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.

Fr Pat O'Donnell (064) 7758026 /0868351732

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

Pastoral Area: Fr Joe Tarrant (064) 7751104 0863978642 on call Sunday 16th Nov for emergency and sick calls

SATURDAY 15th NOVEMBER to SUNDAY 16th NOVEMBER 2025

Sat 15th Shrone 6.00pm

Jackie & Kathy Scannell, Shrone. John & Eily Mai O' Connell, Millstreet.

Denis & Nell O'Mahony, Mountrodger

Sat 15th Knocknagree 7.30pm

(Months Mind) Maureen Moynihan, Knocknagree

Sun 16th Gneeveguilla 9.30am

Neil Fleming, Renasup. Denis Holey I/o Mallow/Castlemagner

Sonny, Eileen, Michael & Dermot McSweeney & all deceased of the McSweeney family, Leam

Margaret Brosnan & her parents -in-law Timothy & Margaret Brosnan, Tureenamult

Sun 16th Rathmore 11.30pm

(1st Anniv) Oliver Ryan, I/o Killarney & Rathbeg

MONDAY 17th NOVEMBER to SUNDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 2025

Mon 17th Gneeveguilla 7.00pm

November List

Tues 18th Rathmore 9.30am

People of the Parish

Wed 19th Rathmore 7.00pm Deceased members of "The Rathmore Branch of INTO" Peter & Bridie Dennehy, Annabla.

Deceased members of the O'Reilly family, East End.

Deceased members of the Rathmore Adoration Group.

Vincent & Joan Cahill, Cahills Bar sons Donal & Stephen, daughter Ann, son in-law Frank & Donal & daughter- in- law Margaret

Thur 20th Knocknagree 9.30am Margaret Moynihan Knocknagree & the deceased members of the Moynihan family

Fri 21st Rathmore 9.30 am (Note Mass Time) Feast Day of the Presentation of Our Lady (Holy Family NS)

Sat 22nd Shrone 6.00pm

November List

Sat 22nd Knocknagree 7.30pm Denis & Hannah O'Sullivan, Mountcain. Jim Walsh, Knocknagree.
John Daly, Renasup. Denis Noel O'Leary Lacka & his parents Denny & Cathy. Andy B Hickey, Mountcain.
Donie & Sheila Sheehan & their son Denny Sheehan. Con & Maureen Herlihy, Farrankeal & their son John.
Tade & Nellie Lehane, Park. Betty Murphy, Park & her son John Gerard. Jerry McSweeney, Knocknagree Village

Sun 23rd Gneeveguilla 9.30am Charlie Collins, Lyrecorrin. Kitty Curran, Reaboe, Gneeveguilla. Michael Cashman, Gullane

Sun 23rd Rathmore 11.30am Sonny & Nora Cahill. West End. Lizzie & Bertie Desmond, Rathmore Townland.

Dan & Maureen Murphy, Inches. Alex & Peggy Murphy, Knocknaloman. Martin Duggan, Banard.

Patrick & Hannah Cronin Upper Shinnagh & their daughter Antionette. Ann (Lane) Cronin Freemount

Eucharistic Adoration Rathmore Wed from 6-7pm. Knocknagree Thur morning 10am -11am

Eucharistic Adoration: Gneeveguilla every Tue from 10am – 8pm.

Knocknagree -Kenya Cake Sale

Adoration

A Christmas Cake Sale will take place in the adoration room on Sat 29th November before & after the 7.30pm Mass in aid of Fr Sean Cremins Missionary work, your support will be greatly appreciated.

Music Celebration for Jubilee Year

The Diocese of Kerry will celebrate those who bring their gift of music and song to our liturgy with a special Mass on Tuesday Nov 18th @ 7.30pm in St Mary's Cathedral, Killarney. All are welcome!

A Season to Slow Down: God's Call to Rest

"There is something sacred about the way creation accepts winter. The trees do not resist their barrenness, nor the animals their rest. They trust the cycle God has written into their being — a rhythm of dying and rising, of resting and renewing. In our own hibernation seasons, we are invited to do the same: to trust that even in the dark and the quiet, God is at work."

As the days grow shorter and the nights stretch longer, creation itself seems to whisper a gentle invitation: **slow down, rest, and be still.** The natural world begins to hibernate; trees shed their leaves, animals retreat to quiet places, and the earth pauses to renew its strength.

In this slowing rhythm of late autumn, we too are invited to pause. The Church's year mirrors this movement — a time to reflect, remember, and prepare our hearts for the coming of Advent. The darker evenings are not a sign of loss, but a reminder that **God works in the quiet and hidden places of life**.

- "Be still, and know that I am God."
- Psalm 46:10

Just as the earth rests before spring's renewal, so too are we called to step back from constant activity and allow God to restore our souls. These November nights can become sacred spaces for prayer, gratitude, and remembrance — moments to sit with a cup of tea, light a candle, and simply breathe in God's peace.

- "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."
- *Matthew 11:28*

Let us embrace this quieter season as a **holy hibernation of the heart** — a time to draw near to God in stillness, trusting that even in the darkness, His light continues to grow within us.

Slow Me Down, Lord

Slow me down, Lord.
Ease my pounding heart,
quiet my racing mind,
and steady my hurried steps.

Remind me that I do not have to do it all—
that there is time enough for what truly matters.
Teach me the grace of unhurried moments,
the gift of simple things,
and the peace that comes from resting in You.

Help me to take each day as it comes, to walk slowly among the wonders of Your world, and to notice the beauty that escapes the anxious eye.

Give rest to my troubled soul, Lord.

Let me lean into Your rhythm of grace —
work and rest, giving and receiving,
doing and simply being.

May I find You not only in the noise of my striving, but in the stillness where You dwell.

Slow me down, Lord, that I may hear Your voice, and live this day in quiet trust and gentle peace. Amen.

St John's Parish Church, Tralee



Mass Celebrating all Nations in the Community Sunday, 30th November 2025 (First Sunday of Advent) Celebrant: Bishop Ray Browne

In St. John's Church, Castle Street, Tralee, at 12 noon.
All Welcome.

First Saturday Conference in Knock

To mark the 100th anniversary of the First Saturday Apparition in Pontevedra, Spain, there will be a special conference in Knock on the first Saturday in December

- December 6th.

The day begins with adoration and confessions at 10am in the Reconciliation Chapel. There will be three talks from Bishop John Keenan, Antonia Moffat, and Fr Philip Kemmy in St John's Centre.

There will also be the Rosary led by the Children's Rosary group, a 15 minute meditation led by Fr. Marius O'Reilly, as Our Lady requested for the First Saturdays, and time for lunch.

At Fatima, Our Lady promised that there would be peace in the world and that many souls would be saved through this devotion. For more details please visit <u>firstsaturdays.ie</u>