# Killorglin Parish

Parish Priest Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638

#### **Parish Office**

The Presbytery, Castleconway Monday - Friday, 9.30am - 1.00pm

## **Diocesan Website** www.dioceseofkerry.ie

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

#### **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

## EUCHARISTIC 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 Church, Cromane.

### 21<sup>st</sup> September 2025

#### Let's Get Serious

The Parable of the Unjust Steward, is arguably the most controversial of all of Jesus's parables. The steward has a track record of undermining his master's financial interests. But when the master discovers everything that has taken place, rather than become angry at the steward, he praises him instead.

What is going on? Jesus is using a story to grab our attention and shake us out of our complacency. With that in mind, several things can be said about the proper interpretation of the passage.

To begin with, we should notice that the master praises the unjust steward not for his dishonesty but for his prudence. Clearly, then, the steward in question is not being held up as a paragon of virtue.

While the moral conduct of the steward leaves something to be desired, the urgency with which he faces his predicament is admirable. In this sense, Jesus sees that the unjust steward is willing to go to extreme lengths to save his livelihood, how much more so should Christians be willing to go to extreme lengths to save their souls.

Jesus is expressing His frustration at the fact that the people of this world often seem to show more resolve and acumen in tending to their worldly problems than Christians do in tending to their spiritual problems. And so, despite his many flaws, the unjust steward reacts to his plight in a manner which Christians should learn from. For one, thing, the steward knows he is in a crisis, and he never tries to pretend otherwise; Jesus is reminding his listeners that they too must recognise the spiritual crisis of sin which they find themselves in.

Finally, the unjust steward acts, and he does so decisively. Realising his "judgment day" is drawing near, he wastes no time in using his master's beneficence to get himself out of the hole in which he finds themself. Here, too, he shines forth as an unlikely but legitimate role model for Christians to follow.

Just as the dishonest steward recognises his predicament and moves with great urgency to set things right, likewise Christians are called to reject all spiritual complacency. The central lesson of the Parable of the Unjust Steward, it seems, is that we need to take our eternal salvation seriously.

"At least if we recognise that we sin, know that we are individually at war, we may go to war as warriors do, with something of valour and zest and even mirth."

Henry Fairlie

#### A Word of Thanks

I write to say thanks for the welcome, hospitality and kindness extended to me on my visit to Killorglin last weekend, 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> September 2025.

Killorglin Parish is a powerful example of engaging with and commitment to the care of creation. I rejoice with you that – the world sings of infinite Love' (Pope Francis, Laudate Deum).

Bishop Martin Hayes

#### Each of Us has a Role

We are part of the unfathomable weave of the universe, immersed in its deep mystery. Its dance has already begun, it has always been in process. Each of us has a role in it. every moment and every event in every person's life plants seeds of spiritual vitality in their hearts. This is the divine at work on Earth: this is grace, and grace is everywhere. All is sacred, and so are we. We must not desecrate our Common Home. We belong to the great Creation Story, to a whole that is infinitely greater than ourselves. Brian Grogan SJ, Creation Walk 90-91

#### Confessions

There are Confessions in St. James Church on two Saturdays in the month, from 12.00 - 12.30pm.

The next date is 27<sup>th</sup> September.

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

in St. James Church, on Tuesday from 11.00am - 6.00pm

#### **Christian Meditation**

Our Christian Meditation group meets on Wednesday, in the Prayer Room, in St. James Church, at 6.30pm.

#### Remember our Dead

**Anniversaries:** Patrick O'Connor, "Melrose", West Laharn

Julia May Corkery, Tulligbeg & Watford, England Tommy Costello, Upper Bridge Street & Gurrane East John Riordan, Dooks
John Arthur McCarthy, Cromane Lower

