

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>

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.

16th August 2026

Jesus Belongs to Everyone

A pagan woman takes the initiative of approaching Jesus even though she doesn't belong to the Jewish people. She's an upset mother whose life has been one of suffering with a daughter 'tormented by a demon'. She comes to him shouting: "Lord, Son of David, take pity on me". Jesus' first reaction is surprising. He doesn't even seem to listen to her. In his mind, the hour has not yet come to bring the Good News of God to the pagans.

Still the woman doesn't give up. Prepared to overcome every difficulty and resistance, in a bold gesture she prostrates at Jesus' feet, stopping him in his tracks, and on her knees she just shouts out: "Lord, help me".

Jesus' response is unusual and rather shocking. Though in that age the Jews called the pagans 'dogs' without blinking an eye, his words sound offensive to our ears: "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to little dogs". Taking up his image the quick-witted woman dares to correct him from her point of view: "Ah yes, Lord; but even little dogs eat the scraps that fall from their masters' table".

This Canaanite woman's attitude deserves our admiration. Surely at the Father's table everyone can be fed: the children of Israel and also the pagan dogs. Jesus seems to be thinking only about the 'lost sheep' of Israel, but she too is a 'lost sheep'.

The One Sent by God cannot belong to the Jews only. He needs to belong to everyone and be for everyone. This he warmly accepts when faced by the woman's faith. His response reveals both his humility and his greatness: "Woman, you have great faith! Let your desire be granted". This woman discovers that God's mercy doesn't exclude anyone.

The Good Father is above the ethnic and religious barriers that we humans have set up. Any human being can come to Jesus confidently. He knows how to recognize their faith though they live away from the Church.

"Let us go to Jesus, knock on Jesus's heart and say to Him: "Lord, if You will it, you can heal me!" And we can do this if we understand what Christ's heart is like, what Jesus's heart is like: a heart that feels compassion, that bears our pains, that bears our sins, our mistakes, our failures". (Pope Francis)

Eucharistic Adoration

There will be Eucharistic Adoration in St. James Church, on Tuesday
from 11.00am - 6.00pm.

Stay Connected with Parish News on WhatsApp!

We have set up a WhatsApp notification service to keep you informed about all the latest events and notices from our parish. To sign up, simply text **089 469 8044** from your WhatsApp account and ask to be added to the parish list, **then save the number to your contacts**. Once added, you'll receive messages about any upcoming events and important notices. We use WhatsApp broadcast lists, which means only parish administrators will be able to see your phone number and send notifications.

We hope this new service helps you feel even more connected to the life of our parish. We look forward to staying in touch!

Remember our Dead

Died Recently:	John Linehan, Ardmoniel John Joe O'Sullivan, Rangué & Lonhart John McSweeney, Iveragh Park & Mountain View Noreen Lyons, Mountain View & Gurrane West
Anniversaries:	John Foley, Coolbane Paul & Mary Kingston, Market Street
	Lisa Cunningham, Dooks John O'Callaghan, Bandon

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

Monday 17 th August	10.30am	For the People of the Parish
Tuesday, 18 th August	10.30am	John & Sheila Browne, Muingaphuca
Thursday 20 th August	6.30pm	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>
Friday, 21 st August	10.30am	Sr. Marian (Anne) Moriarty, IBVM, The Square
Saturday, 22 nd August	6.00pm	Joan Lydon O'Gorman, 8A Iveragh Park
Sunday, 23 rd August	12.00pm	Michael & Bridget Foley, John Foley, Coolbane; Kathleen & Brendan Finnerty, Coolbane & Keel

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

Sunday, 23 rd August	10.00am	Mary & Denis Teahan, Cromane Lower; Denis Teahan Jr., Cromane Lower & Rossbeigh
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Killorglin Pastoral Area

Priest on Duty this Sunday

Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (087) 2432155

In emergency always ring your own Priest first.

If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

Monday:	<i>Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (087) 2432155</i>
Tuesday:	<i>Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (087) 2432155</i>
Wednesday:	<i>Fr. Fergal Ryan, (087) 2408540</i>
Thursday:	<i>Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638</i>
Friday:	<i>Fr. Timothy Kiplagat, (087) 0009181</i>

Ministries for next weekend

St. James Church, Killorglin, 22nd & 23rd August

Vigil	Reader	<i>Anne Sweeney</i>
	Eucharistic Minister	<i>Denis O'Connor</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Cillian Gleeson, Dara O'Brien, Adam Houlihan, Jack Moloney, Noah Cahalane</i>
12.00pm	Reader	<i>Anne Waterson</i>
	Eucharistic Minister	<i>Nóirín O'Grady, Freda Purcell, James Cashman</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Molly Kate Moynihan, Molly Moriarty, Lily Breen, Ciara Rose O'Shea Joy, Lucy McKenna</i>

Star of the Sea Church, Cromane, 23rd August

	Reader	<i>Louise Farrell</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Ryan O'Sullivan, April O'Shea</i>

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

Monday 17 th	<i>Our Lady of Knock</i> Ez 24: 15-24. Mt 19: 16-22. The story of Knock began on August 21 st 1879 when Our Lady, St. Joseph and St. John the Evangelist appeared at the south gable of Knock Parish Church. This apparition was witnessed by 15 people, young and old. On 19 th March 2021, Pope Francis declared Knock to be an International Shrine of Eucharistic & Marian Devotion.
Tuesday 18 th	Ez 28: 1-10. Mt 19: 23-30.
Thursday 20 th	<i>St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church</i> Ez 36: 23-28. Mt 22: 1-14. St. Bernard, 1090-1153, became a Cistercian monk at Citeaux in 1113 and was chosen Abbot of Clairvaux in 1115. He is the Patron of Gibraltar and beekeepers.
Friday 21 st	<i>St. Pius X, Pope</i> Ez 37: 1-14. Mt 22: 34-40. St. Pius X, 1835-1914, became Pope in 1903. He encouraged pastoral liturgy and sacramental practice, especially of frequent communion, to which he admitted young children.

Church Cleaning

We will gather to clean St. James Church, on Thursday 20th August from 1.00pm. Help is always appreciated.

Pilgrimage to Italy

The Killarney St. Pio Prayer group is organizing a pilgrimage to Italy, visiting Assisi and places associated with St. Pio. More information from Michael Clifford, (095) 1309835

Killarney Café

Wednesday 19th August, 11.00am - 1.00pm
Guest: Emily McCullagh, Mental Health Support Worker - SHINE
Coill na Darrach Community Room, V93 VXY8
The café provides a warm welcoming place for people to meet others who are also living with dementia/cognitive impairment, their carers and health and social care professionals. More information from Lynda Phillips, (087) 3556508

Samaritans Freephone 116 123

Samaritans Ireland offers free 24/7 emotional support 365 days a year for anyone who needs someone to listen.