

## 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 SATURDAY 12<sup>th</sup> & SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm Rathmore Veronika Vantrobova (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) 3 Cnoc a Gaoithe Gneeveguilla

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Knocknagree Rory O'Connor & daughters Marie & Brid & grandson Rory Jack O'Keefe Nohoval. Patrick & Hannah Buckley Shinnagh



Dan & Eileen Hickey & her brother Fr Denis Reen & their parents Molly & Maurice Reen. Knocknagree

Pat Reen Tureenareha

Pat & Cathy Hickey Mountcain & their son Patrick.

Sun 13<sup>th</sup> 9.00am Shrone Donors Intentions (Streaming from Shrone Church)

Sun 13<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Gneeveguilla John Michael & Hannah Mary Fleming. Tureenahill



### **MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm Gneeveguilla Joan (Mac) & John Hurley Lyrecorin . John Collin, Knocknagreeha

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> 9.30 pm Rathmore People of the Parish

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> 7.00 pm Rathmore Lizzie Desmond (Months Mind) Rathmore Townland

Thur 17<sup>th</sup> 9.30 am Knocknagree Jim Fitzpatrick l/o Carrigaline

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> 7.00 pm Rathmore Martin Bergin (Months Mind) Bru na Sinsear

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm Rathmore Julia Cremin(2<sup>nd</sup> Aniv) Lissyconnor. Joan & Vincent Cahill and their sons Donal & Stephen & daughter Anne & Denis & Terry Cahill.  
Joe Dineen West End. Peg O'Leary Readrinagh

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Knocknagree Jerome O'Rahilly Knocknagree (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) also

Sun 20<sup>th</sup> 9.00am Shrone Donors Intentions

Sun 20<sup>th</sup> 10am Gneeveguilla Nora & Richard McAuliffe & their daughter Deirdre Maguire l/o London & their son Gerard Buckinghamshire.  
Tim & Kathleen Collins Gneeveguilla Village  
Daniel Cronin Gneeveguilla Upper.

**Anniversary:** Please pray for Dan Sheehan, Umeraboy whose Anniversary occurred at this time

**Fr. Pat O'Donnell (064) 7758026 086 8351732 is the priest on duty this Sunday for emergency and sick calls**

Parish Office Opening Hours - Booking of Masses, Mass Cards, any query, just call, phone or email :(064) 7761669 or [rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie](mailto:rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie)

Opening hours: Mon. and Tues. 9.30am to 12.30pm. Wed Closed. Thurs.9.30 -12.30pm Friday 11 am to 2pm

Christmas Mass Bouquets now available in Parish Office

**NOTICE**

Mass for these Shared Intentions will be offered in Gneeveguilla 24<sup>th</sup> Dec @ 6pm  
Knocknagree 24<sup>th</sup> Dec @ 5pm. Rathmore 25<sup>th</sup> Dec @10am. Shrone 25<sup>th</sup>Dec @ 12noon

**Ushers Needed:** Because of the extra masses we need some additional ushers to assist our existing volunteers. Please phone the parish office to volunteer 064-7761669

## Christmas Masses

It has been an extraordinary year: when we joined hands on New Year's Day none of us could have anticipated what lay ahead. But we have adapted and made the best of it, and while it has been difficult there have been blessings too, a general slowing down, making contact with long lost friends, and seeing life in general from a more wholesome perspective.



Christmas will also call on us to diverge from normal routine and choose a slightly different option. I know, I can almost hear us all exclaim "but I usually!". This year you and I are asked to 'park' thoughts of ourselves and do things slightly differently for the benefit of others. We are not asking for something new; thinking of others is part of our everyday life in this parish, it's in our very DNA.

We have less priest's available to us that in previous years.... We must be particularly vigilant for our retired priests, particularly those with underlying conditions. We must ensure that we do not make unnecessary demands on them.

As you will see from the chart below we are spreading our Christmas Masses over a number of days and with a specific aim: **We want to give an opportunity for as many parishioners as possible to attend Mass and receive Eucharist for Christmas.**

**It is essential that all follow these guidelines:**

- **Please please, book in for only one Mass** during this period. In that way everybody will get equal chance.
- It will be possible to begin making **bookings online on Monday 14th** next from 10am
- Booking by phone: **Monday & Tuesday 10am- 12 noon** phone either **064-7761669** or **064 7758219**, **Monday & Tuesday 7-8pm** phone **087-4131416**. From Wednesday phone the Parish Office during Office hours.
- When making a booking; make a booking per household; ie if you are booking for your family (4 members) and a neighbouring family (2 members) , don't make a booking for 6 , rather make two individual booking for 4 and 2. This is to ensure that that ushers can ensure proper social distancing in church.
- Take time to chat with neighbours who don't have access to computer and ensure that they are not put at a disadvantage when it comes to booking. By making the booking for them it will also help reduce the workload on our wonderful secretaries.

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| <b>Rathmore Church</b>      |             |
| Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>    | 7pm         |
| Christmas Eve               | 3pm & 8pm   |
| Christmas Day               | 8am & 10am  |
| Sat Dec 26 <sup>th</sup>    | 4p.m & 6p.m |
| Sunday Dec 27 <sup>th</sup> | 11.30 a.m   |
| Monday Dec 28th             | 7p.m        |

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| <b>Gneeveguilla Church</b>    |               |
| Monday Dec 21st               | 6.30p.m       |
| Christmas Eve                 | 4p.m & 6p.m   |
| Christmas Day                 | 9am & 11a.m   |
| Saturday Dec 26 <sup>th</sup> | 5pm           |
| Sun Dec 27 <sup>th</sup>      | 10am & 12noon |
| Monday Dec 28 <sup>th</sup>   | 6.30p.m       |

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| <b>Shrone Church</b>       |         |
| Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> | 7p.m    |
| Christmas Day              | 12 noon |
| Sunday Dec 27th            | 9 a.m   |

  

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| <b>Knocknagree Church</b>     |         |
| Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>    | 7.30p.m |
| Christmas Eve                 | 5p.m    |
| Saturday Dec 26 <sup>th</sup> | 7.30p.m |

### Prayers & Sympathy

Sympathy to Nora O'Connor (Wash Basket), Rose & Sheila Crowley Shinagh on the death of their sister Catherine Crowley whose funeral took place on Monday. May Catherine gently Rest in Peace

The **Youth 2000 Christmas E-Retreat** will take place from the 18th - 20th of December. Registration is now free on [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)