Mass Intentions for the coming week in St. James' Church, Killorglin			
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	10.30am	For the People of the Parish	
Tuesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	10.30am	William O'Sullivan, Tinnahalla & London	
Thursday, 25 <sup>th</sup> September	6.30pm	Hannah Cahill, Ardnacnockeen; Trevor Foley, Cromane Upper; Pat & Chris Ahern, Mick Ahern, Tulligbeg; Noel Clifford, Dromin; Teddy Clifford, Altavilla; Sheila Concannon, Killorglin; Tadgh Costello, Gurrane East; Kathleen Griffin, Tinnahalla; David O'Sullivan, Reen; John & Anna Sheehan, St. James Gardens; Michael & Gary Sheehan, Laune View & Coventry	
Friday, 26 <sup>th</sup> September	10.30am	Pat Kissane, Rangue	
Saturday, 27 <sup>th</sup> September	6.00pm	Dem O'Sullivan, Laune View & Glenbeigh	
Sunday, 28 <sup>th</sup> September	12.00pm	Timmy O'Connor, Reen	
Mass Intentions for the coming week in Star of the Sea Church, Cromane			
Sunday, 28 <sup>th</sup> September	10.00am	Patsy Teahan, Cromane Lower	

#### **Killorglin Pastoral Area**

#### **Priest on Duty this Sunday**

In emergency always ring your own Priest first. Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (087) 2432155

If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

Monday: Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (087) 2432155

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Wednesday: Fr. Fergal Ryan, (087) 2408540

Thursday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638

Friday: Fr. Timothy Kiplagat, (087) 0009181

Ministries for next weekend			
<b>St. James Church, Killorglin,</b> 27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> September			
Vigil	Reader	Pat Cahill	
	Eucharistic Minister	Margaret Foley	
12.00pm	Reader	Maura O'Boyle	
	Eucharistic Minister	Eoghan O'Grady, Fiona O'Shea	
Star of the Sea Church, Cromane, 28 <sup>th</sup> September			
	Reader	Eibhlín Duffy Hayes	

#### **Livestreaming & Broadcasting**

Bláthnaid O'Riordan

Altar Servers

All Masses are livestreamed from St. James' Church: <a href="https://www.mcn.live/Camera/killorglin-st-james-church">https://www.mcn.live/Camera/killorglin-st-james-church</a>
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 captured in this way.

#### **Why Sunday Matters**

The Irish Catholic Bishops' Pastoral Letter, **Why Sunday Matters** – *an invitation to reflect on Sunday Mass* and the accompanying video series, **Sunday Mass** - **Digging Deeper**, can be downloaded from the diocesan website, **www.dioceseofkerry.ie** 

#### Listen to Horizons on Radio Kerry

Sunday mornings at 9.00am - Communicating the Christian message.

#### **Feastdays and Readings for Weekday Masses**

 Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>
 Ezra 1: 1-6.
 Lk 8:16-18.

 Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>
 St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) Priest

 Ezra 6: 7-8, 12, 14-20.
 Lk 8: 19-21.

 Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>
 Hg 1: 1-8
 Lk 9: 7-9.

 Friday 26<sup>th</sup>
 Hg 1: 15-2: 9.
 Lk 9: 18-22.

Vocations Afternoon with the Poor Clare Sisters, Cork on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September from 2.00 - 4.00pm If you are considering a religious vocation, email vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com or write to Poor Clare Monastery, College Road, Cork.

#### **Free Self-Improvement Course for Women**

This 10-week course will commence on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, at 7.00 - 9.30pm, in the Community & Family Centre, Market Street Register: (066) 9662933, <u>killorglinfamilycentre@gmail.com</u>

#### The Empowerment Hub

The Empowerment Hub will offer personalised One-to-One and small group support in Reading & Writing, Digital Literacy, Financial Literacy and more to support your journey in literacy, digital skills and lifelong learning, in Killorglin Library on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> and in the ABE Centre, The Lodge on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October, from 10.00am to 12.00pm, for 7 weeks.

To book your free session or find out more, please contact Elaine Clifford on (086) 7969625 or <a href="mailto:elaine.clifford@staff.kerryetb.ie">elaine.clifford@staff.kerryetb.ie</a>

#### Health, Safety & Wellbeing of Farmers & their Families

Join Maine Valley FRC in celebrating farmers' positive health, safety and wellbeing in Mid Kerry/Milltown Mart on Tuesday  $16^{th}$  &  $23^{rd}$  of September and Saturday  $4^{th}$  October, from 10.00am - 2.00pm.

#### **Bingo**

◆in the CYMS, on Sunday night at 8.30pm◆in Jack's, Cromane, on Tuesday night, at 8.00pm

#### Ciorcal Comhrá

in O'Grady's, on Friday, at 1.00pm