

Killorglin Parish

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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](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.

His Heart was Moved

The ongoing tragedy of warfare unfolds in the Middle East, Ukraine and South Sudan on a daily basis. It is hard to keep up with these terrible events. The scale of the tragedies is hard to imagine. But it is worth asking ourselves 2 questions. Were we moved by these events? Were we even aware that they had taken place?

The refugee situation caused by warfare is a humanitarian crisis, but it is more than that. It also reflects a spiritual crisis, an inability to feel compassion. The indifference of governments is also reflected in the indifference of us as individuals.

Movements of the heart come to mind in this Sunday's Gospel. Jesus' compassion anchors his own mission and moves his heart to send out the Twelve on missions of their own. The opening line from today's Gospel provides a glimpse into Jesus' inner dialogue. "At the sight of the crowds," writes Matthew, "Jesus' heart was moved with pity for them...like sheep without a shepherd" (Mt 9:36). Jesus is "moved from within" at the sight of large crowds in need.

Throughout the opening chapters of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus revealed his mission by teaching, healing, and preaching in the synagogues. This never-ending work seems like a recipe for burnout and emotional numbness to the plight of others. Instead, Jesus draws on the strength of his compassion from deep within to guide his role as shepherd.

Jesus and the first disciples let compassion pierce their own hearts and reaped great abundance. His disciples today must do the same. Whether their mission is one of accompaniment and advocacy for the plight of refugees or one that confronts other forces that harm body and soul, what sustains this responsibility is the same compassion that moved Jesus.

Unless Christ's disciples who continue labouring for the harvest are pierced by the same cries of hurting humanity that moved him, the church will never be able to respond to its call. Only when the hearts of disciples are in sync with Christ's can this compassion come through clearly and can the church fulfil its mission.

Mission Appeal

We welcome Fr. Martin Kelly, Fr. John Brown and Fr. Pat Palmer, Spiritan Fathers, to our Parish Masses this weekend. They will share their own mission experiences and will tell us about the work of the Spiritans throughout the world.

Pilgrimage to Knock

The annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 22nd August, the Feast Day of the Queenship of Mary. There will be a bus from Killorglin - details to follow.

