



RATHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

The Lord has anointed me ... to bring Good News to the poor, to heal the broken hearted God of anointing in sending Your Son to be one of us You have called us too, to be the Body of Christ. Strengthen me on this Joyful Sunday as I live this anointing, this privilege, this responsibility.

VIGIL AND SUNDAY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 15th AND SUNDAY 16th DECEMBER

Sat. 15 th	6.00pm	<u>RATHMORE:</u>	Mary Murphy, Kilquane Mary & Giles O'Sullivan, Milleen
Sat. 15 th	7.30pm	<u>KNOCKNAGREE:</u>	Pat Reen, Tureenareha Brendie O'Leary, New York & I/o Knocknagree (1 st Anniv.)
Sun. 16 th	9.00am	<u>SHRONE:</u>	Donors Intention
Sun. 16 th	10.00am	<u>GNEEVEGUILLA:</u>	Daniel Cronin, Gneeveguilla Upper Connie Fleming, Renasup
Sun. 16 th	11.30am	<u>RATHMORE:</u>	Joan Murphy, Corran (1 st Anniv.)
<i>Sun. 16th 4pm to 6pm</i>			<i><u>RATHMORE:</u> CHRISTMAS SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION</i>



MONDAY 17th DECEMBER TO SUNDAY 23rd DECEMBER 2018



Mon. 17 th	7.00pm	<u>GNEEVEGUILLA:</u>	(Please note time) - Nora Cunnie (nee Carmody) Chicago & I/o Tureencahill - MEMORIAL MASS <i>Mon. 17th 8.00pm Kiskeam: Christmas Confessions</i>
Tues. 18 th	9.30am	<u>RATHMORE:</u>	People of the Parish <i>Tues. 18th 7.30pm Millstreet: Christmas Confessions</i>
Wed. 19 th	7.30pm	<u>RATHMORE:</u>	Tommy Kelleher I/o Star Bar <i>Thurs. 20th 7.30pm Derrinnagree: Christmas Confessions</i>
Fri. 21 st	7.30pm	<u>RATHMORE</u>	Matt Reddington I/o Church Place & Shinnagh (Months Mind)

Fri. 21st 7.30pm KNOCKNAGREE: Memorial Mass for Phyllis Hickey, Scrahan
At the request of Knocknagree-Kenya Link - Celebrant: Fr. Sean Cremin

Sat. 22 nd	6.00pm	<u>RATHMORE:</u>	Madge, John Michael & Denis Crowley, Doocarrig
Sat. 22 nd	7.30pm	<u>KNOCKNAGREE:</u>	Dan & Nora O'Leary, Umeraboy Peter & Peggy Leader, Turenglanahee
Sun. 23 rd	9.00am	<u>SHRONE:</u>	Donors Intention - Nativity Play Shrone National School
Sun. 23 rd	10.00am	<u>GNEEVEGUILLA:</u>	Nora & Tim Cronin I/o Chertsey, England & Goulane & Annaghbeg Michael & Joan O'Connor, Maughantourig Dan T. O'Keeffe, Tureencahill Nora McAuliffe, Gneeveguilla & her daughter Deirdre Maguire, London & Gneeveguilla
Sun. 23 rd	11.30am	<u>RATHMORE:</u>	George, Maura & John Byrne, Shinnagh



Fr. Pat O'Donnell P.P. (086) 8351732 is the priest on duty this Sunday for emergency and sick calls
2019 PARISH CALENDAR: *Our annual Parish Calendar together with parish envelopes and Fr. Pat's annual letter will be delivered to every home this weekend and next week. Just in time for Christmas... We thank all the contact people for every area who help us to distribute these each year.*



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN OUR PARISH EVERY WEEK

10am to 9pm in Gneeveguilla - Tuesday	10am to 9pm Knocknagree - Wednesday
10am to 9pm in Rathmore - Thursday	Shrone - 4- 5pm Thursday & 9-11am Friday



Christmas Mass Bouquets now available in Parish Office. Mass for these shared Mass intentions will be offered on Wed. 26th Dec. at 11am in Rathmore.

