

Killorglin Parish

Parish Priest
Fr. Kevin Sullivan
(087) 6277638

Parish Office

The door to the Parish Office will be closed for the next few weeks. However we will be working behind the scenes.

If you need a signed Mass Card, phone or email us:

(087) 6584479

✉ killorglin@dioceseofkerry.ie

St. James' Church, Killorglin

Mass is livestreamed

from St. James' Church.

Visit: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/killorglin-st-james-church>

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Sunday10.30am
Monday.....10.30am
Tuesday.....10.30am
Thursday10.30am
Friday10.30am

Star of the Sea Church, Cromane

While current restrictions are in place, Mass will not be celebrated in Star of the Sea Church, Cromane.

Diocesan Website
www.dioceseofkerry.ie

Designated Diocesan Liaison Person for all Safeguarding Concerns
(087) 6362780

Why was Jesus Baptised?

There are two answers that we can give to this question.

By being baptised in the River Jordan with all those who came to John the Baptist, Jesus shows his total solidarity with us.

“The Word was made flesh and lived among us,” says John’s gospel. He does not say that the Word was made a human person but that ‘he was made flesh’. In biblical language, ‘flesh’ has all the connotations of our human weaknesses.

In becoming a human person, Jesus identified with us not just in our humanity but in our weak human-ness. Jesus had the same feelings and reactions that we possess.

Secondly, something different is happening here beyond an ordinary baptism. Luke says significantly that Jesus was at prayer when his baptism took place. At all the significant moments in his public life, Luke represents Jesus as praying. It was at this moment that the Spirit of God in the visible form of a dove comes down on Jesus.

A voice, clearly that of the Father, says, “You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.” It is clearly a form of “missioning” for Jesus. We could call it his ‘Pentecost’ experience. It is a clear endorsement from his Father for the work that Jesus is about to begin.

So, through his baptism, Jesus is being officially commissioned to begin his public work of teaching, healing and liberating enslaved souls up to the moment of his passion, death and resurrection.

Today is an opportunity for all of us to reflect on our own baptism. It is not something which happened a long time and which “made” us Catholics. It is not just a ceremony lasting a few minutes which produces magical effects; it is the beginning of a lifelong journey. It is the beginning of a process of growing into the Body of Christ as its members.

Our baptism is essentially a community experience; it is not just a private or a family event although in the way it was “celebrated” it may have looked like that. It involves active participation in the life of the Church and not just passive membership.

Each one of us is called to be a living witness to the Gospel: to be the salt of the earth, a city on a hill, a lamp radiating light for all. Our baptism is a never-ending call to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Every word of Isaiah can also be applied to each one of us who has been baptised. So let us today renew our faith in and our commitment to follow Jesus. Let us re-affirm our readiness to carry on his work.

Mass Times for the coming week in St. James Church

Sunday 10th 10.30am
Monday 11th 10.30am
Tuesday 12th 10.30am
Thursday 14th 10.30am
Friday 15th 10.30am

Broadcasting of Mass

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Even though Masses are being celebrated in St. James’s Church without a congregation while current restrictions are in place, our churches are open for private prayer.

When you visit the churches

- please sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the church

-keep your distance from others who may be in the church

-minimise your touching of hard surfaces

-wear your mask

Praying Sunday Mass online

As we gather at home for our Sunday Mass celebrations online, these are some suggestions that might help our prayer-time:

Create a sacred space where you will sit to attend Mass e.g. using a crucifix or candle or icon, just like you might do if preparing for a house Mass.

Invite family members to name a prayer intention that everyone will pray for during the Mass.

Stand to hear the Gospel or to join in praying the Our Father, just like you would in church.

We are reminded of the words of Jesus - *‘Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in their midst’*

We remember that Jesus Christ is present in our homes as we pray at Mass together.

Radio Maria

a Station dedicated to faith, hope and love
Radio Maria is an Irish Catholic radio station. There is a full list of programmes from 8.00am until close to midnight.
Tune into channel 210 or 411 on Saorview.



Remember our Dead

Died Recently: Eileen McCarthy nee Foley, Cromane Lower

Anniversaries: Margaret Buckley, 5 Mountain View
Pat O'Connell, Castleconway
Josie O'Neill, Cromane Lower
Micheál O'Reilly, Farrantoreen
Maria McGrath, Lonhart
Batty Foley, 24 Mountain View

Mass Intentions for the coming week in St. James' Church, Killorglin

Monday 11 th January	10.30am	Monty Mangan, Langford Street
Tuesday, 12 th January	10.30am	Patrick & Mary Heffernan, Patrick & James Heffernan, Douglas
Thursday, 14 th January	10.30am	John & Mary Healy, Bansha
Friday, 15 th January	10.30am	Johnny & Margaret Galvin, Garraghadoo
Sunday, 17 th January	10.30am	James & Sheila McGillicuddy, Kilcoulaght; Eileen Kennedy, 6 St. James Gardens; Tom Purcell, Cromane Upper; Breda & Jerry O'Connor, Cromane Upper & London

Killorglin Pastoral Area

Priest on Duty this Sunday

Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, Glenbeigh, (066) 9768209, (087) 2432155

In emergency always ring your own Priest first.

If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

Monday: Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (066) 9768209, (087) 2432155
Tuesday: Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (066) 9768209, (087) 2432155
Wednesday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638, (087) 6584479
Thursday: Fr. Danny Broderick, (066) 9767312, (087) 9061255
Friday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638, (087) 6584479

Coronavirus Prayer this Weary Winter

Jesus Christ, Light of the World

You understand what it is like to feel alone in suffering

Remain with us as we continue
to endure the coronavirus pandemic
Awaken our hearts as bear witness
to sacrifice, sickness and even death

In these dark months we cry, "How long, O Lord?"
Help us to watch and pray for signs of your hope.

When we feel forgotten and lonely, help us to find solidarity

When we cannot see your face
help us to see you in others
When we feel sorrow in our souls
help us to know the joy of the Gospel
When we feel only grief in our hearts
help us to find consolation

As we walk through this darkness,
remind us that bright days are ahead.
Give light to our eyes and let us show that light to others

Even in winter, when the ground appears barren,
it is warmed by the light of your creation;
seeds are nourished and green shoots
are pushing up toward the sun.

Jesus Christ, be our Light.

Míle buíochas

A sincere word of thanks to all who have contributed financially to the parish in 2020. We look forward to your continued support through the envelope system in the year ahead.

If you would like to begin contributing through the envelope system, please contact the Parish Office and we will forward a box of envelopes to you.

A special word of thanks too to our Parish Station Representatives who distribute the boxes of envelopes each year. There are still some areas to be collected. Please contact the parish office.

Cromane Church

A secure box has been placed in the back of Cromane Church for all church envelopes. Please use at Mass time and also outside of Mass hours.

ACCORD

Until at least May 2021, ACCORD pre-marriage courses will take place live, on-line via Zoom, with up to 12 couples.

The courses will be interactive and delivered by two Presenters. Contact accordkillarney@gmail.com or accordtralee@gmail.com

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manages a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. Call 0818 222 024. The support line is open seven days a week, from 8.00am to 8.00pm each day.

Gaelscoil Naomh Séamus

Enrolment is now open for September 2021 at Gaelscoil Naomh Séamus, Douglas. For more enrolment information, enrolment form and to learn more about the Gaelscoil, go to www.gaelscoilnaomhseamas.com or contact eolas@gaelscoilnaomhseamas.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Don't hesitate to contact Killorglin SVP if you need help.
Emergency mobile number: (087) 7826529