

# 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.

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



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](mailto:rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie)

Parish Office will be Closed on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August ((Staff Day)

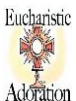
Pastoral Area Fr Pat O Donnell (064) 7758026/ 086 8351732 on call Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August for emergency and sick calls

## SATURDAY 16<sup>th</sup> AUGUST MARCH to SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2025

Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Shrone 6.00pm Charlie Mc Carthy, Ballycullane.  
Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 7.30pm Rita & Flor Collins, Nohoval. Denis O Connor, Lamanaugh/Milford  
Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 9.30am Trish Creagh Mc Larnon, Con and Kathleen Hurley, Lyreacorrin.  
Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 11.30am Donors Intention

## MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST to SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2025

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 9.30am Donors Intention  
Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 9.30am People of the Parish  
Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 9.30am (Note Church ) Donors Intentions  
Thur 21<sup>st</sup> No Mass  
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Rathmore 7.00pm Dylan Crowley, Rathbeg  
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Rathmore 8.00pm (Months Mind) Michael O'Keeffe, Tureencahill  
Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Shrone 6.00pm Donors Intentions  
Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Knocknagree 7.30pm (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) Tim Dennehy, Renasup  
Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 9.30am Denis Murphy, Lisheen & his parents Jerry & Mary, Scrahanavile  
Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 11.30am Michael Foley (Mike), Mounthorgan



**Eucharistic Adoration Rathmore Wed from 6-7pm. Knocknagree Thur morning 10am -11am**  
**Eucharistic Adoration: Gneeveguilla every Tue from 10am - 8pm.**  
**The Holy Rosary is prayed in Gneeveguilla Church every Wed at 8pm This is live Streamed MCN Gneeveguilla**

**Prayers & Sympathies** We pray for Aniela Michalak, passed away on 11/08/2025, in Lipnica Wielka/Poland. The requiem Mass took place on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August. We extend our sympathies to her son Tadeusz, her daughter in law Grace, and her grandchildren Kacper, and Jakub.  
To Nuala Riordan, Donald, Christina and Sheila & families on the death of her husband and father Donal Riordan, Shanballa, Knocknagree and late of Oakpark, Tralee, his sisters Helen and Kathleen, brothers Dennis and Patrick, & families & extended family  
Donals's funeral took place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August in Knocknagree  
May Aniela & Donal rest in peace and may all who mourn their loss be comforted.

**Diocesan: The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 23rd of August 2025. Bus will leave from Rathmore Church @ 6.45am approx.. Please call the Parish Office to book on 064 7761669 or email [rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie](mailto:rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie)**

### Think Positively

A blind boy sat on the steps of a building with a hat by his feet. He held up a sign which said: "I am blind, please help." There were only a few coins in the hat.

A man was walking by. He took a few coins from his pocket and dropped them into the hat; He then took the sign, turned it around, and wrote some words. He put the sign back so that everyone who walked by would see the new words.

Soon the hat began to fill up. A lot more people were giving money to the blind boy.

That afternoon the man who had changed the sign came to see how things were. The boy recognized his footsteps and asked, "Were you the one who changed the sign this morning? What did you write?"

The man said, "I only wrote the truth. I said what you said but in a different way." I wrote: "Today is a beautiful day but I cannot see it."

Both signs told people that the boy was blind. But the first sign simply said the boy was blind. The second sign told people that they were so lucky that they were not blind. Should we be surprised that the second sign was more effective?

### Moral of the Story

- Be thankful for what you have.
- Be creative. Be innovative.
- Think differently and positively.

When life gives you a 100 reasons to cry, show life that you have 1000 reasons to smile. Face your past without regret. Handle your present with confidence. Prepare for the future without fear. Just think God is near.

- I fear. Keep the faith and drop the fear. Just think God is Near!

#### Prayer to our Blessed Mother

Take my hand O Blessed Mother,  
Hold me firmly lest I fall,  
I am nervous when I am walking,  
And to Thee I humbly call.  
Guide me over every crossing,  
Watch me when I am on my way,  
Let me know you are beside me,  
Listen to my frequent prayers.

Bring me to my destination,  
safely every single day,  
Help me with my understanding,  
As the hours pass away.  
And when evening falls upon me,  
And I fear to be alone,  
Take my hand O Blessed Mother  
And once again guide me home.

#### Bus Escort Vacancy

Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra (Rathmore Community school) is looking for an enthusiastic, friendly Bus Escort, to join our team.

This would be in a part-time capacity (2 hours each day) to facilitate transport of a number of our students for the school year 2025/2026.

Applicants would need to be available in the morning before school and in the afternoon after school. Estimated start time: 7.45am in the mornings and 3.40pm in the evenings, except on Fridays which would be a 1.10pm start due to the half day.

School begins at 8:48am and finishes at 3:43pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and finishes at 1.12pm on Fridays.

The successful candidate will need to work every day that the school is open.

Role is for 10 Hours approx. Exact hours will be confirmed when the route is confirmed.

The job of a bus escort entails the following duties :

\*ensuring the safe transition of pupils with special needs from their homes to school and home again each day.

\*ensuring that each student is received by some responsible person at the set down point.

\*liaising with parents and staff daily.

\*ensuring all children are safe on school transport. (seating, harnesses, seat belts etc.)

The appointment is subject to Garda vetting requirements.

Child Safeguarding online training with TUSLA.

Additional relevant qualifications or courses would be beneficial (e.g. First Aid, Manual Handling, Positive Behaviour Support Strategies)

Shortlisting will apply, only candidates selected for interview will be contacted.

Hourly rate of pay is €15.50 per hour, see Appendix 3 of Circular 0020/2025.

Holiday pay is calculated at a rate of 8% of the hourly rate. This equates to €1.24 (€15.50 x 8%). Holiday pay is paid as a separate payment during Christmas, Easter and summer breaks.

Bus Escorts are entitled to claim social welfare entitlements during summer closures.

**To apply: Via Post Only to the Secretary of the Board of Management, Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra, Rathmore, Co. Kerry P51 PR53** Send a CV, references and a cover letter detailing why you would like to work as a Bus Escort and any other relevant experience you may have. Closing date for receipt of applications is Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August at 12 noon.

Further information call 064 77518135 or email [admin@spslrathmore.ie](mailto:admin@spslrathmore.ie)

