleepy eyes wondering,

When will the new dawn break?

The sky shimmers with morning freshness

While we search for the dawning -

Restlessly, fearfully, resolutely, wholeheartedly -

We simply cannot afford to miss it ever again.

Nellie Mc Laughlin, January 2021

- ◆ **Sunday 28th February 2021:** *Second Sunday of Lent: Year B*
- ◆ **Weekday Readings:** *Second Week of Lent*

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

Saturday	27th February: 07.00pm - Charles & Molly Mc Cahill & Anne Moloney (Anniversaries) Peter Breslin (Anniversary) Sheila Hickey (Anniversary) Lily Morgan R.I.P.
Sunday	28th February: 11.00am - Terry O'Doherty (1st Anniversary)
Monday	1st March: 10.00am - Con Mc Guinness (16th Anniversary)
Tuesday	2nd March: 10.00am - Con & Lil Kennedy (Anniversaries)
Thursday	4th March: 10.00am - Eileen O'Shea R.I.P.
Friday	5th March: 10.00am - Special Intention
Saturday	6th March: 07.00pm - Paddy Byrne R.I.P. (Month's Mind Mass)
Sunday	7th March: 11.00am - Special Intention

Pray for: *Tommy Cassidy, Kimmage, Dublin, who died last week (brother-in-law of Dominic Mullin).*
Pray for: John James Mc Guinness whose anniversary occurs at this time. [Suaimhneas Storaí](http://SuaimhneasStoraí).

Paddy Byrne R.I.P. Mary, Peter and their families would like to thank their kind neighbours, relatives, and friends for their support in their recent loss of Paddy Byrne R.I.P. The family appreciates the kindness shown to them at this difficult time. Thank you also to the staff of Harbour Lights Nursing Home who took such good care of Paddy for the past eleven years. A Mass will be offered for your intentions. Paddy's Month Mind Mass will take place 6th March 7pm. May his gentle soul rest in peace.

Thank You

Jackie Byrne & family would like to thank everyone who sympathised with them on the loss of her brother Seamus & sister Moya. To all who sent Mass cards, sympathy cards, letters, phone calls or in any other way, we are so grateful in these lonely strange times. Mass will be offered for your intentions

Thank You

Francis & Anna Murrin wish to thank sincerely family, friends, neighbours and everyone for their care, cards and good wishes during Francis' recent illness. Special thanks to the staff at Beaumont & Letterkenny Hospitals.

Then Sings My Soul

This beautiful CD with hymns & songs sung by Roisín & Sara O'Donnell is on sale from the Parish Office and Curran's **€10**.
All proceeds to: *Killybegs Community Hospital Patients' Comfort Fund*

Interested in Becoming a Foster Carer?

Tusla, Donegal are recruiting Foster Carers. We are hosting an Online Information Session on **Thursday March 11th at 7pm**. Please contact your local office on 074 9123701 if you are interested in attending. Come along and see if you could make a positive difference to a child's life. We welcome all enquiries locally on 074 912701 or at tusla.fostering@tusla.ie Freephone 1800 226771

Killybegs Employment Project Vacancies

Domestic Worker Killybegs
Caretakers Niall Mór Centre Killybegs
Youth Workers Drop In Killybegs
Caretaker Foresters Community Hall
Retail/Accounts Assistant Atlantic Crafts Kbegs
Maintenance workers Killybegs
Grounds/Caretaker at Parish Facilities Kbegs
Clubrooms & Parish Maintenance Ardagh
Caretaker Bruckless Community Centre
Email keplid2@outlook.ie for further info.

LEVEL 5 COVID REGULATIONS

Stay at home, with limited exceptions... wash your hands often... always keep a distance of 2 metres from others... wear a face covering...

- Mass celebrated here behind closed doors, all Masses live streamed.
- Funerals restricted to 10, Weddings to 6, No Baptisms for now
- The church is open for private prayer every day: 8am - 7pm. Take care.