

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Killybegs

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A Word of Gratitude from Fr Colm

I had a memorable weekend celebrating the Golden Jubilee of my Ordination. With the Church of my Ordination, Teach Pobail Mhuire, Derrybeg, being destroyed by fire a year last Easter, I celebrated Mass at home with family and neighbours last Saturday, followed by a delightful meal. On Sunday I celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Mary of the Visitation Church here in Killybegs at 11am, followed by refreshments in Foresters Hall. Both celebrations touched me deeply as did the presence of so many. My sincere gratitude to everyone concerned.

There was a great atmosphere in the Chapel on Sunday and indeed I found it very emotional. Some family members were present, with my brother Fr. Seán concelebrating, along with Fr. Charlie Byrne. Ministers of the Word and Eucharist, Gift Bearers, Collectors and Altar Servers played their part, along with our exceptional Parish Choir, who presented me with a lovely gift, accompanied by song. Plunkett Smith was there to keep a visual record, along with Thomas Gallagher of the Donegal Democrat.

Our beautiful Church is so conducive to liturgical celebrations and the presence of a vibrant and appreciative faith-community made it such a memorable celebration for me, receiving such warm and heartfelt congratulations and good wishes, along with a multitude of cards and gifts, for which I am deeply grateful. Thank you sincerely for your kindness, thoughtfulness and generosity.

I did not expect Foresters Hall to be full to capacity and the refreshments served by Stephanie McHugh and her team were greatly appreciated. Thank you, Stephanie, for spearheading the operation with such precision and cheerfulness and thanks to everyone who helped, giving so generously of their time and energy. Thanks also to the Foresters Hall Committee.

Celebrating with my own family on Saturday and celebrating with the parish community and friends here in Killybegs on Sunday meant so much to me and marked the Golden Jubilee of my Ordination in the most memorable way possible.

Moladh go deo le Dia! Blessed be God forever!



Fr. Colm with his brothers and sisters



Fr. Colm with the Parish Choir



The Jubilee Cake: a tasty creation by Eimear McGuinness

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Sunday 5th July 11am.



Parish Choir Practice

Monday 7.15pm



Killybegs Cruises 2026

Date	Ship	Arrive/Depart	Passengers
06 July	Amadea	09:00 / 18:00	624
12 July	Borealis	08:00 / 18:00	1,685

Sunday 5th July 2026:

Weekday Readings:

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

Year A

Weekday 2

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

Saturday	4th July:	07.00pm - Patsy O'Rourke (Anniversary) Marie Boyle (12th Anniversary) Stephen Boyle (32nd Anniversary) Mary Molloy Goretti (4th Anniversary)
Sunday	5th July:	09.00am - Baby Margaret Callaghan (50th Anniversary) 11.00am - Patsy McGowan (7th Anniversary)
Monday	6th July:	10.00am - Patrick John O'Donnell (Anniversary)
Tuesday	7th July:	10.00am - Grace Sharkey (Anniversary)
Thursday	9th July:	10.00am - Martin Gillespie (Anniversary)
Friday	10th July:	10.00am - Bridie Byrne (Anniversary)
Saturday	11th July:	07.00pm - Special Intentions
Sunday	12th July:	09.00am - Margaret & Charlie Murrin (Anniversaries) 11.00am - Special Intention

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

Pray for: Sally McHugh nee Smith, Ardara and Killybegs whose funeral was in Ardara on Friday;
Gavin Tubbs, late of Ballybofey, Donegal Town, Killybegs and England, who died recently;
Yoann Ponsin, late of Bridge Street and France, who died recently. *Suaímhneas Sioraí.*



Sandra's 21st Annual Run Saturday 4th July

Please support us for this great cause.
Dancing in Bay View from 9pm.
Music by the Minor Tones.
Free to all. Everyone welcome.

Sunday Collection	28th June	€1175.00
Donation		€1000.00
Maintenance Fund	28th June	€1650.00

St. Vincent de Paul Contact No. 087 3507727

Adoration in the Adoration Room
every Wednesday evening 6-7pm. All welcome.

Annual Pilgrimage to Inniskeel Island

St Conal's Turas, Narin, Sunday 12th July, leaving Narin beach at 9.30am. Everyone is most welcome. Mass at 9am in St Conal's Church, Kilclooney

Donegal Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus
expresses its sincere gratitude to the parishioners of Killybegs for their exceptional generosity at the church gate collection raising a total of €1,019.

Cursillo Friendship Night in Donegal Town
Wednesday 8th July 7:30pm in Church of Ireland Hall. All Cursillo members welcome.
Cursillo Trip to Knock Sunday 19th July: bus from Church of Irish Martyrs 7.30am, €10. Contact Pat Slattery on 087 937 4001.

Leitir Corn Mill, Kilcar
Car boot sale Saturday 11th July 10am - 1pm.
Text 0876123184 or 0872453210

Niall Mor Centre 074 9741863
Driver CPC Safety Training: 10th July, 9am-5pm
Pottery Workshop with Pauline 15th July 6pm
Citizens Advice Service - Free Legal Advice:
Tuesday 28th July, 10am-2pm
Wild Shore Summer Camp 27th July - 31st Aug

Entrance Hymn: Let There Be Love

Let there be love shared among us
Let there be love in our eyes,
and let your love sweep this nation,
Cause us, O Lord, to arise.
Give us a fresh understanding,
Brotherly love that is real.
Let there be love shared among us, let there be love
Let there be peace shared among us....
Let there be joy shared among us....



Final Hymn: Go now in peace together today.
Jesus is here in a very special way.
Tell all you meet that he is gentle and kind.
Praise him and love him in body, soul and mind
Go in Peace! Go in Love!
Go in Joy, every girl and boy. (x2)
Bring all the love we've had here today.
Share it around, don't let it fade away.
Love one another as Jesus Christ loves you.
Praise him and love him in everything you do.

