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 Sunday10.00am 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 - 6.00pm

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.

Waiting in Hope

Waiting in line is part of the Christmas experience, whether we like it or not! The next time you find yourself in a queue, be it in a shop or a bank, take the time to observe the other people in the line. See how they wait for their turn to arrive. There might be a person who is tapping their foot and checking their watch every 15 seconds. Another one might be daydreaming and not moving along even though there is space to go forward. There is a good chance that someone person will be texting furiously and using the time to make plans. We all wait in our own way.

If truth be told, for many of us, waiting for someone or something can make us agitated. We have become unaccustomed to waiting. The pace of life is so fast that we feel that waiting is a waste of time when there are so many things to be done. Waiting has become a necessary evil.

The reason that we are waiting will determine our state of mind and mood. If we are waiting for an old friend that we have not seen in ages, then the waiting is filled with happy expectation. If we are waiting for exam results or a medical test, then our waiting might be filled with anxiety and stress.

The season of Advent is a time of waiting for all of us. But it is up to us to decide whether the time is spent in a state of hope and joy, or whether it is a time of stress and agitation.

Today is Gaudete Sunday - a day that we are called to rejoice and look forward with hope to the celebration of Christmas. The great thing about Advent is that we do not have to wait in fear and dread. The joy that permeates this season is rooted in the certainty that God will fulfil his promises to us.

So, let us stop looking at our watches this season, and wait in joyful expectation for the One who spoke these words to John's disciples; "Go back and tell John what you see and hear; The blind see again, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised to life, and the Good News is proclaimed to the poor; and happy is the one who does not lose faith in me."

It will be worth the wait.

Lord Jesus,
Master of both the light
and the darkness,
send your Holy Spirit upon our
preparation for Christmas.

We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.

We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us.

We who are blessed in so many ways long for

the complete joy of your Kingdom.

We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.

We are your people, walking in darkness yet seeking the light.

To you we say "Come, Lord Jesus". Amen.

Henri Nouwen

Have Your Say about your Catholic School
The Department of Education is currently

conducting a Primary School Survey that will determine the future provision of Primary Schools. In simple terms, you are being asked if you want your school to stay a Catholic school or if you want that to change .

Have your say before 16 December 2025.

See - https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/

The Divine Office during Advent

During the season of Advent, there will be an opportunity to join with others in praying the Divine Office in St. James' Church. We gather on each Thursday evening at 6:00pm, and each Saturday morning at 9:00am.

The prayers will take place in the Prayer Room near Our Lady's Altar. All are welcome - the text for the prayers will be provided.

Eucharistic Adoration

There is Eucharistic Adoration in St. James Church, every Tuesday, 11.00am - 6.00pm.

Christian Meditation Group

Please note - our Parish Meditation Group will not meet on Wednesday 17th December, but will return as usual after Christmas.

Remember our Dead

Died Recently: Jean Luc Jegouzo, Iveragh Road & France

Eugene O'Sullivan, Tooreenasliggaun

Michael O'Reilly, Cromane Lower & Mylough, Co. Galway Bridie Walsh nee Joy, 3 St. Brendan's Terrace, Steelroe & London

