


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 26th & SUNDAY 4th July 2021

Sat 26 th	6.00 pm	Rathmore	Moire Casey, Shinnagh Lr.
Sat 26 th	7.30 pm	Knocknagree	Denis & Catherine Mary Dennehy, Nohoval Jerry O'Connell, Tureen
Sun 27 th	9.00 am	Shrone	Michael O'Callaghan, Gortacorrin.
Sun 27 th	10.00 am	Gneeveguilla	Bridgett Dineen (10 th Anniv) Clounts, Rathmore

MONDAY 28th to SUNDAY 4th July 2021

Mon 28 th	7.00 pm	Gneeveguilla	Donors Intentions	
Tues 29 th	9.30 am	Rathmore	People of the Parish	
Wed 30 th	7.00 pm	Rathmore	Mamie & Patrick Nagle, Shinnagh Frank Buckley l/o Cahills Bar & remembering his wife Ann	
Thur 1 st	9.30 am	Knocknagree	Michael & Mary Casey, Laxie & their son Eugen Sr Mary Agnes Cronin, Boherbue	
Fri 2 nd	7.00 pm	Rathmore	Philomena McCarthy (1 st Anniv) Teach Chúram	
Sat 3 rd	6.00 pm	Rathmore	Jimmy, John, Julia & Patrick Meade, Gortnahaneboy East Denis & Mary O'Leary School Place & their son John C O'Leary l/o England Ann Sheehan, Lissyconnor. Tim & Margaret O' Connor. Mausrouir	
Sat 3 rd	7.30 pm	Knocknagree	Donors Intentions	
Sun 4 th	9.00 am	Shrone	Michael P Cronin, Shrone Beg	
Sun 4 th	10.00 am	Gneeveguilla	Donors Intentions	

Fr Jim Kennelly (029) 76151 087 2401331 is the priest on duty this Sunday for emergency and sick calls.

CHILD PROTECTION REPRESENTATIVES

Han Donnelly(087) 1249461 (Gneeveguilla) Margaret McGrath (089) 4182683 (Rathmore)
Ber Murphy (087) 6468620 (Shrone) Betty Moynihan (087) 6186091 (Knocknagree)

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"

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

NOTICE

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

Prayers & Sympathy: To Eileen O'Connor (nee Sheehan) on the death of her sister Mary Crowley Barraduff. We extend our sympathies also to Mary's family, Aileen, Mairead, Denis, Eoin & Gearóid, her brothers & sisters, extended Sheehan & Crowley families. May Mary rest in peace and those who mourn her be comforted.

Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation: Given that these ceremonies will take place very quickly in the new Academic Year, we have every confidence that Parents/ Guardians will avail of opportunities to nurture the faith of the children over the Summer months. Here are a few practical suggestions.

- Prayer before and after meals.
- Over the summer use the opportunity to point to the beauty of God's Creation.
- When the opportunity allows bring the children to Mass ... This is particularly important given that we haven't had the opportunity to gather as a Christian Community since March 2020
- When going for a walk with the family drop into the church for a moment of quiet prayer.

LET US DREAM (A Path to a Better Future)

As we slowly emerge from the pandemic I commend to you a thoughtful little book from Pope Francis, entitled LET US DREAM . Below is an extract, and as you will see it is a very 'readable' production. Fr Pat

IN THIS PAST YEAR OF CHANGE and crisis, my mind and heart have overflowed with people. People I think of and pray for, and sometimes cry with: people with names and faces, people who died without saying goodbye to those they loved, families in difficulty, even going hungry, because there's no work. Sometimes, when you think globally, you can be paralyzed: there are so many places of apparently ceaseless conflict, there's so much suffering and need. I find it helps to focus on concrete situations: you see faces looking for life and love in the reality of each person, of each people.

You have to go to the edges of existence if you want to see the world as it is. I've always thought that the world looks clearer from the periphery, but in these last seven years as Pope, it has really hit home. You have to make for the margins to find a new future.

But you can't go to the periphery in the abstract. I have a particular affection for the Rohingya people. The Rohingya are the most persecuted group on earth right now; insofar as I can, I try to be close to them. Right now in Bangladesh there are thousands of them in refugee camps with Covid -19 running riot. Imagine what happens when the virus hits a refugee camp. It's an injustice that cries to the heavens.

I met the Rohingya in 2017 in Dhaka: they are good people, people who want to work and take care of their families yet who are not allowed to, an entire population cornered and corralled. But what especially moves me is Bangladesh's fraternal generosity to them. It's a poor, densely populated nation; yet they opened their doors to 600,000 people. Their prime minister at the time told me how the Bangladeshis give up a meal each day so the Rohingya can eat.

This theme of helping others has stayed with me these past months. In lockdown I've often prayed for those who sought all means to save the lives of others while giving their own.

I don't mean they were careless, or reckless; they didn't seek death, and did their best to avoid it, even if sometimes they couldn't because they had inadequate protection: So many of the nurses, doctors, and caregivers paid that price of love, as did priests and religious and ordinary people whose vocation is service. We return their love by grieving for them, and honouring them.

Whether or not they were conscious of it, their choice testified to a belief: that it is better to live a shorter life serving others than a longer one resisting that call. That's why, in many countries, people stood at their windows or on their doorsteps to applaud them in gratitude and awe.

They are the saints next door, who have awoken something important in our hearts.

They are the antibodies to the virus of indifference. Could these caregivers, sadly gone from us now, be showing us the way we must now rebuild?

"If you can't fly, then run, If you can't run, then walk, If you can't walk, then crawl, but whatever you do, you have to keep moving forward." - Martin Luther King Jr.