

## 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.

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**SATURDAY 29<sup>th</sup> APRIL & SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023**



**Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 10.30 am First Holy Communion**  
(Holy Family School Rathmore)

**Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Shrone 6.00pm Patrick Moynihan, Gortnagown.**  
Christy & Mai Crowley, Gortdarrig

**Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 7.30pm Marie Breen, West End Knocknagree (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) remembering her husband John & their daughter Marion whose anniversary also occurs at this time.**

### *Vocation Sunday*

**Sun 30<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 9.30am Ritchie & Peggy O'Connor, Doon**

**Sun 30<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 11.30am John Moynihan, East End & William & Ann McAuliffe, Banteer & all deceased of the Moynihan & McAuliffe families. Tim Horan I/o of Caherbarnagh, London & Kilcummin Paddy & Annie Sheahan East End & their daughter Áine Gaborcik I/o Kinnegad Michael & Mary Murphy, Kilquane & their daughter Hannah Mary & her husband John Lyne, Killarney**

**Fr John Fitzgerald (029) 70043 087 7752948 on call this Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April for emergency and sick calls**

**MONDAY 1<sup>st</sup> MAY to SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023**

**Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Rathmore (Bank Holiday) 11.00am Denny Moriarty, Coom & his parents John & Julia**

**Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> No Mass**



**Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Rathmore (Note change of Mass time) 9.30am People of the Parish**

**Thur 4<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 9.30am Donors Intentions**

**Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 7.00pm Shane Fleming, Gneeveguilla & all deceased members of the Fleming family Martin Curran & Humphrey & Mary Moynihan & Tim Moynihan Reaboy.**

**Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 10.30am First Holy Communion (Knocknagree NS)**

**Sat 6<sup>th</sup> No Mass in Shrone**

**Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 7.30pm Danny Hickey, Mountcain & remembering his sister Sheila Casey, New Jersey Patrick & Maureen Ring, Danny & Lil Ring & all deceased of the Twomey, Ring & O'Sullivan families.**

**Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 9.30am Patrick Carmody, Banard**

**Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 11.30am John & Lizzie Murphy, Ballinahulla & all deceased of the Murphy family Jerry O'Leary, Nohovaldaly & his parents David & Kathy & all deceased of the Scannell family Rathbeg**



**Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Shrone 1.30pm "Mass in the City"**

**The Rosary will be recited at Tureencahill Grotto every evening during May @ 8pm. All welcome.**



### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN OUR PARISH EVERY WEEK

**Rathmore Church Wednesday evening from 6-7pm before Mass Knocknagree Church: Thursday mornings from 10am – 11am Gneeveguilla Church Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday from 10am – 8pm**

**Parish Office will be closed on Bank Holiday Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

### ***Prayer for Vocations***

Lord, You told us that  
"The harvest indeed is great but  
the laborers are few.

Pray, therefore, the Lord of the  
harvest to send laborers into His  
fields.

" We ask You to strengthen us as  
we follow the vocation to which  
You have called us.

We pray particularly for those  
called to serve as priests, sisters,  
brothers and deacons:

Those whom You have called,

Those You are calling now,

Those You will call in the future.

May they be open and responsive  
to the call of serving Your people.

We ask this through Christ, our  
Lord, **Amen.**

### ***'Take the Risk for Christ'.***

The Year for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood will run from Vocations/Good Shepherd Sunday, 30 April 2023. The Council for Vocations of the Bishops' Conference has organised this year to promote vocations to the diocesan priesthood.

"A key objective of this Year of Vocations is to start conversations within families, with priests and in parish communities on the beauty of the vocation of priesthood. Feedback from newly ordained priests indicates a strong correlation between their calling and encouragement received from a priest about their ministry, in other words taking the risk for Christ."

When it came to the call of the Apostles, Jesus did not pin a notice to a tree and ask for volunteers. Instead, he looked people in the eye and called them by name to follow him.

Individuals will rarely if ever answer the call to priesthood or religious life if they are not invited in the first place. This invitation comes in many forms.

It comes first of all in the home, from the example of parents and friends for whom faith in Jesus Christ is important. It comes

from priests who believe that a vocation is a privilege and not some type of burdensome obligation.

Jesus is with you where you are, at home, at work, college or school. It is there, in your ordinary daily life, that he will come to you. It is there that you must listen for his voice, and open yourself to whatever his call may be. If you ask Jesus, 'What do you want of me?', he will say 'Come and see'. It is vital that you spend time with him in prayer and reflection. Then you are more likely to hear his voice in whatever way he calls to you.

The first sign that Jesus may well be calling you to be a priest is a strong feeling deep within you. It is there that the voice of Jesus will reach, stirring you to listen more deeply and to discover his will of love for you

in his Church.

You may have to wrestle with the idea over several years. Time will give you the chance to look at your motives, and to explore other options with an open heart. If in the end the persistent and surviving thought is the priesthood, that will be a strong indication that Jesus may well be calling you to be a priest.

We take this opportunity to invite you, in the name of Jesus Christ, to dedicate your life to following Him in this special way of life. Do you feel called to be a priest in the Diocese of Kerry?

For information on Vocations in the diocese of Kerry please contact:- Deacon Connor Bradley

### **Prayer for Survivors**

Lord, I need your help to survive,  
A part of me's gone: but I'm still alive.  
Let me not be obsessed with "if onlys" and  
"whys"

Only you know the reason that somebody  
dies.

I must take time to weep, and smile when  
I can,

And not be concerned with the judgments  
of man.

Can I learn how to numb the everyday pain,  
So that hollow inside me will not remain?

May I substitute goals for my feelings of  
guilt,

And not be ashamed of the life I have  
built.

Make me believe that the sadness will  
pass,

That joy will return to my being at last.

Finally, show me the way to reach others  
like me.

Then I'll know my survival was destined to  
be.

### **Prayers & Sympathies**

To Seamus McCarthy, Sean, Hannah Mary & families on the death of their brother Gerard McCarthy Killarney/Gneeveguilla, Gerard's funeral took place in Killarney on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. May Gerard rest in peace and may all who mourn his loss be comforted.



