

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.

20th September 2026

My Thoughts are not Your Thoughts

The core of today's Gospel parable is prefaced in God's word to Isaiah: "My thoughts are not your thoughts." It is difficult for us to justify in our minds and hearts the payment of the workers who arrived at the 11th hour. It just does not seem to be fair.

In Jesus' time the mentality of Judaism was that salvation could and must be earned. There were many commands which must be fulfilled, and people were divided into two classes, the righteous who were on the road to salvation by fulfilling the commands, and the unrighteous, outcasts despised by those who kept the law.

It was this idea of God that Jesus opposed by his emphasis on love, for in love there is no calculation of duties, rights and obligations; there is only an open-handed giving without counting the cost, and a grateful receiving. We can never say that we have earned our salvation, or anything from God, but can only stand humbly before him. If we reduce salvation to a commercial or accountancy attitude of reward and punishments from God, we forget the nature of love.

The parable of the vineyard-workers illustrates Jesus' teaching about grace and mercy. There are consequences to be drawn. As Pope Francis eloquently writes in *The Joy of the Gospel*: "The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel."

Prayer of Mercy and Compassion

*Oh gracious God,
enlighten my mind and heart
with truth, love, mercy,
gratitude and compassion.*

*Give me the courage
to follow you daily in faith, love and hope.
In my busy day help me
to think of you now and then.*

*Make me aware of
the needs of the people around me.
Help me to be grateful for what I have
and help those with so much less.
I ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.*

Words of Welcome

For the next number of weeks, Fr. Cliff Fumbelo, a diocesan priest from Zambia, will be looking after the day to day liturgies in the parish. Fr. Cliff has been studying in Maynooth for a number of years and has generously offered to lend a helping hand.

Another, significant boost to the parish will be the presence of Fr. Michael Fitzgerald. Fr. Michael has recently retired to Killorglin town having finished his ministry in Blarney Parish. He is known to many already as his holidays in Killorglin coincided each year to include August 10th to 12th!

Fr. Michael has also offered his help. We wish him well in his retirement and many years amongst us in Killorglin.

Open Day in our

Parish Laudato Sí Garden

Our Parish Biodiversity Group is hosting a Garden Talk and Visit in our Parish Laudato Si Garden, on Saturday 26th September, at 11.00am.

This year Fr. Billy Hoyne OFM, The Friary, Killarney, will join us to mark 400 years of the Franciscan Community in Kerry and to celebrate the 800th Anniversary of the death of St. Francis of Assisi, who continues to inspire us to care for our Common Home.

Our Guest Speaker this year is Mary Kiernan of Transition Kerry, a group that is working for a more sustainable county for all.

On the morning, there will be Information Tables, Guided Garden Visits.

All are welcome.

Job Vacancy for Part-time Administrator

St. John Paul II Pastoral Centre, Killarney, invites applications for the position of Administrator. This is a part-time permanent position (19 hours/week). Application is by way of online application, CVs will not be accepted. Download application form on www.dioceseofkerry.ie

Closing date for applications is 5.00 pm, on Thursday 24th September. Interviews will be held during week commencing 5th October. Garda Vetting will apply. The Diocese of Kerry is an equal opportunities employer. Enquiries:

diocesanpastoralcentre@dioceseofkerry.org

Remember our Dead

Month's Mind:

Con Counihan, Sunhill & Enfield, Co. Meath

Anniversaries:

