

RATHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT: *As we enter the season of Lent we are being called once again into the 'wilderness'. The temptations are not just a testing episode in the life and ministry of Jesus, but are an integral part of his mission. Jesus is being tempted to eat when he is not supposed to eat, to take the easy route of power over the world through exploitation, when that is not his way. Ultimately, God is in control here; this wilderness is Spirit-led. And so it is for us. When it comes down to it, each of the temptations is about the same thing – our ability to trust in God. This should not direct us towards complacency or apathy but to listen. We listen to his Word; we now must listen to what he is saying to us through the Book of Creation. We must trust in those signals and signs.*

WEEKEND MASSES FOR SAT. FEBRUARY 17th & SUN. FEBRUARY 18th 2018

RATHMORE	Sat	17th	6.00pm	Eileen & Jer Murphy, Corran, their son Jerry and his friend Sean Murphy
				Bridie & Michéal O'Brien, Lr. Shinnagh & their son Michael Anthony & daughter Aileen O'Leary, Convent View
				Patrick Desmond, Rathbeg
				Eileen O'Donoghue, Inches (3rd Anniv.)
				Peter & Peggy Leader, Tureenglanahoe
				Stapleton Family, I/o Knocknagree Village
				Andrew Rahilly, Shanballa
				Jeremiah & Ellie O'Leary, Tureenglanahoe
SHRONE	Sun	18th	9.00am	Sheila O'Callaghan, Gortnagown
GNEEVGUILLA	Sun	18th	10.00am	Sean O'Keeffe, Coom (1st Anniv.)
RATHMORE	Sun	18th	11.30am	Mary & Jeremiah Kelly, Rathmore Townland & their daughter Eileen Barker New York
				Michael & Ann Breen, Scrahanagullane
				Greg Moynihan & Jason Kelleher & their grandmother
				Kathy Kelleher, Islanderagh & her son Timmie



OUR ANNUAL 'LADY OF LOURDES NOVENA' COMES TO AN END: The annual Our Lady of Lourdes Novena in Knocknagree attracted huge crowds and made a prayerful and beautiful atmosphere for the entire Novena. Our sincere thanks to all in Knocknagree for their excellent organisation in having everything so radiant and beautiful for the entire nine days. Thanks to all who helped in so many ways and to all who attended both from inside and from outside the parish. Our Lady of Lourdes pray for us.

				<i>GNEEVGUILLA</i>
Mon	19th	6.30pm		Donal O'Mahony & his daughter-in-law Geraldine O' Mahony, Convent View, Rathmore & I/o Gneeveguilla
Sun	25th	10.00am		Paddy Carmody, Banard
				Hannah Mary O'Sullivan, Gneeveguilla Village
				Stephen & Bridie O'Sullivan, Banard
				Catherine, Willie, Denny & Denis McCarthy Gneeveguilla
				Muriel Moore, Manhattan & Goulane
				Michael D. Kelleher I/o Mausroure & his sister Sr. Anne
				<i>RATHMORE</i>
Tue	20th	9.30am		People of the Parish
Wed	21st	7.30pm		Jimmy Fitzgerald, Carrigaline (1st Anniv.)
Fri	23rd	7.30pm		John Horgan, Ard Mhuire (1st Anniv.)
Sat.	24th	6.00pm		Peggy Cronin, Moulagow
Sun	25th	11.30am		Donors Intention
				<i>KNOCKNAGREE</i>
Thur	22nd	9.30am		Marie Collins, Doon & I/o Umeraboy
Sat	24th	7.30pm		Dan Moynihan, Knocknagree (10th Anniv.)
				Kathleen Cronin, Caherbarnagh
				Mary, Paddy & Francis Herlihy, The Terrace, Knocknagree
				Dan & Maura Sheehan, Umeraboy
				<i>SHRONE</i>
Sun	25th	9.00am		Pats, Mary Ann & Patrick Moynihan, Shronemore
				Timmie C. Moynihan, Shrone

TRÓCAIRE BOXES:
Trócaire Boxes are available in all our Churches this weekend. Feel free to take the information pack home.

Fr. Jim Kennelly (087)2401331 is the priest on duty on this SUNDAY for emergency and sick calls
Fr. Pat O'Donnell P.P. 086 8351732

CHILD PROTECTION REPRESENTATIVES

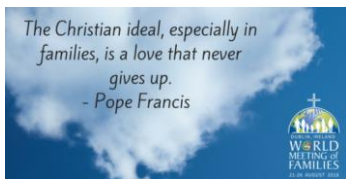
Han Donnelly 0871249461 (Gneeveguilla) Margaret McGrath (089)4182683 (Rathmore)
Ber Murphy 087 6468620 (Shrone) Betty Moynihan 087 6186091(Knocknagree)

