

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 - 7.00pm

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.

30th June 2024

True Compassion

Our government is presently drafting legislation on 'assisted dying.' In response, the Catholic Bishops have just released a pastoral letter entitled 'Freedom to Live Fully, Until Death Comes.' Copies of this letter will be available in our churches shortly.

The chairperson of our Parish Pastoral Council, Margaret Naughton, Ranguel, has written an incisive and timely article, published in The Irish Times last weekend, giving us a perspective on the value of every human life and the importance of palliative care chaplaincy.

As a chaplaincy supervisor and educator, I remind my students that the patients we encounter are our best teachers if we are open to learning from them. They have taught me about living well and dying well with compassion and hope.

The word compassion comes from Latin and translates to "suffer with". This concept gathers considerable momentum and importance when set against the backdrop of the recent debate around assisted dying – a myopic move to enable people to end their lives with greater freedom.

Such thoughts of assisted dying downgrade the importance of the long-established palliative care approach to caring for the dying when we choose to play God and try to control death.

An alternative paradigm of care to assisted dying might be what Pope Francis has spoken of in 'Samaritanus Bonus' – the 2020 letter on the care of people in the critical and terminal phases of life – as accompaniment of the suffering that not only promotes their intrinsic value as a child of God but sees "the highest worth of their existence".

Such an approach neither sanitises nor seeks to control or eradicate suffering but in contrast offers a pathway of pastoral care that drives compassionate and hope-filled accompaniment.

I remember with great sadness and affection the first person that I accompanied spiritually to the end of her life. I was drawn to her for many reasons but was particularly taken by her openness to name the fact that she was dying. While I was moved with compassion, I was also frightened, overwhelmed by the blunt force of her honesty – fearful that I had nothing to give to this woman who in many ways was ministering to me.

Of course, I will never know the impact of my ministry to her, but I do know that she taught me about what compassion, true compassion, might look like at the end of life; about being able to sit with struggle of not having answers, of wrestling with the powerlessness of not being able to say or do anything tangible to make things better, to support someone in their process of digging deep when they find themselves facing their own mortality.

As followers of Christ, we are called to be deeply rooted in the well of our tradition, to have the compassion of heart and soul to suffer with, to be present to the many strengths and the struggles of the end-of-life trajectory. As followers of Christ, we are called to be moved with compassion for those who are sick and dying and to accompany them with a pastoral heart.

True compassion and hope at the end of life is about courage and vulnerability. It is demonstrating that all life has a value no matter what.

Dr Margaret Naughton, Healthcare Chaplain at U. H. K.

Remember our Dead

Anniversaries: Patsy Clifford, 21 Mountain View
Tom Foley, Anglont & Sunhill
Frank Healy, Lower Bridge Street

Mary Crowley, Lower Bridge Street
Robin Hilliard, Dooks
Elaine Slater nee Scales, Coventry & Cromane Lower

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

Monday 1 st July	10.30am	For the People of the Parish
Tuesday, 2 nd July	10.30am	Gene O'Connor, Dromin
Thursday, 4 th July	6.30pm	Maurice O'Connor, Dromin & Tullig, Beaufort
Friday, 5 th July	10.30am	Timmy O'Connor, Lower Bridge Street
Saturday, 6 th July	6.00pm	Michael, Bridie & Kevin O'Grady, Upper Bridge Street
Sunday, 7 th July	12.00pm	Pat Finnegan, Upper Bridge Street

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

Friday, 5 th July	7.30pm	Private Intention for Deceased; Jack & Kathleen Teahan, Denis Teahan, Cromane Lower
Sunday, 7 th July	10.00am	Sheila & Stephen Scales, Elaine Slatter nee Scales, Cromane Lower & Coventry

Killorglin Pastoral Area

Priest on Duty this Sunday

In emergency always ring your own Priest first.

Fr. Fergal Ryan, (087) 2408540

If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

Monday: Fr. Fergal Ryan, (087) 2408540
Tuesday: Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (087) 2432155
Wednesday: Fr. Fergal Ryan, (087) 2408540
Thursday: Fr. Danny Broderick, (087) 9061255
Friday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638

Ministries for next weekend

St. James Church, Killorglin, 6th & 7th July

Vigil	Reader	Declan Mangan
	Eucharistic Minister	Sheila Cahillane
	Altar Servers	Eimee Lynch, Scarlett Moriarty, Caoimhe Foley
12.00pm	Reader	Edel Moriarty
	Eucharistic Minister	John Melia
	Altar Servers	Jamie Heffernan, Nathan Foley, Jack O'Sullivan

Star of the Sea Church, Cromane, 7th July

	Reader	Eibhlín Duffy Hayes
	Altar Servers	Amber O'Connell, Kate & Ella Foley

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 two 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.

First Friday

Next Friday is the First Friday of the month. Fr. Kevin and Deacon Pat will make their Communion calls during the week as arranged. Fr. Kevin is also available on his visit for Confession and, where necessary, the Sacrament of the Sick. If you or a family member are housebound due and would like to receive Holy Communion do please contact the Parish Office, (066) 9761172, (087) 6584479

Confessions

There are Confessions in St. James Church, on two Saturdays in the month, from 12.00 - 12.30pm. The next date is Saturday 13th July.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration takes place in St. James Church, on Tuesday, from 11.00am - 7.00pm.

Diocesan Collection

The annual collection for *Sick and Retired Priests* will be taken up at all Masses next weekend.

With over twenty Priests retired, this fund provides for the ongoing support and care of those who have given their lives in Priestly ministry as well as making provision for the payment of unforeseen medical expenses.

Graveyard Masses in Killorglin Pastoral Area

July (all July Masses at 8:00 p.m.)

Thursday 11th Keel (new)
 Friday 12th Milltown
 Tuesday 16th Listry
 Wednesday 17th Kilbonane
 Thursday 18th Keel (old)
 Friday 19th Abbey (Milltown)
 Friday 26th Kiltallagh

August (all August Masses at 7:30 p.m.)

Friday 2nd Réalt na Mara, Cromane
 Monday 5th Dromavalla
 Wednesday 7th Ardmoniel

Our Parish Biodiversity Garden

Visit our Parish Garden at St. James Church - sit and rest by our garden pond; see our apple trees in the orchard; listen to the song of our garden birds; admire the work of our pollinators - the bumble bees; enjoy the breeze as it gently whispers through our trees - the hazel, the rowan and the ash.

In the words of St. Francis of Assisi -
"Laudato Si mi Signore", "Praised be you, My Lord"

Thomas Healy Memorial Football Blitz

in aid of St. Francis Special School, Beaufort
 Join the Healy Family at Beaufort Football Pitch, on Sunday 7th July at 2.00pm, to celebrate Thomas's life. There will be a 7-A-Side Blitz, a Kid's Zone, a mini auction and more.