

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 - 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.

11th January 2026

Let it Be

Jesus has come "from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him". It's something John never expected or foresaw. He didn't plan on this. "I need to be baptized by you," he says to Jesus, "and do you come to me"? Baptizing Jesus does not fit John's expectations of who Jesus is and what he will do. Everything about this moment is contrary to what John believes, wants, and expects.

Circumstances crop up in our own lives that goes against what we expect or want. What do we do when our prayers are not answered, our expectations are not met? What do we do when our life is interrupted?

Today's gospel sets before us two choices. We can either resist, forbid, and try to prevent what is coming to us, which is what John wants to do. Or we can permit it and "let it be," which is what Jesus tells John to do.

"Let it be so now," Jesus says to John. "Then he consented." What if that is to be our way too? What if Jesus is saying to us, "Let it be so now?" What if we too are being asked to consent?

The consent to which Jesus calls us isn't simply about giving up, acquiescing, approving, or agreeing. It doesn't mean we have to like or want what is happening. It does, however, mean that we face it and deal with it.

Consent means we show up to our life and be present to whatever is before us and whatever is coming to us, even if it is difficult, painful, or the last thing we wanted. Consent isn't about being in control or having all the answers. It means we don't turn back or run away from what is in front of us.

Consent doesn't mean passively accepting whatever happens. It means actively giving ourselves to the circumstances, relationships, and people before us. It's an act of risk and vulnerability. And it's a profession of faith, hope, and love. It means staying open and remaining receptive to whatever in that moment is being asked of us in the name of God.

That is how Jesus lived his life. His life was a continual yes to the world; he lived a life of consent.

He consented to bring good news to the poor;
He consented to welcome the outsider and foreigner;
He consented to hospitality for the hungry and thirsty;
He consented to compassion and healing for the blind, deaf, and lame;
He consented to struggle with God and himself in the Garden of Gethsemane;
He consented to courage and perseverance as he took up and carried his cross;
He consented to reconcile with Peter after being denied by him three times;
He consented to humility when soldiers mocked and beat him;

Jesus never turned away, backed down, or withheld his consent. He was present and showed up to whoever or whatever was before him. Every time Jesus consented he stepped into the river of humanity and immersed himself in the waters of life. Every time we consent we too wade into the deep waters of life. "Let it be so now."

Godparents

To be a Godparent is an honour and a privilege, but it is also a commitment: Choosing someone to be a Godparent means that you would like this person to be in a special relationship with your child. The Godparent is to be a guardian and helper in every way but especially in matters of the Spirit and Christian faith. Your child is being baptised in the Catholic faith, parents and godparents make solemn promises during the ceremony. For this reason, a Godparent should be at least 16 years of age; a Catholic who has received the sacraments of Baptism, Confession, Holy Communion and Confirmation: and someone who regularly attends Mass.

Prayer for your Godchild

*Beloved godchild,
grow and grow with wild abandonment
and in the safety of God's loving embrace.
May you be kind.
May you know deep love, care, and friendship.
May you come to embrace
your faith and identity.
May you always know how loved you are.
You are a unique creation of God's,
are loved into being, just as you are!
May you know the miracle of your smile,
laughter, tears, sadness, despair, and joy.
May you be gentle with yourself
as you continue to grow and explore a life
beyond your knowing.
May God bless you, always.*

Remember our Dead

Died Recently: Eileen Roche nee Twiss, Callinafersey
Vincent O'Connor, Lonhart
Myra Chaldicott nee Byrne, Tulligmore

Anniversaries: Margaret Buckley, 5 Mountain View
Hannah O'Riordan, Reen
Nuala Morrison nee Doyle, Laune View

Patrick O'Connell Jnr., Castleconway
Michael O'Reilly, Farrantoreen
Dan Knightly, Dromin

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

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| Monday 12 th January | 10.30am | For the People of the Parish |
| Tuesday, 13 th January | 10.30am | Patrick "Paddy" Lynch & the deceased members of the Lynch family, Muingaphuca |
| Thursday, 15 th January | 6.30pm | John Waterson, Dunmaniheen |
| Friday, 16 th January | 10.30am | Pat McKenna, 3 St. Brendan's Terrace, Steelroe |
| Saturday, 17 th January | 6.00pm | Thomas O'Grady, Ownagarry |
| Sunday, 18 th January | 12.00pm | Francis Timothy Kelliher, Kilgobnet & New South Wales, Australia |

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

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| Sunday, 18 th January | 10.00am | Adrian Moore, Upper Tullig |
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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

St. James Church, Killorglin, 17th & 18th January

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| Vigil | Reader | James Murphy |
| | Eucharistic Minister | Denise Purcell |
| | Altar Servers | Caoimhe O'Connor, Adele O'Keeffe, Caoimhe Sheehan, Aine O'Connor, Aoibhinn Gamble |
| 12.00pm | Reader | Jerome Conway |
| | Eucharistic Minister | Eoghan O'Grady, Fiona O'Shea |
| | Altar Servers | Lily McCarthy, Cara McCarthy, Niamh McCarthy, Caitlin McCarthy, Molly Kate Moynihan |
| Star of the Sea Church, Cromane, 18 th January | | |
| | Reader | Johanna King |
| | Altar Servers | Bláthnaid O'Riordan, Réiltín O'Shea |

Livestreaming & Broadcasting

All Masses are livestreamed from St. James' Church:
<https://www.mcn.live/Camera/killorglin-st-james-church>

Listen to Horizons on Radio Kerry

Sunday mornings at 9.00am -
Communicating the Christian message.

Feastdays and Readings for Weekday Masses

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| Monday 12 th | 1 Sm 1: 1-8. | Mk 1: 14-20. |
| Tuesday 13 th | 1 Sm 1: 9-20. | Mk 1: 21-28. |
| Thursday 15 th | St. Ita, virgin | |
| | 1 Sm 4: 1-11. | Mk 1: 40-45. |
| | St. Ita, was born in Co. Waterford of noble and Christian parents. Early on, she set her mind on serving Christ in religious life. She founded a monastery in Killeedy, Co. Limerick. She was given the title, 'foster mother of the saints of Ireland'. St. Ita died in 570. | |
| Friday 16 th | 1 Sm 8: 4-7. | Mk 2: 1-12. |

Confessions

There are Confessions in St. James Church on two Saturdays in the month, from 12.00 - 12.30pm. The next date is 24th January. Confessions are always available on request.

Eucharistic Adoration

There is Eucharistic Adoration, in St. James Church, every 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.

Diocesan Collection

The annual collection for the *Needs of the Holy Land* will be taken up at all Masses next weekend.

This collection provides assistance to Christian communities in the Holy Land to help them to continue living there. Dispensaries, Centres of Education, Housing projects and Charitable Institutes are funded.

In Memory of Carmel Murphy

There will be a First Anniversary Service for Carmel Murphy, in St. Michael's Church, Iveragh Road, on Thursday 15th January, at 7.00pm. All are welcome.

Chime Free Private & Confidential Outreach Clinic

in the Day Care Centre, Market Street, on Wednesday 14th January from 2.00 – 4.00pm, offering support, advice, and information. An appointment is required - call Jerry Kelleher, (087) 3747327

Ciorcal Comhrá

Tá an Coircal Comhrá ar ais!
on Fridays, in O'Grady's, at 1.00pm