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY: Please pray for **Nonie McCrann Cree O'Mahony**, l/o Mounthorgan & London, who died recently in London. To Nellie Nagle and her family, Gortdarrig and Joan O'Callaghan and her family, Clounts on the death of their brother **Patrick O'Donoghue**, Gortdarrig whose funeral took place in Shrone on Monday. To Catherine Scannell and her family, Park, Knocknagree on the death of her husband **Frank Scannell** whose funeral took place on Monday in Knocknagree. To John O'Leary, Ard Mhuire, on the death of his sister **Joan Herlihy**, Cullen, whose funeral took place in Cullen on Monday. May **Nonie, Patrick, Frank and Joan** rest in peace and may God's peace and His never failing love sustain all who mourn their loss.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE - 0667134276 Ministry in the Church by Bishop (Emeritus) Bill Murphy, Gathering for All Parish Readers, Eucharistic Ministers & Parish personnel in the Kerry Diocese, Thurs. 22nd Feb.

7.00pm-9.30pm. The **Amoris** programme: A parish conversation in preparation for the **World Meeting of Families** which helps participants to reflect on and share their experience of family life in the light of Pope Francis' vision in the 'Gospel of Family' A joy for all the world. Ardfert Retreat Centre will host 4 sessions during Lent, on Wed. Feb 21st, 28th & March 7th, 14th, 7.30pm to 9.30pm. A healing Mass to conclude the program will be held on Sun. 18th March. All welcome. **Bookings/Contact: 0667134276 or give your name and tel. no. to parish office.**

RECENT COLLECTIONS: **Diocesan Lourdes Helpers Collection** collected from all four Churches last weekend amounted to **€1565**. We wish to thank Julieanne O'Sullivan who spoke at Masses last weekend in the parish. Julieanne will be going as helper to Lourdes again this year. Thank you to all for your generous support. **The Irish Heart foundation** would like to thank, most sincerely, the parishioners of Rathmore for the generosity they showed during their 2017 Church Gate collection. The total amount collected was **€725**. Ted & Joan Collins wish to acknowledge and thank all those who supported their annual walk in Muckross and Dance afterwards in Gneeveguilla Community Centre which took place in October 2017 in aid of the **Alzheimers Society of Ireland**. The total amount raised was **€5089.30**



NATIONAL COLLECTION FOR THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018: Please support the 3rd National Collection for WMOF2018 which will be taken up at all masses in our parish next weekend 24/25 February. To defray the costs associated with this major event in Ireland next August your

generous support would be most welcome. Thank You.

THANK YOU: A very sincere Thank You from Anna Buckley to the many Musicians, and also the Public's attendance at the Fundraising Concert for the HOPE Foundation last Sat night. Your kind and generous support of this worthwhile cause, is greatly appreciated.

LENT: Diocese of Kerry – LENTEN PROGRAMME 2018 – Lent...a time of renewal, a time of growth and refreshment, a time for you, others and God.

- Mon. Feb. 19th-7.30pm-** 'Christian vision of family'-Bishop Kevin Doran-**St. John's Church, Tralee**
- Thur. Feb. 22nd-8pm-**'Finding ourselves in the Lenten Jesus'-Br. Pádraig McIntyre- **Heights Hotel, Killarney**
- Tue. Feb. 27th-7.30pm-**'A parish caring for all people'-**Jerh O'Donoghue- St. Mary's Church, Dingle**
- Wed. Feb. 28th-8pm-**'Spirituality for the Home'-Martina Lehane Sheehan-**River Island Hotel, Castleisland**
- Mon. Mar. 5th-8pm-**'Homelessness – a challenge for society & Church'-Fr. Peter McVerry-**Coláiste na Sceilge, Cahersiveen**
- Wed. Mar. 7th-8pm-**'Living, Forgiving & Healing Relationships'-Martina Lehane Sheehan- **St. John's Theatre, The Square, Listowel**
- Wed. Mar. 7th-8pm-**'Spirituality for today – reading between the lines with Jesus'-
Gerry Hussey - Teach Iosagain, Rathmore
- Thur. Mar. 8th-8pm-**'Spirituality for today-looking after body, mind & soul'-Gerry Hussey-**CYMS Killorglin**
- Mon. Mar. 12th-8pm-**'Is my family really a church and what might that mean?'-Dr. Dan O'Connell-
Ardfert Retreat Centre
- Tues Mar. 20th-7.30pm-**'Exploring Family Life'-Dr. Patricia Kieran-**Ballylongford Community Centre**
- Mon. Mar. 26th-8pm-**'Family Matters-Growing love and faith in a modern family'-Dr. Anne Francis-
Pobalscoil Inbhear Sceine, Kenmare
- Mon. Mar. 26th-7.30pm-**'Hidden Pearls: Revealing the gifts of people with disabilities in family and community'-
-Maria Garvey-**St. John's Church, Tralee**