

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.

SATURDAY 17th & SUNDAY 18th April 2021

Sat 17 th	6.00pm	Rathmore	Michael Murphy, Knocknaloman (1 st Anniv)
Sun 18 th	11.30am	Rathmore	Matt O'Donoghue, Rathbeg (Months Mind).



Monday 19th April to Sunday 25th April 2021

Mon 19 th	7.00pm	Gneeveguilla	Dan Hurley. Lisheen
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Tues 20 th	9.30am	Shrone	People of the Parish
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Wed 21 th	7.00pm	Rathmore	Brendan Galvin, Knocknacopple (Months Mind)
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Thur 22 nd	9.30 am	Knocknagree	Donors intentions (Earth Day)
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Fri 23 rd	7.00pm	Rathmore	Timmy Hickey, Aunaskirtane (Months Mind)
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Sat 24 th	6.00pm	Rathmore	Dan Collins, Tureenamult. Nora & Sonny Cahill, West End Mela O'Leary, Knocknagree. Fr Jerry & Fr Bertie Hickey I/o Mountcain P.J. Breen, Churchview, Knocknagree, his parents Patrick & Mary and all deceased members of the Breen family. John O'Leary, Clounts.
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Sun 25 th	11.30am	Rathmore	Timothy Horan I/o Caherbarnagh & London Patrick Moynihan, Gortnagown, Tim & Margaret Breen, Couterough. Antoinette Cronin, Shinnagh . Con Crean, Sliabh Luachra
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Fr Jim Kennelly 029 76151 (087 7752948) is the priest on duty this Sunday for emergency and sick calls.

NOTICE

Parish Offices are to remain closed to the public. Any query please phone, leave a message and we will get back to you. There will be no collection service for mass cards. Mass cards can be ordered by telephone to the Parish Office (064) 7761669 or email : rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie and we will then send out in the post
Fr. Pat (086)8351732 (064) 7758026 Rathmore

CHILD PROTECTION REPRESENTATIVES

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

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

MABS runs a Helpline (0761 07 2000, Monday to Friday, 9am to 8pm) and operates from over [60 locations](#) nationwide. In Kerry, we can be contacted on mobile 087 4101355 or kerry@mabs.ie. We are a completely free, confidential, independent & non-judgmental service and we would be delighted to provide assistance to anyone you feel would benefit from meeting with us.

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY: To Michael Murphy, Gneeveguilla Village, his family Don, PJ, Michelle & Amy on the death of Mai wife & mother, also to her daughters-in-law, son-in-law, Amy's partner & grandchildren. To her brothers John & Donal, sisters Margaret (Lawlor) Pat (Fleming), Ann (O'Connor), Eileen (Sheehan) & Rose (Murphy), sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nephews & nieces, and extended family. May was laid to rest on Monday in Greeveguilla. To Dermot O'Keeffe, Old Road, the O'Sullivan family Tralee and extended O'Keeffe family on the death of Eileen O'Sullivan (nee O'Keeffe) l/o of Islanderagh whose funeral took place in Tralee on Thursday. May Eileen & Mai rest gently in the presence of the Lord and may all who mourn them be comforted.

Reflection on the Gospel - Take the Stand and Witness!

The Sunday readings immediately after Easter concentrate on Jesus' post- Resurrection appearances, and those who were witness to these events. Not everybody will join us on streamed Masses this weekend, so how are they to gain access to the Gospel?

They may not read, or hear the Gospel, but there is one other fundamental source: they can access the Gospel message through the witness of our lives.

Witnesses to the Resurrection? We will meet them along our way this week Those with extreme hip pain who will pray for others with more serious medical problems. There will be those who are overwhelmed by the kind gestures of others; that consoling phone call at time of mourning, the unexpected visit to see that all was ok. When we see this faith in action we can look back and say, "Christ is risen!"

Am I a convincing witness to others? That is this Gospel's challenge.

Our faith might be the only "Gospel" that some people read. They'll read it in how we treat others. They'll read it in our attitude towards poor people.

"You are writing a Gospel,
A chapter each day,
By deeds that you do,
By words that you say.
Men read what you write,
Whether faithless or true;
Say, what is the Gospel
According to you?" — **Paul Gilbert**

Trocaire: Please return your Trocaire boxes as soon as possible You can drop them into the church while we are still there after Masses.

Development Fund: Our thanks to all who have forwarded their Development Envelopes. Envelopes can be dropped into the letterbox in the Parish Office or the Presbytery. Despite income being considerable down, we are still managing to keep parish finances in the black.

World Earth Day April 22nd A Prayer for Our Earth.

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace. Pope Francis, Laudato



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