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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Fr Pat O'Donnell (0640 7758026 086 8351732 on call this Sunday 10th March for emergency and sick calls

SATURDAY 9th MARCH & SUNDAY 10th MARCH 2024

Sat 9th Shrone 6.00pm Months Mind Catherine Fitzgerald, Moulagow.

Sat 9th Knocknagree 7.30pm (Months Mind) Bridget Jackson (nee McCormack) England &I/o Umeraboy Timmy Joe O'Leary & his parents Nora & Patrick O'Leary. Tade Lehane, Park.

Martin Hegarty & his son Brian, Mountcain. Hannah Murphy, Newquarter & her son Denis (Mothers Day)

Sun 10th Gneeveguilla 9.30am Patrick & Margaret McGillicuddy, Leam. Sean & Ann O'Keeffe, Coom

Sun 10th Rathmore 11.30pm William Leavey, Gneeveguilla. Donie Dineen, Cahirbarnagh. Gene Reen, Rathbeg, Jack, Eily, Lena & Timmie & Baby Charlie. Alex Hickey Rathmore Townland. Patrick Nagle, Shinnagh Lower



Diocesan Collection for

the "Emigrant

Services will take place on next weekend

Donations can be

or drop into the

parish web

Parish Office

the 16th/17th March

contributed online on the donate tab on the

MONDAY 11th MARCH to SUNDAY 17th MARCH 2024

Mon 11th Gneeveguilla 7.00pm Jeremiah, Margaret & Thomas O'Leary, Maughtourig. Patrick & Mary Donnelly. Coom Lr. Connie Casey, Leam Aneas & Margaret O'Leary, Leam Memorial Mass Liam Peter Cronin, San Francisco & Tureencahill: requested by the Tureencahill Community Group

Tues 12th Rathmore 9.30am **People of the Parish**

Wed 13th Rathmore 7.00pm Denny Moynihan East End. Matt, Mary, Paud & Ann O'Donoughue Rathbeg & their Parents Francis & Hannah & their uncle John O'Donoghue.

Thur 14th Knocknagree 9.30am **Donors intentions**

(1st Anniv) Tade O'Leary, Leam

15th Gneeveguilla 7.00pm

St Patricks Day (Vigil Mass)

6.00pm

Sat 16th Shrone

Sat 16th Knocknagree 7.30pm

Johhny O'Mahony (1st Anniv) Tureencahill &

Donors Intentions

Remembering his wife Julia

(La le Padraig)

Sun 17th Gneeveguilla 9.30am (Do this in Memory of me) **Donors Intentions**



17th Rathmore 11.30pm Donal Mulcahy Ard Mhuire.

Memorial Mass Maura Murphy, Norkfolk & I/o Ard Mhuire

Opening Hours: Mon, Tues, & Wed 9.30am -12.30pm - Fri 11am - 2pm CLOSED THURSDAY Parish Office: Booking of Masses, Mass Cards, any query, just call, phone (064) 7761669 or email rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie

Prayers & Sympathies: To Liam Daly, Oran and Keelan on the death of Louise Daly Kilquane, Headford & Gneeveguilla wife & mother. Her father Jimmy and mother Susan and their partners Debbie and Danny, brothers James, Christopher and Brian, sisters Anne- Marie, Shelley, Jessie & families & extended family. Louise funeral Mass took place on Saturday 2nd March in Gneeveguilla

To Eileen, Michael, and Norann Kelly & families on the death of their mother & grandmother Catherine (Kathy) Kelly Gullane, Gneeveguilla. Catherines funeral took place on Thursday 7th March in Gneeveguilla May Louise & Catherine rest in peace and may all who mourn their loss be comforted.

Our Parish Conversation

Over the next 2 weeks, through the Parish Bulletin we will share with you the deliberations of the recent "Parish Conversation".

The Parish conversation was a wonderful success with 63 parishioners attending. Our thanks to those who trained as facilitators and who were so proficient in organising and facilitating the meeting. Please see below the wonderful variety, and richness of the conversation and this will go forward to contribute to the Diocesan Conversation.

1. Without the presence of a priest to lead and co-ordinate, what aspects of parish life could we, the laity take responsibility for and organise ourselves.?

Funeral teams working across the pastoral area. This allows for a large enough team to allow flexibility of response. Larger teams, also enables some element of choice by the bereaved family.... As there may be some historic personal relational reasons that the bereaved would prefer one person over another.

Home visiting of the sick and housebound in co-ordination with the priest, liaising with priest if home confession is asked for. First Friday visits and take holy communion to the sick and house bound.

· Pre baptism visits ·

Preparation of children for sacraments (if needed)... Many schools are doing a great job already preparing children for the sacraments. ??? are there schools that do not undertake this preparation work and a need for parishioner involvement. ·

Special time of year liturgical devotions For example, Stations of the Cross., Good Friday devotions · **Prayer groups**

Prayer service: want option of receiving the eucharist when prayer meeting is in the church and is a replacement of a mass ·

Are there parts of parish administration that could be done by volunteers? \cdot Building maintenance group? \cdot ? meeting couples preparing for marriage \cdot How can we look at new ways to be a community that is not as centred on the priest?

2. Where do we scope for co-operation with neighbouring parishes in our Pastoral Area.?

Start local: There was a strong sense that they would like as much as possible to happen in their own wider church parish before we start reaching out....'get our own house in order'. We have 4 churches that are working together but need to grow in ability and willingness to work together before we start working across the deanery. There was rich conversation about the need and challenges of maintaining a sense of belonging and a local church community going forward. Individual church capacity maybe an issue for some churches sharing services

Use of technology and social media to unify at both parish level and deanery level.

Choirs for special occasions like Christmas and Easter

Lay pastoral care teams- could be established and trained to work across a larger pastoral footprint.... With reps from each parish...

Online streaming of mass into one own church from other church within parish- people really valued social connections of own community and again the general idea of a streamed mass, with some local components... i.e. readers and eucharistic ministers...

A great desire for the availability of the eucharist in laity led, church-based Sunday prayer services when priest is not available to say mass. · Quarterly Baptisms

Quarterly months-mind masses

Lenten talks and general adult formation

What admin and resource management can be shared?

Need an active and well managed website to share resources and up to date information across the pastoral area/Deanery.

Shared funeral teams... as noted previously, sometimes it is good to have a known person, but there may be times when a stranger is better received.... Such a sensitive time and area of pastoral care. \cdot General absolution services \cdot Diocesan lay school inspector, for pre sacrament visit

Fundraising \cdot Forums established to learn from other parishes/deanery/dioceses... new initiatives, what works and as important what didn't work.... Sharing expertise

Remainder of the "Parish Conversation will be in next week's bulletin