RATHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

<u>SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS (5th JAN.)</u> Open our hearts and minds to your light – to grasp the truth that the Word became flesh and dwells with us, walks with us in sorrows and in joys, takes our hand in pain and sickness and leads us along dark roads which only his light can make clear.

WEEKEND MASSES FOR SAT. JANUARY 4th & SUN. JANUARY 5th 2020						
Sat	Sat 4 th 6.00pm RATHMORE Fr. Donal O'Leary, Church Place (1 st Anniv. & Birthday Remembrance)					
Sat	4 th	7.30pm	GNEEVEGUILLA	Mary C. T. Cronin, Goulane		
				Joan & Patrick O'Sullivan, Annaghbeg		
Sun.	5 th	9.00am	SHRONE	Donie Creedon, Knocknaloman & deceased of		
				Creedon family, Shrone		
Sun.	5 th	10.00am	KNOCKNAGREE	Mary & Denis Breen, Knocknagree Townland		
				Deceased members of Knocknagree GAA club		
Sun.	5 th	11.30am	RATHMORE	Maurice & Mary Keohane I/o Youghal		
				Dan Crowley, Inches (2 nd Anniv.)		



MONDAY 6th JANUARY TO SUNDAY 12th JANUARY 2020



FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY - 6TH JANUARY -HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY: Lord Jesus may your light shine our way, as once it guided the steps of the magi: that we too may be led into your presence and worship you, the Child of Mary, the Word of the Father, the King of nations, the Saviour of mankind; to whom be glory for ever.

	<u>Mass ir</u>	<u>1 the four Churche</u>	es as follows (PLEASE NOTE TIMES)
Mon 6 th	9.00am	SHRONE	Donors Intentions
	10.30am	RATHMORE	Donors Intention - Holy Family NS attending
	6.30pm	GNEEVEGUILLA	Donors Intention
	7.30pm	KNOCKNAGREE	Tim Cronin. Laxie

7th Tues 9.30am **RATHMORE** People of the Parish (PLEASE NOTE VENUE)

PLEASE NOTE: NO MASSES IN THE PARISH ON WED. 8th AND THURS. 9th JANUARY (Diocesan Assembly)					
Fri.	10 th	7.30pm	KNOCKNAGREE	Mary O'Rahilly, Shanballa (1 st Anniv.)	
Sat.	11 th	6.00pm	RATHMORE	Denis Lynch, Convent View & deceased of Lynch family	
				Denny Cronin, Quarry Cross	
				Andrew & Sheila Moynihan, Behinaugh	
				Maurice Leader, Cahirbarnagh	
Sat.	11 th	7.30pm	GNEEVEGUILLA	Kitty Barry, Tureenamult	
				Catherine & John O'Keeffe, Bounard	
				John & Mary Buckley, Renasup	
				Thady Lawlor, Gullane	
Sun.	12 th	9.00am	SHRONE	Donors Intention	

12th Sun.

10.00am KNOCKNAGREE Timmy O'Keeffe, Ballydesmond & I/o Knocknagree (1st Anniv.)

12th Sun. 11.30am **RATHMORE Donors Intention**

Fr. Tom Leane (029)78096 & (087)2300565 is the on duty this Sunday for emergency and sick calls

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FR. PAT O'DONNELL P.P. (086)8351732

CHILD PROTECTION REPRESENTATIVES

Han Donnelly(087) 1249461 (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. Wednesday 4pm to 7 pm. CLOSED THURSDAY Friday 11 am to 2pm **COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER**

All Email correspondence relating to the Community Newsletter to: communitynewsletter@rathmoreparish.ie Phone enquiries January to July (064) 7758219. Please note all adverts to be submitted by lunchtime TUESDAY to be guaranteed inclusion the following weekend. All short term ads, must be paid for in advance to the Parish Office. Acknowledgements to be pre-booked as only one can be included per week due to limited space.

WISHING ALL THE WOMEN A PLEASANT AND RELAXING Nollag na mBan

HEARTFELT SYMPATHY & PRAYERS: To Mary Hickey, Mountcain and to her family, Margaret, Mary & Sheila, on the death of her daughter, Breda Ní Dubhghaill, Glounthane, Cork, whose funeral took place on Thursday. May **Breda** rest in peace and may all who mourn her loss be comforted by the love, support and kindness of family and friends.

DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY: The Diocesan Assembly takes place this week from Wed. 8th to Fri. 10th Jan. *NO MASSES IN THE PARISH ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, ONLY EXCEPTION WOULD BE A FUNERAL MASS.*

The Diocese of Kerry will host a conversation on *FAITH IN THE FACE OF LIFE'S CHALLENGES* in The Gleneagle Ballroom, Muckross Road, Killarney on <u>Wednesday January 8th @ 8pm.</u> Ian O'Connell, Killarney, Elma Walsh, Tralee, Anne Alcock, Killarney and Fr. Donal O'Connor will share how faith has enabled them to face what life has thrown at them and Deirdre Walsh, Radio Kerry, will chair the conversation. Admission is free and all are welcome.

PARISH CALENDAR: 2020 Parish calendars have been distributed to all households in the parish together with parish envelopes for next year. If you have not received these, please contact the Parish Office. If you would like to send the calendar to a friend they are available at all the churches and Parish Office. **Donations are invited for same and proceeds going to local St. Vincent de Paul conference.**

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Thank you to all who volunteered to be Ministers of the Eucharist. We may be seeking a few more in some areas. If you would like to help, please give your name to Fr. Pat or Parish office or to any of the Sacristans. Training for Minister of the Eucharist will take place before the end of the month.

THANK YOU: All of our churches are looking so well this Holy season. Thank you to all our liturgy groups, altar societies and everybody who helped out and give of their talents to make our Churches look their very best for this holy season. We acknowledge and thank all who contribute to making our Churches places of welcome - *Sacristans, Ministers of the Word and Eucharist *Church Collectors and Cleaners *Altar Servers & Liturgy Groups *All in the music Ministry. A big thank you to each and every one of you from the youngest to the oldest who join us for our Church celebrations week in and week out.

A sincere Thank you to all for your generosity to the Christmas Offering collection (Pink Envelopes) second collection at Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: recommences in three churches in parish this week

Tues 7th Jan. Gneeveguilla – 10 am to 9 pm.

Thurs. 9th Jan. Rathmore in Adoration Chapel – 10 am to 9 pm.

Thurs/Fri. Jan. 9th/10th Shrone in the church – 4 to 5pm Thurs/9 to 11am Fri.

Knocknagree recommences on Wed. Jan. 15th – 10am to 9pm

---- OPEN INVITATION TO ALL ----- can you give an hour of your time????? COME CLOSER TO THE HEART OF JESUS - receive Him frequently –

adore Him in His presence in the Most Holy Eucharist....

Eucharistic

Adoration

JESUS WAITS FOR US IN THIS SACRAMENT OF LOVE – LET US BE GENEROUS WITH OUR TIME IN GOING TO MEET HIM IN ADORATION - MAY OUR ADORATION NEVER CEASE

Talk to GOD..... He will listen to YOU.

This is a time for just YOU and GOD..... Tell Him what is on your mind.

And remember to hear GOD...... YOU must listen first.......

(Excerpts from 2020, A New Year Reflection - Bishop Ray Browne)

A happy and a prosperous New Year to one and all. In my prayer I entrust to the loving care of God Our Father all the people, homes, and communities of our County and diocese. I think especially of people who are really struggling. The source of Christmas and New Year rejoicing is family, community and faith. We are not isolated individuals, we share our lives with family, friends and neighbours. Have time and, make time for people. With God, family, neighbours and friends there for us, 2020 can be a good year for us all. 2020 brings its share of great challenges. At an individual level many people of all ages suffer from ill health or sadness, from hurt or great anxiety. The Holy Spirit would have us unite and work together at all levels in our society in a selfless spirit of sharing and care for everyone. In May 2018 Pope Francis gave us "Rejoice and be Glad", a statement on how each one of us is called to holiness. He had in mind real "down to earth" holiness. He writes, "My modest goal is to repropose the call to holiness in a practical way for our own time. In the central chapter he rephrases the Beatitudes, Mt 5: 1-12. His words encourage and challenge us as we celebrate the New Year. They powerfully present our Christian calling to live "love of God and love of neighbour": "In the Beatitudes we find a portrait of the Master (Jesus Christ), which we are called to reflect in our daily lives.

God bless and a happy New Year to one and all.