John Riordan, Dooks

Julia May Corkery, Tulligbeg & Watford, UK

Edward "Ned" Carey, Cromane Upper & Watford, UK

Jim Hennigan, Dunmaniheen

John Arthur McCarthy, Cromane Lower

Margaret O'Connor, Doolahig, Dooks

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

Monday 21st September	10.30am	For the People of the Parish
Tuesday, 22nd September	10.30am	Margaret & Redmond Fitzgerald, Johnny & Thomas Fitzgerald & the deceased members of the Fitzgerald family, Laune View
Thursday, 24th September	6.30pm	Stephen Costello , Gurrane East & Upper Bridge Street; John Lenihan , Ardmoniel; John Joe O'Sullivan , Rangue & Lonhart; John McSweeney , St. James Gardens; Noreen Lyons , Gurrane West; Sheila Corkery , Upper Tullig; Joan Costello nee O'Shea , Lonhart & Kilderry, Milltown; Con Counihan , Sunhill & Enfield, Co. Meath; Patrick J O'Riordan , Glenbeigh & Boston; Noel Clifford , Dromin; Teddy Clifford , Altavilla; James & Kitty Coffey , Lower Bridge Street; Tadhg Costello , Gurrane East; Kathleen & John Griffin , Tinahalla; Jim Hennigan , Dunmaniheen; Donie & Kathleen Mangan , Maura Mangan , The Shop, Clooncarrig & Langford Downs; Maureen Mullarkey , 3 Pier Cove, Ballymacprior; David & Theresa O'Sullivan , Reen; Kathleen "Kay" Russell , Laune View; John & Anna Sheehan , St. James Gardens; The Sheehy family, Dunmaniheen
Friday, 25th September	10.30am	Private Intention
Saturday, 26th September	6.00pm	Dem O'Sullivan , Laune View & Glenbeigh
Sunday, 27th September	12.00pm	Anthony Cahillane , Mill Road & London

Mass Intentions for the coming week in Cromane

Sunday 27th September	10.00am	<i>Cromane Rowing Club 70th Anniversary</i>
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Killorglin Pastoral Area

Priest on Duty this Sunday

Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638

In emergency always ring your own Priest first.

If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

Monday: *Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638*
Tuesday: *Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (087) 2432155*
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Ministries for next weekend

St. James Church, Killorglin, 26 th & 27 th September		
Vigil	Reader	<i>Pat Cahill</i>
	Eucharistic Minister	<i>Margaret Foley</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Adele O'Keeffe, Caoimhe Sheehan, Aoibhinn Gamble, Áine O'Connor</i>
12.00pm	Reader	<i>Paddy O'Donoghue</i>
	Eucharistic Minister	<i>Eoghan O'Grady, Fiona O'Shea</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Lily McCarthy, Cara McCarthy, Niamh McCarthy, Caitlin McCarthy</i>
Star of the Sea Church, Cromane, 27 th September		
	Reader	<i>Johanna King</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Bláthnaid O'Riordan, Réiltín O'Shea</i>

Livestreaming & Broadcasting

All Masses are livestreamed from St. James' Church:

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

The webcam captures images of individuals who sit in the first seats of the centre aisle. Please sit in another part of the Church if you do not wish your image to be broadcast in this way.

Feastdays and Readings for Weekday Masses

Monday 21st *St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist*
 Eph 4: 1-7, 11-13. Mt 9: 9-13.
 St. Matthew, the tax collector is said to have been a missionary in Persia and Ethiopia. He is the Patron of accountants, book-keepers, tax-collectors, customs officers and security guards

Tuesday 22nd Prov 21: 1-6, 10-13. Lk 8: 19-21.

Thursday 24th Eccl (Qo) 1: 2-11. Lk 9: 7-9.

Friday 25th Eccl (QO) 3: 1-11. Lk 9: 18-22.

Confessions

There will be confessions in St. James Church, on Saturday 26th September, from 12.00 - 12.30pm.

Eucharistic Adoration

There is Eucharistic Adoration in St. James Church, on Tuesdays, from 11.00am - 6.00pm.

Christian Meditation

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

Cromane Rowing Club 70th Anniversary

The 70th Anniversary of Cromane Rowing Club will be marked at the 10.00am Mass in Mary, Star of the Sea Church, Cromane, on Sunday 27th. There will be light refreshments in the Community Centre afterwards. All are welcome.

National Hospice Coffee Morning - Thursday 24th September

The Killorglin Hospice Branch will host a Coffee Morning in Eurospar, from 9.00am - 12.30pm. Please support.

If you would like to host a coffee morning in your home, your work place etc. on or around 24th September, contact Kay, (087) 2355293, and you will receive posters etc.

Woman 2000 Killorglin

Woman 2000 meets every Tuesday, from 10.30am - 12.30pm, in St. Michael's, Iveragh Road. Women of all ages from Killorglin and the surrounding area are welcome to join.