

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 15th & SUNDAY 16th May 2021

Sat 15th 6.00pm Rathmore Nell, Micheál & Denis Cronin, Maughantourg

Sat 15th 7.30pm Knocknagree Timothy B & Nora Murphy, Tureen.
Kathy & Denis O'Connor, Tureenamult

Sun 16th 9.00am Shrone Gerry Nagle, Gortdarrig & his son John l/o Dublin/Gortdarrig & deceased members of the Nagle family Gortdarrig
Dan Scannell, Shronebeg
Denis & Hanna Mary Cremin, Gortnagown

Sun 16th 10.00 am Gneeveguilla Mai Murphy (Months Mind)



The Holy Rosary is being recited before weekend Masses. It will commence 20 minutes before Mass
"The Rosary will cause virtue and good works to flourish" (Promise of Our Lady)



Monday 17th to Sunday 23rd May 2021

Mon 17th 7.00pm Gneeveguilla Sr Annunciata Collins & deceased members of Collins Family
Tureenamult. Arthur, Ann & Con Moynihan Leam

Tues 18th 9.30am Rathmore People of the Parish

Wed 19th 7.00pm Rathmore Donors Intentions



Thur 20st 9.30 am Knocknagree Donors Intentions

Fri 21st 7.00pm Gneeveguilla Dan O'Connell, Farrankeal.

Sat 22nd 6.00pm Rathmore Denis McCarthy, Ballycullane.
Mikey O'Leary, Nohoval & his parents Michael & Margaret & his brother Denny.
William & Nora Leader, Cahirbarnagh.

Sat 22nd 7.30pm Knocknagree Dan B Hickey, Knocknagree Village.

Sun 23rd 9.00am Shrone Patrick O'Callaghan, Gortdarrig

Sun 23rd 10.30am Gneeveguilla Paudie Gleeson, Mountrodge and deceased members of the
Duffy & Gleeson family.

Fr. Joe Tarrant 064 7751104 086 39 786 42 is the priest on duty this Sunday for emergency and sick calls.

NOTICE

Parish Offices opening hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9.30am to 12.30pm. Closed Wed.

Friday 11am to 2pm. Booking of Masses, Mass Cards, any query, just call, phone, or email. leave a message and we will get back to you. Parish Office (064) 7761669 or email : rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie

Fr Pat O'Donnell (064) 7758026 086 8351732 Rathmore

Prayer of St. Brendan the Navigator

May 16, the feast of St Brendan, will fall on a Sunday this year. It will not be possible for parishes and groups to celebrate the feast by gathering in large numbers. However, there is a particular way in which all in the diocese can mark the feast and it is suggested that parishes, schools, clubs, businesses and households put out a flag during that weekend; from the evening of Friday May 14 to the morning of Monday May 17.

As the freedoms we have in our lives increase, the flags can be a mark of our gratitude to those who worked in front-line, emergency and essential services in the difficult early months of this year and also an expression of thanks to those who are currently administering the vaccines to us all.

While many may wish to put up a religious or Papal flag or emblem outside their home, a county, parish or any similar flag is perfectly sufficient. As we continue to limit our contacts, we do not need to go shopping for a flag, we can just fly one which we may already have available in our homes.

When St. Brendan got back from his travels discovering America in a small wooden and leather boat around 564 AD, he wrote a book in Latin, 'Navigatio Brendani' or 'The Voyage of Brendan', which, some 900 years later (1477) convinced Christopher Columbus that there might just be something out there beyond the western horizon.

After he got back to Ireland, Brendan, filled with a missionary zeal, sailed from his native Kerry, round by the Aran islands, in by Salthill to Galway and soon founded an Abbey at Annaghdown, five miles up the Corrib River from Galway City (which did not exist for another 700 years).

Later on, he founded the Cathedral at Clonfert, between Portumna and Athlone, on the banks of the River Shannon. Clonfert Cathedral is still in use as a church today and has a most magnificent Romanesque doorway that attracts visitors from all over the world each year

He died at the Abbey in Annaghdown in the care of his sister, Briga and is buried at Clonfert.

This is his prayer. It is as meaningful today as it was 1500 years ago.

Prayer of St. Brendan the Navigator

'Help me to journey beyond the familiar
and into the unknown.

Give me the faith to leave old ways
and break fresh ground with You.

Christ of the mysteries, I trust You
to be stronger than each storm within me.

I will trust in the darkness and know
that my times, even now, are in Your hand.

Tune my spirit to the music of heaven,
and somehow, make my obedience count for You.'



THE MARY MONTH OF MAY:

The yearly traditions that welcome in summer. An old May custom was putting up a May altar in the home which celebrates the arrival of summer. A special table is laid with a cloth, on which is arranged a statue of the Virgin Mary, a blessed candle, an-egg cup full of primroses and several vases of wildflowers such as

buttercups, wild bluebells and cowslips etc. Children love listening to stories about Mary and Jesus. And they love nature – what a lovely project for them would be picking wildflowers for the May Altar. Praying the rosary or even part of the rosary with the family around the May Altar is another tradition that we remember. In these dizzying times let's remember the old May customs.