

Killorglin Parish

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www.dioceseofkerry.ie

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MASS TIMES

St. James' Church, Killorglin

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

Sunday 12.00pm

Monday 10.30am

Tuesday 10.30am

Thursday 6.30pm

Friday 10.30am

All Masses will be livestreamed

<https://www.mcn.live/Camera/killorglin-st-james-church>

Star of the Sea Church, Cromane

Sunday 10.00am

Holydays, First Friday 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS

in St. James' Church, Killorglin

on two Saturdays every month,

12.00 - 12.30pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

in St. James' Church, Killorglin

on Tuesday, 11.00am - 7.00pm

Funeral Masses

If you would like a Funeral Mass in St. James' recorded, please request this of the Parish Office, on the day beforehand.

Funeral Masses can also be livestreamed from Star of the Sea

21st April 2024

God's Name is Mercy

Pope Francis' emphasis on the link between mercy and evangelization has cast new light on the risen Christ as the Good Shepherd.

In today's Gospel, the risen Jesus gathers his disciples, who were scattered like sheep when he was arrested and executed. His first words to them are of peace – total forgiveness for their cowardice in his hour of need.

The image of lost sheep describes many people today including Catholics who have wandered away or feel abandoned by the Church. The thought that there is someone out there searching for them, eager to rescue them from the brambles of human temptation and entanglement, to bind up their wounds, lift them up on strong shoulders and carry them home – is a comforting message.

Mercy is first aid, no questions asked. The word 'mercy' comes from the French 'merci' meaning thanks, but it also means reward and is associated with the word 'merit' meaning reward. Mercy is therefore the reward that the Lord bestows on those who show unconditional kindness towards one's fellow human beings who didn't expect it or didn't deserve it. Mercy is the unexpected kindness towards others with no strings attached.

Pope Francis' vision of a merciful church does not dismiss the need for justice or accountability; he simply puts mercy first. The prodigal son, the ultimate lost sheep, might never have come home if he thought his father would only scold, belittle or punish him. In his desolate state, the son must have sensed that his father was grieving for him and wanted him to turn homeward. In fact the story suggests that it was the father's longing, his daily walks to the gate to see if his son was on his way, which prompted the son to consider coming home.

The Good Shepherd will not give up on a single sheep. He knows each one by name and loves him or her so much he is willing to lay down his life to save each individual. There is no talk of 'cutting his losses' or the kind of 'tough love' that lets a rebellious child suffer the consequences of his/her own actions before there can be any intervention or negotiated return home.

God's unconditional love springs into action at the first sign of regret or repentance. As Pope Francis has said, 'We may tire of asking for God's forgiveness, but God never tires of offering it'. God's name is Mercy. He cannot do otherwise for it is God's very nature to love and forgive.

Today's Gospel is for anyone responsible for others – parents, teachers, doctors and priests. Anyone entrusted with others who are vulnerable and need guidance has a model in the Good Shepherd. Their office cannot be just control or direction from a distance. A true shepherd goes among the sheep with humility and gentleness, until he or she, in the words of Pope Francis, 'smells like sheep!'

Confessions

There are confessions in St. James Church, from 12.00 - 12.30pm, on announced Saturdays. The next date is Saturday 27th April. Confessions will be heard in the new Prayer Space.

Baptism

Baptisms will take place in St. James' Church on

Saturday 11th May 4.30pm

Sunday 12th May 1.00pm

Saturday 25th May 4.30pm

Sunday 26th May 1.00pm

Baptisms will take place in the Star of the Sea Church, Cromane, on Sunday after morning Mass, by arrangement. Please arrange your baby's Baptism through the Parish Office.

Trócaire

Please remember to return your Trócaire Box.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration takes place in St. James Church, on Tuesday, from 11.00am - 7.00pm.

Diocesan Collection

The annual collection for *Peter's Pence* will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.

This collection supports Pope Francis' ministry and his many charitable initiatives.

