25th Anniversary of Killyleagh Parish: 8th September marks the 25th anniversary of the inauguration of Killyleagh Parish. At the Mass of Thanksgiving the main celebrant will be Bishop Patrick Walsh, who inaugurated Killyleagh as Parish, Bishop Anthony Farquhar, whose uncle Canon Walter Larkin was former PP, Fr Sean Cahill, first Parish Priest of Killyleagh, and other clergy who served in Killyleagh Parish will also be present at the Mass of Thanksgiving on Wednesday. Celebrations will also take place at 7.30pm on:

- Monday 2nd September
- Healing Mass Devotion to St Pio during which the sick will be anointed
- Tuesday 3rd September
- Ecumenical Prayer Service
- Wednesday 4th September

Mass of Thanksgiving followed by refreshments in St Mary’s Hall.

Farewell Gift to Canon Sean Rogan: Envelopes are at the back of the churches for anyone wishing to contribute towards a Farewell Gift to Canon Rogan. Please place them into the weekend collection baskets or drop them to the Parish Office at your convenience.

Missionary Appeal: On Saturday 31st August, a collection will take place in Supervalu, Crossgar, in aid of a project dealing with contaminated drinking water and purchase of a quantity of rice.

1£ sterling equals 452 Niara and any small contribution would be beneficial assisting parishes in the Parish of St Michael’s Church Osli, Ekiti Estate, Nigeria, to celebrate the festive season with a family meal. Donations may also be given to Robert and Bernadette McGreevy or left into the Parish Office.

Fr Raphael extends his thanks to those who supported previous appeals and to those who gave their time to help man collection points.

March for Their Lives: Please join us for this CRUCIAL MARCH at 2pm in Custom House Square, Belfast on 7th September to show our politicians that abortion is NOT IN OUR NAME! and to demand that Stormont is reconvened before 21st October 2019. Mass will be celebrated at 1pm in St Patrick’s Church, Donegal Street, Belfast. A bus will leave St Joseph’s, Killyleagh, at 12noon and will make pick-up stops at Downpatrick, Crossgar and Saintfield on the way to Belfast. The bus will make the return journey leaving Belfast, at approximately 5pm. To book a place on the bus contact Fr Pádraig O’Rourke on 02844 831221. Cost £5 for adults, children accompanied by an adult and students go free. For more information contact Precious Life on 02890278498 or email info@preciouslife.com

Belfast Bereavement Information Evenings: These evenings are bereaved mothers and fathers and an opportunity to hear an experienced bereavement specialist talk about the journey through grief and loss after the death of a precious child.

In the Crowne Plaza, Belfast from 7-9pm on Wednesday:
- 11th September
- 9th October
- 13th November
- 11th December

Gambrinus Grand National Annual Pilgrimage: Everybody welcome to honour and thank Grandparents, alive and dead, at Knock Shrine between 2.30pm on Sunday 8th September.

General Notices:

- All arrangements for Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals to be made with Noreen in the Parish Office on 02844 830229 during office hours. Outside of office hours funeral arrangements to be made with Fr Brendan on 07966321765.

Reminder - Bulletin Notices: All bulletin notices can be emailed to the office email address marked “bulletin”. Notices must be in by Wednesday.

Faith and Life Convention 2019:

Online bookings for this year’s Faith and Life Convention are now open. We hope that you will be able to join us on Saturday 28th September at Our Lady and St Patrick’s College in Belfast.

This year our theme is ‘Faith in a Better World’ and our keynote Speaker will be Michel Camdessus, former Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and a member of the Pontifical Council on Justice and Peace.

The highlight of the day for many people is the variety of workshops on offer and this year we have an impressive line-up of local and international speakers. The convention is an excellent opportunity to network with others from the Diocese and beyond.

We look forward to welcoming you and having an enjoyable day where we can encourage one another to be people of active faith in our society.

***Crosstagg News***

Visitation of the Sick and Housebound: Fr Brendan will attend his sick on Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th September.

Friday Follies: The Friday Follies resumes at 10.30am on Friday 6th September.

**Killyleagh News**

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St Mary’s Hall: Bookings for St Mary’s Hall may be made by contacting Chris Quinn after 6pm on 07513468060 or by emailing cquinn84@gmail.com

***Teconnacht News***

Recently Baptised: We welcome Callum Patrick Black, Aodhán Sean Fitzsimmons, Ruairi Brendan Hugh Kennedy, Ruairi Aiden Moore, Albie Edward Jack Moreland, Ariana Emily O’Connor & Elite Mae O’Connor into the Parish family.

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St Columba’s Hall: Bookings for St Columba’s Hall may be made by contacting Harry Mulholland on 02844 831221 or Gerry Rice on 02844 830674.

Teconnacht Bingo: Bingo in Teconnacht every Monday at 8.30pm. JACKPOT is £200 for 50 numbers.

Teconnacht GFC: Lotto Results: 3, 1, 19, 25. Six people had 3 numbers. See Facebook for details.

Next week’s jackpot £1,650. Lotto tickets now available in Bells SuperValu, Crossgar & Hot Cross Bakery, Killyleagh.

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Opening hours: Monday – Thursday 2pm–4.30pm
Email: stjohnskillyleagh@outlook.com

Parish Safeguarding: (Tel. 028 44 830229)
Chair: Mary Jo Bell Vice-Chair: Patricia Murray

Parish Schools:
- Crossgar: Sr Jospeh’s Primary
- Teconnacht: Holy Family Primary

Mass Times:

- St Michael’s: Monday 7.30am
- St Joseph’s: Monday 7.30am
- St John’s: Tuesday 7.30am
- St Patrick’s: Tuesday 7.30am
- St Columba’s: Tuesday 7.30am

Confession Times:

- Crossgar: Monday 7.30am
- Killyleagh: Monday 7.30am
- St Michael’s: Monday 7.30am

The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration:

- Perpetual Adoration takes place in the Parish at:
  - Crossgar: Monday 6.30pm
  - Killyleagh: Monday 6.30pm
  - St Michael’s: Monday 7.00pm

- The Blessed Sacrament cannot be left unattended.

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