Anniversaries: Hannah Murphy, School Cross, Caragh Lake

Betty O'Dwyer, Lynch Heights

Eugene O'Shea, Dooks

Mass Intentions for the coming week in St. James' Church, Killorglin			
Monday 15 th December	10.30am	For the People of the Parish	
Tuesday, 16 th December	10.30am	Raymond & Eileen McCarthy, Margaret, Jeremiah & Brendan McCarthy, Rangue	
Thursday, 18 th December	6.30pm	Kitty Joy, "Heather Lodge", Caragh Lake; Eugene & Sheila Ahern, 17 St. James Gardens; Bernie Costello, London & Gurrane West; John, Sheila & Danny Doona, Dromin; Vincent Evans, Reeks View; John Fallon, Michael & Kathleen Russell, Anglont Tommy & Mary Fallon, Glenbeigh; James & Mary Foley, Corroballa, William & Mary O'Sullivan, Dromin, Tadhg & Hannah O'Sullivan, Dromin & the deceased members of the O'Sullivan & Foley families; Margaret & Johnny Galvin, Garaghadoo; Eugene Griffin, Coolbane; Thomas Hearne, Tinnahalla & Tralee; Michael Houlihan, Dromore House, Gurrane West; the Lynch family, Muingaphuca; Martin & Kay McGillycuddy, the deceased members of the McGillycuddy family and Chrissie Foley, 22 St. James Gardens; Thomas & Elizabeth Moriarty, Glencar, Listry & Watford; Patrick, Bridget & James Murphy, Coomnafanida; John Murphy, New York; Tom O'Connor, Coolbane; Daniel & Margaret O'Donoghue, Reen; Jeremiah "Darby" O'Donoghue & the O'Donoghue family, Douglas; Breda & Timothy O'Shea, Ballycleave; Patrick O'Shea, Lower Bridge Street & Kielduff, Tralee; Sylvester & Sheila O'Shea, Annadale Road; Donal Prendiville, Sunhill; Eoin Spillane, Curraheen, Glenbeigh; Margaret & Tom O'Sullivan, Langford Street and the deceased members of the O'Sullivan & Spillane families; Bill Walshe, Market Street & Castleisland	
Friday, 19 th December	10.30am	Timmy & Bridie O'Mahony, Patrick O'Shea, James Cunningham, Caragh Lake	
Saturday, 20 th December	6.00pm	John Horgan, Coomcloghane	
Sunday, 21 st December	12.00pm	Margaret "Peggy" O'Sullivan, Sunhill	
Mass Intentions for the coming week in Star of the Sea Church, Cromane			
Sunday, 21 st December	10.00am	Sheila & Stephen Scales, Cromane Lower; Elaine Slater nee Scales	

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. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638

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

 Wednesday:
 Fr. Fergal Ryan, (087) 2408540

 Thursday:
 Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638

 Friday:
 Fr. Timothy Kiplagat, (087) 0009181

Ministries for next weekend			
St. James Church, Killorglin, 20 th & 21 st December			
Vigil	Reader	Anne Waterson	
	Eucharistic Minister	Noreen Cahillane	
	Altar Servers	Hayley Walker, Julia Seagrave, Rachel Seagrave, Ellie O'Grady	
12.00pm	Reader	Robert Murphy	
	Eucharistic Minister	Freda Purcell, Nóirín O'Grady	
	Altar Servers	Lily McCarthy, Cara McCarthy, Niamh McCarthy, Caitlin McCarthy, Molly Kate Moynihan	
:	Star of the Sea Church, Cromane, 21st December		
	Reader	Louise Farrell	
	Altar Servers	Olivia Doyle, Hetty Doyle	

Feastdays and Readings for Weekday Masses

Monday 15th Num 24: 2-7, 15-17. Mt 21: 23-27. Tuesday 16th Zeph 3: 1-2, 9-13. Mt 21: 28-32. Thursday 18th Jer 23: 5-8. Mt 1: 18-24. Friday 19th Jg 13: 2-7, 24-25. Lk 1: 5-25.

Livestreaming & Broadcasting

All Masses are livestreamed from St. James' Church:

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

Recordings up to end of December 2024 will be removed from our web camera on Friday 19th December 2025.

Trócaire's Christmas Gifts of Change

Vulnerable communities across the world are being supported by Trócaire's Gifts of Change & Trócaire Christmas Cards. You can pick up a *Gifts of Change* catalogue in St. James Church. Trócaire Christmas Cards are available locally.

Cromane Active Retired Annual Dinner

on Sunday 14th December at Jack's Please note time: **1.00pm**

Purcell's Christmas Lights, Sunhill, V93 Y2H7 Every night from 5.30 - 9.30pm, until 10th January

Sounds of the Season

A Christmas Concert with Conor Prendiville & Rebecca Warren in St. Michael's, Iveragh Road on Saturday 20th December at 7.00pm
Tickets at the door.