Golden Jubilee

Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

with assisted Pilgrims

29th August - 3rd September

led by Bishop Ray

Direct flight to Lourdes ex Kerry Airport

Total cost: €925 (€740 Assisted Pilgrims)

Enquiries/bookings:

(087) 9318976, pilgrimage@dioceseofkerry.ie

Remember our Dead

Died Recently:	Norah Guilfoyle nee Murphy, Iveragh Park & Caragh Lake Maureen O'Sullivan nee Cahillane, Sunhill, Mill Road & San Francisco		
Anniversaries:	Michael "Mick" O'Connell, Rangué & Muiríoch John D. Griffin, Cromane Upper John Paul O'Brien, Annascaul	John & Bridie Cronin, Glencuttane Mary McDonnell, Cromane Upper	Mary O'Sullivan, Milltown Bernie Glazier, Tralee

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

Monday 22 nd April	10.30am	For the People of the Parish
Tuesday, 23 rd April	10.30am	John & Ellen Horgan, Coomcloghane; Patrick & Julia O'Connor, Glencar
Thursday, 25 th April	6.30pm	Maurice Roche, Sunhill, Mitchelstown & Upper Bridge Street; Angela Ahern nee Cronin, Mountain View & Lyre, Milltown; John Galvin, Tulligbeg & Boston; Betty Corkery, Bansha; Ted & Joan Curran, Coolbane; Patrick & Julia Doona, Shanara Upper; Ellen, Dan, Pat & John Joe Cahill, Shanara Lower; Denis Foley, "Goretti House", Dromin; Joe & Mary Griffin, Cluen; Willie & Joan Griffin, Clooncarrig; Margaret & Pat Joe Houlihan, Bertie Houlihan, Bridget Taylor & the deceased members of the Houlihan family, Knocklyne; Timothy & Helen Kennedy, Tinnahalla; John & Eileen Sheehan, Bansha; Jeremiah, Francis & Mary McKenna, Steelroe; Moira & Sinéad O'Sullivan, Clover Hill; Catherine & Timothy Stack, Michael Stack, Tinnahalla; Michael Whelan, Muingaphuca
Friday, 26 th April	10.30am	Jerry & Eileen Coughlan, Cork
Saturday, 27 th April	6.00pm	Kathleen Hoare, Upper Tullig
Sunday, 28 th April	12.00pm	Patrick Sheehan, Glencuttane

Mass Intentions for the coming week in Star of the Sea Church, Cromane

Sunday, 28 th April	10.00am	Michael Riordan, Liss; Michael G. Riordan, Cromane Cross
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Killorglin Pastoral Area

Priest on Duty this Sunday

*In emergency always ring your own Priest first.
Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638*

If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

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

Ministries for next weekend

St. James Church, Killorglin, 27th & 28th April

	Vigil	Reader <i>Denis O'Connor</i>
	Eucharistic Minister	<i>Noreen Cahillane</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Jack Moloney, Cillian Gleeson, Matthew Cahill, Avery O'Sullivan</i>
12.00pm	Reader	<i>Mary McKenna</i>
	Eucharistic Minister	<i>James Cashman</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Oisín Griffin, Danielle Lynch, Rian McCann, Ava O'Shea Joy</i>
Star of the Sea Church, Cromane, 28th April		
	Reader	<i>Mary McDonald</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Daire Harkin, Ryan O'Sullivan, Darragh O'Connor</i>

Livestreaming & Broadcasting

All Masses are livestreamed from St. James' Church
<https://www.mcn.live/Camera/killorglin-st-james-church>
 The webcam captures images of individuals who sit in the first two seats of the centre aisle. Please sit in another part of the Church if you do not wish your image to be broadcast in this way.

Confirmation 2024

Congratulations to the pupils of Scoil Mhuire who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday last and every blessing to the pupils of Gaelscoil Naomh Seamas, Glounaguillagh and Scoil Réalt na Mara who will receive the Sacrament on Friday 26th April, at 5.00pm.

World Day of Vocations 2024

Sunday 21st April

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St. James Church, from 1.00pm - 3.00pm, on Sunday to pray for vocations.
 Organised by the *Vocations Society of Saint Joseph*

Invitation

The Poor Clares in Carlow invite women, aged 22 to 40 years, for a cuppa and a chat to find out more about the Poor Clare life on Saturday 4th May, from 2.30pm to 4.30pm.
 If you are interested email poorclaresvoc@gmail.com

Postgraduate and Mission & Ministries Programmes

at St. Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth
 Programme applications close from 30th June to 30th August for different programmes. Visit sppu.ie/courses for more information.

Walking the Camino

The Missionaries of the Sacred Heart invite you to join in their walk of the Camino Ingles from Ferrol to Santiago from 29th July - 5th August.
 For more details of this fundraising pilgrimage, ring Mary at (021) 4546691, mary.morrish@mscmissions.ie

Killorglin Woman 2000

The women's social group meets every Tuesday, from 10.30am to 12.30pm, in St Michael's, Iveragh Road. Women of all ages from the greater Killorglin area are welcome to join.

Bingo

♦ in the CYMS, on Sunday night at 8.30pm