

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

NOTICE

The Parish Office opening hours Mon, Tues, & Thur 9.30am -12.30pm Fri 11am – 2pm. Closed Wed.
Parish Office: Booking of Masses, Mass Cards, any query, just call, phone or email (064) 7761669 or rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie

Fr Pat O'Donnell (064)7758026 086 8351732

SATURDAY 10th & SUNDAY 11th DECEMBER 2022

Sat 10th Shrone 6.00pm Phil & Margaret Cremin, Shronebeg

Sat 10th Knocknagree 7.30pm Pat Reen Tureenareagha. Jerome O'Rahilly, Knocknagree
Dan Sheehan, Umeraboy

Rory & Mary B O'Connor & their daughters Maria & Brid & their grandson Rory

Do this in Memory of Me Masses

Sun 11th Gneeveguilla 9.30am Tim & Kathleen Collins Gneeveguilla Village. John & Catherine O'Keefe Bounard

Sun 11th Rathmore 11.30am Eily Breen, Scrahanagullane (1st Anniv)

Anniversary: Pray for Dan Sheehan Umeraboy who's Anniversary occurs at this time

Fr John Fitzgerald (029) 70043 0877752948 on call this Sunday 11th December for emergency and sick calls.

MONDAY 12th DECEMBER to SUNDAY 18th DECEMBER 2022

Mon 12th Gneeveguilla 7.00pm Margaret Leizneiski, Maulykevane.

The Donovan, Houlihan & Regan families. Jeremiah & Catherine McCarthy Gullane

Tues 13th Rathmore 9.30am Special Intention



Wed 14th Rathmore 7.00pm Pat Joe & Connie O'Keefe, Shinnagh Tommy Kelleher, Star Bar/Church Place
Mary & Freddie Murphy, Kilquane. Martin & Sheila Bergin, Brú na Seinsiar

Vincent & Joan Cahill, Cahills Bar & their sons Donal & Stephen & daughter Ann & her husband Frank

Thur 15th Knocknagree 9.30am People of the Parish

Fri 16th Gneeveguilla 7.00pm Veronika Vantrobova Gneeveguilla

Josef Stana (1st Anniversary) Frantiseh Vantrobo (1st Anniversary)
(daughter & fathers of Suzann & Peter) Knocknageeha



Sat 17th Shrone 6.00pm Donors Intentions

Sat 17th Knocknagree 7.30pm Dan Cronin, Shanballa, Knocknagree (1st Anniv)

Sun 18th Gneeveguilla 9.30am Daniel Cronin, Gneeveguilla Upper.

Sun 18th Rathmore 11.30am Gerry McCarthy, Stagmount (1st Anniv)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN OUR PARISH EVERY WEEK



Rathmore Church Wednesday evening from 6-7pm before Mass

Gneeveguilla Church Tuesdays 10am – 8pm Knocknagree Church: Thursday mornings from 10am – 11am

Christmas Mass Bouquets are now available in the Parish Office..

Rathmore St. Vincent de Paul 087 - 3462332

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION Before all Masses **SAT. 10th & SUN. 11th DECEMBER**

SHRONE – Sat. 10th Dec. 6pm

KNOCKNAGREE – Sat. 10th Dec. 7.30pm **GNEEVEGUILLA** – Sun. 11th Dec. 9.30am

RATHMORE – Sun. 11th Dec. 11.30am **BALLYDESMOND** – Sun. 11th Dec. 11.00am

You can also donate to our Credit Union and Bank accounts details as follows: Rathmore Credit Union account
(IBAN: IE02RDRN99106300120299

BIC:RDRNIE21) Millstreet AIB Bank account (IBAN: IE69AIBK93615406950116 BIC:AIBKIE2D)



Third Sunday of Advent (Dec 10th/11th)

What is special about the Third Sunday of Advent?

For much of the Church's history, this Sunday had a special name: "Gaudete" Sunday. The traditions surrounding this Sunday go back as far as the fourth or fifth century, as does the season of Advent itself. Advent, our preparation for Christmas, was originally a forty-day penitential season like Lent. In fact, since it used to begin on November 12 (just after the Memorial of St. Martin of Tours), it was called "St. Martin's Lent." "Gaudete Sunday" was the Advent counterpart to "Laetare Sunday," which marks the midpoint in Lent.

On Gaudete Sunday, the season of Advent shifts its focus. For the first two weeks of Advent, the focus can be summed up in the phrase, "The Lord is coming." But beginning with Gaudete Sunday, the summary might be, "The Lord is near." This shift is marked by a lighter mood and a heightened sense of joyous anticipation. On this day, we light the third candle of the Advent wreath, which is also rose-colored, or if you prefer, pink.

The word "Gaudete" is Latin for "Rejoice." In times when the focus of our anticipation is often on the negative and fearful, this celebration is a reminder that God who loves us is still in charge and that we await his coming not with fear, but with tremendous joy.

Brad Reynolds

Gaudete (By Brad Reynolds)

Because Christmas is almost here

Gaudete

Because some people love you

Because pain does not last forever

Because Santa Claus is coming.

Gaudete

Because of laughter

Because forgiveness is yours for the asking

Gaudete

Because of Christmas

Because of Jesus

You rejoice.



"**Gaudete**," which is the Latin word for "**rejoice**," is the Third Sunday in Advent.



CHRISTMAS SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

MAKE GOD'S FORGIVENESS A REALITY - ALL WELCOME

The Sacrament of Reconciliation on **Monday 19th December** from **7.30pm – 8.30pm** in **Gneeveguilla Church**.

The Priests of the Pastoral Area will be available during this time. Even if you are not receiving the Sacrament, please come in and spend a little time in quiet prayer.

Reconciliation Services will also take place in other churches in the deanery on the following dates:
Ballydesmond Sunday 18th Dec after 11.am Mass

Millstreet Tuesday 20th Dec. 7.30pm

Dromagh Wednesday 21st Dec 7.30pm

Kiskeam Thursday 22nd Dec. 8.00pm

The Samaritans will hold their Christmas Church Gate Collection on Christmas Eve & Christmas Day across all churches in the parishes

Prayers & Sympathies To Maureen Moore, daughter Breeda & son-in-law Niochlas on the death of Willie Moore Clounts, husband & grandfather, his grandchildren Lorna, Declan & Billy & families his sister Anna & extended family. Willie was laid to rest on Monday 5th December in Gneeveguilla
To Neily Joe Kelleher, family Karen, John, Neil, Hugo, Emma, Jeremy & Kenneth, grandchildren & families on the death of Annette Kelleher Gorthnahaune Bui East, wife, mother & grandmother, her brothers & extended family. Anette was laid to rest on Tuesday 6th December in Rathmore.
To Eilish Finnegan & family on the death of her father John Crowe whose funeral took place in Ruan, Co Clare on Monday 5th December.
May Willie & Annette rest in peace and may all who mourn their loss be comforted.