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY: To Tim Rahilly, Aunaskirtane on the death of his sister, Eileen Kelleher who died recently in London. To Abina Collins, Knocknageeha and her family on the death of her husband Jack Collins whose funeral took place on Tuesday in Gneeveguilla. To Catherine Lawlor, Gullane, Sheila O'Leary, Leam, Willie & Mary Falvey and their families, Scrahanaveal on the death of their sister, Margaret Heverin (nee Falvey) whose funeral is taking place in England during the week. Memorial Mass for Margaret on Friday 18th January, 2019 at 7.30pm in Gneeveguilla. May Eileen, Jack & Margaret rest in peace and may God's love sustain and comfort all who mourn their loss.



CHRISTMAS SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

MAKE GOD'S FORGIVENESS A REALITY - ALL WELCOME

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on this Sunday 16th December from 4pm to 6pm in Rathmore Church. *"When someone hurts us we should write it down in sand where the winds of forgiveness can erase it away. But, when someone does something good for us, we must engrave it*

in stone where no wind can ever erase it". I encourage you even if you are not receiving the Sacrament, please come in and spend a little time in quiet prayer. The Priests of the Pastoral Area will be available during this time.

Reconciliation Services will also take place in other churches in the deanery on the following dates:
Kiskeam Mon. 17th Dec. 8.00pm Millstreet Tues. 18th Dec. 7.30pm Derrinagree Thurs. Dec. 20th 7.30pm

GAUDETE SUNDAY – JOYFUL SUNDAY- BAMBINELLI SUNDAY

For the past several decades, each year on Gaudete Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent, children (and adults) bring their Baby Jesus figures from the crib in their homes to St. Peter's Square in Rome where the Pope blesses both the people and the figurines during the Angelus. This tradition is known as 'Bambinelli Sunday.'

We are celebrating "Bambinelli Sunday" at all Masses in our parish this weekend Sat. 15th & Sun. 16th. All are invited to bring the Baby Jesus figure from their crib at home to Mass this weekend to be blessed.

Following the blessing, the tradition is that the family takes their "bambinelli" home and place it in a gift box or wrap it and save it for Christmas morning when it is the first gift to be opened. One of the younger members of the family then places your Baby Jesus figure in the crib.



God our Father, you loved us so much, you sent us your only Son, Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary, to save us and lead us back to you. We pray that, with your blessing, these images of Jesus might be a sign of your presence and love in our homes. Good Father, give your blessing to all who gather with us this Christmas, family and friends. Open our hearts, that we might receive Jesus in joy, do always what he asks of us and see him in those who need our love. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son, who came to give peace to the world. You who live and reign forever and ever. Amen. (Pope Benedict, Bambinelli Sunday 2008)

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE FOR OUR PARISH

Christmas Eve	- Mon 24 th Dec. -	7.00pm	- Rathmore
		7.30pm	- Knocknagree
		8.30pm	- Gneeveguilla
Christmas Day	- Tues. 25 th Dec. -	9.00 am	- Shrone
		10.00am	- Gneeveguilla
		11.00am	- Knocknagree
		11.30am	- Rathmore

Jesus is the reason for the season

Eucharistic Adoration: Rathmore finishes on Thurs. 20th Dec.----- resumes on Thurs. 10th Jan.
Knocknagree finishes on Weds 19th Dec.----- resumes on Weds. 16th Jan.
Gneeveguilla finishes on Tues. 18th Dec.----- resumes on Tues. 8th Jan.
Shrone finishes on Thurs/Fri. 21st/22nd Dec.--- resumes on Thurs/Fri. 10th/11th Jan.

PARISH OFFICE

Opening hours of Parish Office: MON. & TUES. 9.30am to 12.30pm WED. 4pm to 7pm FRI. 11am to 2pm
Office CLOSED THURSDAY.

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

All Email correspondence relating to the Community Newsletter to: communitynewsletter@rathmoreparish.ie

ANNUAL WALK ON SUNDAY 30th DECEMBER 2018 IN AID OF KERRY HOSPICE: commencing at the Bridge bar. All welcome please support this worthy cause Enquiries 0876245071.

3rd Sun of Advent: Sing and shout for joy, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel;

Dec 17th Mon: *Trust that God is present in your life;*
 Dec 18th Tues: *Open your heart today with someone you find difficult; be compassionate;*
 Dec 19th Wed: *Delight today in the reality that our God became fully human, like us;*
 Dec 20th Thurs: *Pray for the people of Bethlehem today....pray for their peace;*
 Dec 21st Fri: *Share from your abundance with others – a smile, a compliment, a kindness;*
 Dec 22nd Sat: *Pause today in the quiet darkness to remember Jesus comes for each one of us.*