

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.

9th February 2025

My Grace is Sufficient for You

Have you ever felt like you are not good enough for God? Like you don't have what it takes to do what God asks of you? If so, you are in good company, because that's just how Isaiah, St. Paul, and St. Peter felt when God called them.

It is a sign of humility to recognize our inadequacy before God. This is why when Isaiah had a vision of the Seraphim angels in heaven crying out to God, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts!" he said, "Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips, living among a people of unclean lips..." (Is 6:5). He knew he didn't belong in heaven. In like manner, St. Peter was keenly aware of his unworthiness when Jesus demonstrated his divinity by miraculously enabling him to catch so many fish that his nets began to tear. Peter fell down before Jesus and cried out, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man" (Lk 5:8).

Peter and Isaiah were correct. Neither one was worthy. Yet God called Isaiah to be a great prophet, and he called Peter to lead his Church. Like Peter and Isaiah, we are weak and unclean people. But like Peter and Isaiah, God will enable us to fulfil whatever task he calls us to do.

All of the sacraments are tangible means by which God imparts his intangible grace to us. Baptism is that first sacrament that binds us to Christ. By our baptism, we are united to Christ in his death and resurrection and first receive that sanctifying grace that removes all sin.

For any sin we may commit after our baptism, the sacrament of Reconciliation restores us to union with God through the forgiveness God offers to all who repent and seek his mercy. These sacraments don't just purify us of our sins; they strengthen us to do God's work.

There is a reason God chooses the humble to accomplish his will; because the humble know how to rely on his grace. St. Paul says in the second reading: For I am the least of the apostles, not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church **but by the grace of God I am what I am**, and his grace to me has not been ineffective. Indeed, I have toiled harder than all of the; not I, however, but the grace of God that is within me.

He was only able to succeed by relying on God's grace. This is the key: we can't do God's work on our own. Nor can we just sit back relying on God to do all the work. The truth lies in the middle: we need to put forth effort, because God wants to work *through us* and *in us*, our will cooperating with his.

By virtue of our baptism, Christ dwells in each one of us. We are members of his body! As St. Paul says elsewhere, "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me". He knows our capacities and our limitations. And he says, *my grace is sufficient for you*. We just need to trust that the God who calls us will provide whatever grace is needed to answer that call.

All we need to do is say, like Isaiah, "Here I am".

Commissioning of Pastoral Leaders

Bishop Ray will commission 25 people as Pastoral Leaders at 12 noon Mass, in St Mary's Cathedral, Killarney, on this Sunday 9th February.

The ministry of Pastoral Leader is a new ministry in the Diocese of Kerry. The ministry involves the co-ordination and support of pastoral ministry in parishes and pastoral areas. The volunteer pastoral leaders will work with the clergy, parish secretaries and all those already involved in parish ministry. The Pastoral Leaders will be commissioned for three years.

Over the past two years, the pastoral leaders have undergone a formation programme accredited by Mary Immaculate College, Limerick. This programme has given the participants an opportunity to develop their faith and their skills. Some of the roles they will undertake may be ones that were traditionally carried out by Priests e.g. bringing communion to the housebound or supporting the schools with preparation for the reception of the Sacraments. As Bishop Ray has said, "*The future Church will be different not better or worse!*" as he welcomes the new ministry in the diocese.

There are two people from the Killorglin Pastoral Area who will be commissioned this weekend – Eimear Doyle of Castlemaine Parish and Sinéad Geary of our own parish of Killorglin. Many congratulations to them and their families and every blessing as they begin their ministry.

All are welcome to attend the Mass in the Cathedral, or to join online, killarneyparish.com/watchlive

Remember our Dead

Died recently: James (Jim) Joy Killeen, Annadale
Julia Corkery, Upper Tullig & Watford

Anniversaries: Margaret Costello, Tulligmore John & Sheila Cummins, Caragh Lake John D. Griffin, Cromane Upper
Eileen Scannell, Douglas Maurice Conway, Dooks

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

Monday, 10 th February	10.30am	For the People of the Parish
Tuesday, 11 th February	10.30am	Timmy O'Shea & the deceased members of the O'Shea family, Groyne
Thursday, 13 th February	6.30pm	Eileen Dermody, Sunhill
Friday, 14 th February	10.30am	Funeral of Julia Corkery, Upper Tullig & Watford
Saturday, 15 th February	6.00pm	Sheila Corkery, Reen
Sunday, 16 th February	12.00pm	Eileen Kennedy, 6 St. James Gardens

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

Sunday, 16 th February	10.00am	Johnny & Kathleen McCarthy Corkery, Cromane
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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. Danny Broderick, (087) 9061255
Friday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638

Ministries for next weekend

St. James Church, Killorglin, 15 th & 16 th February		
Vigil	Reader	Ann Stack
	Eucharistic Minister	Mary Burke
	Altar Servers	Caoimhe O'Connor, Adele O'Keeffe, Caoimhe Sheehan
12.00pm	Reader	Sheila Marie Sheehan
	Eucharistic Minister	Mary Levy
	Altar Servers	Darragh O'Sullivan, Jamie Heffernan, Rian McCann
Star of the Sea Church, Cromane, 16 th February		
	Reader	Susie Teahan
	Altar Servers	Ella & Kate Horgan

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.

Confessions

There are Confessions in St. James Church, on two Saturdays in the month, from 12.00 - 12.30pm. The next date is 22nd February.

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Feastdays and Readings for Weekday Masses

Monday 10th *Sr. Scholastica, virgin*
 Gn 1: 1-19. Mk 6: 53-56.
 Sr. Scholastica, who died c. 543, was a sister of St. Benedict. She spent her life as a consecrated virgin. She is the Patron of convulsive children.

Tuesday 11th *Our Lady of Lourdes*
 Gn 1: 20-2:4. Mk 7: 1-13.
 On this day in 1858, Our Lady first appeared to 14 year old, Bernadette Soubirous. In 1992, Pope John Paul II instituted the World Day of the Sick, to be held on the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes

Thursday 13th Gn 2: 18-25. Mk 7: 24-30.
 Friday 14th *SS Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop, Patrons of Europe*
 Acts 13: 46-49. Lk 10: 1-9.
 St. Cyril, 826-869, and St. Methodius, 815-885, were brothers from Thessalonica in Greece. They preached the Gospel in Moravia using their own translation of the Scriptures and the liturgy in the local language. These translations into Slavonic were in an alphabet, now called Cyrillic, which they devised.

Diocesan Collection for Lourdes Helpers

The collection for the Lourdes Helpers will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.

The theme of this year's pilgrimage is "With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope". The pilgrimage will be an important part of our celebrating the Jubilee as a diocese.

The Pilgrimage has changed in many ways over the past 50 years but the main purpose is still the same, to take the sick to Lourdes and for this helpers are needed. Many helpers are students and thus require help to finance the trip. This collection goes towards that effort. The Lourdes Helpers Fund also helps assisted pilgrims who would like to go to Lourdes and who may not be able to afford to pay the full fare.

Information Day for Men living in Mid-Kerry

Hosted by South Kerry Development Partnership
 at the Laune Ranger Clubrooms, on Friday 14th February,
 11.00am - 1.00pm.

There will be information on expanding the South Kerry Men's Group in Mid-Kerry, planning day trips, helping men with addressing isolation and loneliness and getting men involved with other groups in Mid-Kerry. Light refreshments will be served.

Bingo ♦the CYMS, on Sunday night at 8.30pm
 ♦Jack's, Cromane, on Tuesday night, at 8.00pm