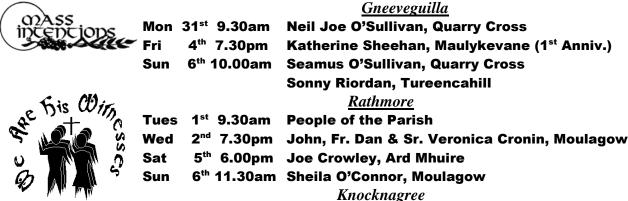
RATHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

In our Parish people are nourished by the Word of God. It is a Parish where love is tangible and practical. It is a place where people pray together. Our Parish community is centred on Jesus Christ, on knowing and loving Him.

It is incarnated in the love we show one another.

WEEKEND MASSES FOR SAT JULY 29th & SUN JULY 30th						
RATHMORE	Sat	29 th 6.00pm	Betty Cremin, Ard Mhuire			
			James & Abina O'Donoghue, Caherbarnagh			
GNEEVEGUILLA	Sat	29 th 7.30pm	Timmy McGillicuddy, Bounard (1 st Anniv.)			
SHRONE	Sun	30 th 9.00am	Mai & Christy Crowley, Gortdarrig			
KNOCKNAGREE	Sun	30 th 10.00am	MULTI-INTENTIONAL MASS			
			Mary, Daniel & Donie Hickey, Mountcain			
			Andy & Kathleen O'Sullivan, Knocknagree			
			(Please feel free to hand in names up until Mass time)			
RATHMORE	Sun	30 th 11.30am	Noreen & Paddy Doyle, East End & Noreen's brother Humphrey			
			Kerins, I/o London & Scartaglen.			
			Norma Moynihan, Knockdurath & Teach an Churaim			
			Geraldine O'Mahony, Convent View & her father-in-law Donal			
			O'Mahony, Gneeveguilla			





Thur 3rd 7.30pm Catherine Fleming, Killarney & I/o Knocknagree Sat 5th 7.30pm David O'Connor, Lisheen (5th Anniv.)

Shrone
Fri. 4th 6.00pm Private Intention

Sun 6th 9.00am Donors Intention

Fr. Pat (086)8351732 is the priest on duty on this SUNDAY for emergency and sick calls

CHILD PROTECTION REPRESENTATIVES

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

PARISH OFFICE-064 7761669: Opening hours: Mon. and Tues. 9.30am to 12.30pm Wed. and Thurs. 4pm to 7pm Friday 11 am to 2pm COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER - (064)7761669

<u>COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER</u>: Email correspondence relating to the Community Newsletter to communitynewsletter@rathmoreparish.ie DURING THE MONTH OF JULY the community newsletter will be compiled by <u>PARISH OFFICE</u> and all phone enquiries to (064)7761669. Short term ads, must be paid for in advance to the Parish Office before 12.30pm Tues to be guaranteed inclusion the following weekend.

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY: To Ann, Joe & Maurice O'Reilly on the death of their mother **Nora O'Reilly**, East End, Rathmore whose funeral took place on Wednesday in Rathmore. To the relatives and friends of **Tadhgie Horan**, Ard Mhuire, Rathmore whose funeral took place on Thursday in Rathmore. May **Nora and Tadhgie** rest in peace and may all who mourn their loss be comforted.

THE MUNSTER PIONEER GATHERING AND SPIRITUALITY DAY: will take place in The Woodland's House Hotel in Adare on October 1st 2017. This will be a most important day for the future of the Pioneer Association in Munster.

RECENT CHURCH GATE COLLECTION: THE IRISH WHEELCHAIR ASSOCIATION held their church gate collection in Rathmore, Gneeveguilla & Shrone Churches recently. The total amount collected was €1050. Your generosity is gratefully appreciated.

TROCAIRE APPEAL FOR EAST AFRICA: Last weekend a second collection was taken up at all Masses in the parish and indeed in every diocese in Ireland for An Emergency Collection in aid of Trócaire's work in East Africa — the total collected for the 4 churches in our parish was €6545.88. Thank you so much for your generosity for the people of East Africa.

THE IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE held a Blood Donor clinic in St. Joseph's Day Care Centre, Rathmore on Mon 24th JULY 2017. On behalf of The Irish Blood Transfusion Service please pass on our thanks to all who contributed to the running of this Clinic. 80 Donors attended our Blood Donor Clinic in St. Joseph's Day Care Centre. This generosity and commitment to helping others is very much appreciated. Donating Blood is a precious gift that brings life and hope to patients, their families and friends. More info.: www.giveblood.ie or telephone 021 4807400 or 1850 731 137.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018 - THIS SUNDAY JULY 30TH IS REEK SUNDAY — PILGRIMAGE TO CROAGH PATRICK, CO. MAYO — WILL FOCUS ON FAMILY AS PART OF PREPARATIONS TO WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018. Check out World Meeting of Families 2018 (WMOF2018) new website www.worldmeeting2018.ie and Registration is up and running. They have a newsletter every month and have so much information to share with you.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - BRING ALL THE FAMILY! 21st AUGUST 2017 - ONE YEAR TO WMOF2018 We invite you and all your family to come along to the launch of the one-year programme of preparation for World Meeting of Families 2018, which will take place at the Knock Shrine, County Mayo, on Monday 21st August 2017 on the Anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady in Knock. This day of celebration will include liturgical moments, the celebration of the Eucharist, workshops, as well as faith and fun activities for all the family. The WMOF2018 Icon will be anointed at Mass in the Basilica at 3pm and then begin its journey around the dioceses of Ireland. Please join us in Knock that day with all your family!

<u>COURSE IN YOUTH MINISTRY:</u> Are you interested? The Course commences on Tues. 26th September in St. John's Parish Centre, Tralee. The course will be delivered over 20 night, 10 before Christmas and 10 after. It is aimed at adults, volunteers or professionals interested in working and journeying with young people in parish, school, youth servicer or other settings. "The Church needs you, your enthusiasm, your creativity" (Pope Francis 2013) For more information contact Tomas Kenny, John Paul 11 Pastoral Centre, Killarney Tel. (086)3683778, email tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie

NOTE OF THANKS: The Fatima Committee wish to express their sincere thanks to all who participated and helped in any way with the healing Mass held on Thurs. July 13th in Gneeveguilla to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the 3rd apparition at Fatima. Special thanks to Fr. John Keane who does wonderful work in his healing ministry. A huge crowd attended from far and near and we thank everyone who are journeying with us on our programme to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the apparitions at Fatima. To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the next apparition which will be on Saturday 19th August, we are holding *a 24 hour fast from 5pm on Friday 18th August to 5pm Saturday 19th August for the salvation of souls.* And at the centre of all of these celebrations is the promotion of the holy rosary – it only takes 15 minutes to say the family rosary – you will transform your ordinary day into a precious bouquet of love for Our Lady. "Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will conquer the world." – Pope Pius IX "There is no surer means of calling down God's blessings upon the family... than the daily recitation of the Rosary." – Pope Pius XII.

Todays Gospel - **Matthew 13:44-52** – Difficult times often bring out the best in people. We see it in the way friends rally around a bereaved family, or communities raise money to help a sick child, etc. There are treasures in our people and our communities that we could never put a price on. Jesus talks today about hidden treasures and fine pearls, and prompts the question – what is most important to us, and what are we willing to sacrifice for it? Sometimes treasures like compassion and love are there for all to see, and other times they are hidden or buried and we have to go in search of them, and to remember to bring them to others. **The kingdom of God is always close at hand and within each of us.** (*Triona Doherty, Athlone, Co. Roscommon*)