

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



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

Fr Pat O'Donnell (064) 7758026 / 086 8351732

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES Siobhan Carmody 087 9498347 (Gneeveguilla). Betty Moynihan (087) 6186091 Knocknagree Margaret McGrath 089 4182683 Rathmore, Stephanie Brosnan 087 9449288 Shrone.

Pastoral Area: Fr Danny Broderick (029)76151 /087 9061255 is on call Sunday 3rd August for emergency and sick calls

Parish Office will be closed on Bank Holiday Monday the 4th August

SATURDAY 2nd AUGUST to SUNDAY 3rd AUGUST 2025

Sat 2nd Shrone 6.00pm Mai Crowley. Gortdarrig & remembering her husband Christy, son Den Joe & granddaughter Denise.

Sat 2nd Knocknagree 7.30pm (1st Anniv) Anna Dalton, Knocknagree Village

Sun 3rd Gneeveguilla 9.30am Helena & Tadhgie Sheehan, Tureencahill.

Sun 3rd Rathmore 11.30am Philomena McCarthy, Teach an Churam. Joe Crowley. Árd Mhuire

MONDAY 4th AUGUST to SUNDAY 10th AUGUST 2025

Mon 4th (Bank Holiday) Rathmore 11.00am Donors Intentions

Tues 5th Rathmore 9.30am People of the Parish

Wed 6th Rathmore 7.00pm John Peggy, Fr Dan & Sr Verosice Cronin, Maulagow
Hannah Dennehy, Counerough.

Thur 7th Knocknagree 9.30am Fr Connie Moynihan, Knocknagree. Bill O'Rahilly, Knocknagree
Mary (Dennehy) Kelleher, Knocknagree

Fri 8th Rathmore 7.00pm (Months Mind) Donie O'Leary, Rathmore/Killarney

Sat 9th Shrone 6.00pm Paddy & Margaret Desmond, The Bridge & their sons Diarmuid & Patrick

Sat 9th Knocknagree 7.30pm (Months Mind) Gerard O'Mahony, Umeraboy

Sun 10th Gneeveguilla 9.30am Con. T. Cronin & Mary, Goulane. Seamus O'Sullivan, Quarry Cross
O'Sullian Family, Gneeveguilla Cross. Cashman Family, Gullane.

Sun 10th Rathmore 11.30am Connie & Margaret Kelleher, Shinnagh.
James & Bina O'Donoghue, Caherbarnagh

Diocesan Collection: The annual collection of the **Pastoral Centre** will take place this weekend 2nd /3rd Aug. Donations can be contributed online on the donate tab on the parish website www.rathmoreparish.ie or drop donation into the Parish Office

Duhallow Sliabh Luachra

Pastoral Area

Ballydesmond - Boherbue -

Dromtariffe- Millstreet

Rathmore

Fun Walk

Sunday Aug 3rd @ 3pm

For those who use Google Maps: if you enter Cordal Wind Farm it will bring you to the place where the walk begins.

For those not into technology, we will meet in the carpark beside Ballydesmond Church at 2.45pm. ... the convoy will depart to the windfarm at 2.50pm sharp.



Eucharistic Adoration: The Eucharistic Adoration is in the Church of the Holy Rosary Gneeveguilla every Tue from 10am – 8pm. The Holy Rosary is prayed in the Church every Wed at 8pm. This is live Streamed MCN Gneeveguilla

Divine Mercy : Join the Divine Mercy Hour in the Church of the Holy Rosary Gneeveguilla on every First Friday @ 3pm. It is streamlined on MCN Gneeveguilla

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

The Third Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 23rd of August 2025.

Please note the date and consider taking part in this special time of prayer and reflection at Ireland's National Marian Shrine.

Bus will leave from Rathmore Church @ 6.45am approx.. Please call the Parish Office to book on 064 7761669

or email rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie

Have You Money or Are You Rich?

In the musical 'Fiddler on the Roof' the main character, Tevye, daydreams about how his life would be different if he was wealthy.

[TEVYE, spoken] *Oh dear Lord, you made many, many poor people. I realize, of course, that it's no shame to be poor. But it's no great honor either. So what would have been so terrible if I had a small fortune?*

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells about the man who stores up earthly wealth but is called a fool by God, for he dies before he can enjoy it. The lesson is clear: having money does not mean we are truly rich.

(sung) *If I were a rich man
Ya ba dibba dibba dibba dibba dibba dum
All day long I'd biddy biddy bum
If I were a wealthy man
I wouldn't have to work hard
Ya ba dibba dibba dibba dibba dibba dum
If I were a biddy biddy rich
Idle-diddle-didle-didle man.*

We live in a world where wealth is measured in Euros, square footage, cars, or investments. But Jesus challenges that thinking.

The real question is: ***Are we rich in what matters to God?***

A successful executive with luxury homes and a private jet recently shared in an interview, *"I have everything I dreamed of, but I'm constantly anxious and disconnected. I built my wealth but lost my family."* **Money without love is not richness.**

In contrast, a woman working two jobs to support her children shared a story of offering her only umbrella to a stranger during a rainstorm. *"I have little, but I have enough to share," she said.* **Generosity is a form of spiritual wealth.**

A group of second level pupils spent their summer holidays volunteering at a food bank instead of going on a trip. *"We wanted to do something that would matter," one said.* **Compassion builds eternal treasure.**

There once was a man who decided to start jogging to improve his wellbeing. On his first day out, he ran just a few blocks before he was completely out of breath. Gasping for air, he stopped, looked up to the sky, and prayed:

"Lord, I don't know how long I'm going to keep this up, but please bless me with the strength to run a little farther tomorrow."

The next day, he ran a little farther, but again struggled. At the end, he prayed the same prayer, with one small change:

"Lord, if you could just help me survive the next run without collapsing, I'd be grateful."

Weeks went by, and he kept running, praying, and sometimes wheezing. One day, he finally reached the end of his route without stopping! Overjoyed, he looked up and said:

"Thank you, Lord! Now, could you please bless me with the strength to walk back home?"

Moral: Wellbeing is a journey filled with ups and downs. Sometimes the best prayer is simply asking God to help us keep going — even if that means taking it one step at a time!

Prayer

Lord, teach me to value what truly lasts. Help me to be rich in kindness, patience, and faith. May I store up treasures in heaven by living with open hands and a faithful heart. Amen

