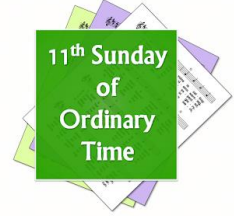


**RATHMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
**OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

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 12<sup>th</sup> & SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2021**

Sat	12 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	Rathmore	Kathleen Duggan, Shronemore (Months Mind)
Sat	12 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Knocknagree	Bridie Conway. (Months Mind)
Sun	13 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Shrone	Donors Intentions
Sun	13 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Gneeveguilla	Bridget & Connie Casey, Leam Mary & Jerry Murphy, Scrahanaville & their son Denis l/o Lisheen



**MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> to SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2021**

Mon	14 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Gneeveguilla	Donors Intentions
Tues	15 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Rathmore	People of the Parish



**Notice re 9.30a.m Mass June 15<sup>th</sup>:** Please note, Should there be a funeral on next Tuesday June 15<sup>th</sup>, there will be no 9.30am Mass. We will advise re same on the Monday evening Mass

Wed	16 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	Rathmore	Donors Intentions
Thur	17 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Knocknagree	Donors Intentions
Fri	18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Rathmore	Donors Intentions
Sat	19 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Rathmore	Mary & Florrie O'Mahony, Clounts
Sat	19 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Knocknagree	Paddy & Eileen O'Sullivan, Tureenclassagh Timmy Collins, Knocknagree and daughter Marie O'Keeffe l/o Kilcummin
Sun	20 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Shrone	Phil Cremin, Gortnagown. Neily Lenihan, Gortdarrig
Sun	20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Gneeveguilla	Patrick O'Leary, l/o Bantry Jim, Mai & Pat Joe Cronin, Coom

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

**Prayers & Sympathy** To Ann Marie Murphy, Helena, Mary, Timmy, Bernard, Sean & extend Murphy & Fitzpatrick family on their death of their mother Bridie Murphy Ballydaly to her brother Denis Fitzpatrick whose funeral took place in Ballydaly on Wed the 9<sup>th</sup> June.

To the Dennehy family Tara, Claire Michéal, Brendan, Margaret & Eileen & extended family on the death of their father & brother Dermot Dennehy l/o Rathmore whose funeral took place in Caherdavin Limerick on the 5<sup>th</sup> June.

May Bridie & Dermot rest in peace and may all who mourn their passing be comforted by the love and prayers of family and friends.

**Lough Derg 2021:** Lough Derg regrets that it will not be possible in 2021 to reopen Station Island for the Traditional Three Day Pilgrimage or even for the autumn programme of Day Retreats.

Lough Derg will again offer the opportunity to "Do Lough Derg from wherever you are" on 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> July.

The outdoor Pilgrimage on the Lough Shore Pilgrim Path will also be available as the summer goes on.

Further information from Lough Derg office 0(0353) 71 9861518 or [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org).

## The Mass: Central to our lives and to our Sunday

*An extract from Bishop Ray's Corpus Christi Sunday message.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, high priest of the new and eternal covenant, on the altar of the cross you offered a perfect sacrifice to the Father; - teach us how to offer it with you.* (Intercessions of evening prayer: The Divine Office)

For so much of the past fifteen months our congregations have been “fasting from the Bread of Life”. I appreciate how difficult many found it, also many felt it unfair. Being able to join in offering Mass via streaming and parish radio was a rich blessing, but it fell short of gathering in church.

I am conscious of the ongoing postponement of First Communions and Confirmations and the severe restrictions regarding funerals and weddings, - all sacraments so rich in meaning: Children meeting Jesus in the Bread of Life for the first time; older children receiving the life-long gift of the Holy Spirit. At a funeral the altar symbolises eternal life, “dying Christ destroyed our death”; at a wedding the altar symbolises faithful love, “the love of Christ even unto death”.

With the enforced ‘fasting’ in all our lives, has our appreciation of the “Bread of Life” grown? In our hearts has the absence increased our appreciation and love of the Mass:

Encourage one another in the faith, encourage one another in returning to regular Sunday Mass as church-capacity allows. Help gather the community round the altar. Hopefully, it will soon be possible for all to gather for weekend Mass. Value all the elements of a Christian Sunday:

- a day of rest, a day for family and neighbours
- a day to have time to turn to God in prayer
- a day to gather round the altar to offer Mass together

May the fifteen months of the pandemic renew in all of us our appreciation of the loving-kindness of God and of his gift to us of the Mass. May returning to Mass be a source of light and love for those personally struggling as a result of the pandemic. Finally, let all of us “be a good neighbour to all”, and let us pray for one another.

“O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine! all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine.”

**Gneeveguilla Church:** ““Eucharistic adoration will resume in Gneeveguilla church **this Monday (and every Monday) from 6-7pm**. To sit in the presence of the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is a source of many blessings - may it be for you”The Rosary is prayed at the village grotto in Gneeveguilla every Wednesday at 8:30pm. All are welcome”

**Holy Wells Day.** This weekend, why not visit a holy place in your Pastoral area as a family, and remember those who went before us, sustained by the presence of God? Our diocese is sprinkled with places of holy remembrance, Mass rocks and holy wells, Shrone The City” Holy Well: Millstreet: Tubrid Well, Cullen Three sisters’ well, , Aubane; St. John’s Well. Tobar na Súil, St Latiarans, Slánan, bhFaithní Dromtariffe: Holy Well near the old Church ruins. Mass rocks at Ballydaly and Tullig Millstreet.

### An Exam Prayer

God stay close to our students today  
Guide study and light their way.  
Ease their nerves and comfort them  
With peace and love so tenderly.  
May they remember the things they need  
And understand all they study and read.  
May they strive to give their best  
And do themselves justice in each test.  
May the topics they know and like appear  
On the exam paper to lessen their fear.  
And during the moments they may feel stressed  
May they remember the ways they are blessed.  
And if there are times that they feel at sea,  
Help them to trust that you’re here

**Parish Offices opening hours:** Office Open Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9.30am to 12.30pm. Friday 11am to 2pm.. Closed  
Wed. Parish Office (064) 7761669 or email : [rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie](mailto:rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie)

**NOTICE**

Booking of Masses, Mass Cards, any query, just call, phone, or email. leave a message and we will get back to you.

