

## 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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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)

**Pastoral Area Fr Danny Broderick (029)76121 0879061255 on call 18<sup>th</sup> January for emergency and sick calls**

## **SATURDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JANUARY to SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2026**

Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Shrone 6.00pm Donors Intentions

Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 7.30pm (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) Hannah Mai O'Connell, Knocknagree & remembering her husband Dan & sons Noel & Raymond

Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 9.30am Teresa Cremin, Cottage. John & Mary Buckley, Renasup. Tady Lawlor, Gullane & all deceased of the Lawlor & Murphy Families.

Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 11.30am John Cronin Knockdurath. & his son Gerard. Kathleen McAuliffe & Jeremiah McAuliffe Forge Cross. John McAuliffe East End

## **Catholic School Week (18<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> January)**

### **MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JANUARY to SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2026**

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 7.00pm (1<sup>st</sup>) Eileen Sheehan London/Gneeveguilla

Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 9.30am People of the Parish

Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Rathmore 7.00pm John & Mai O'Connor. Gloungriskeen. Sheila & Christy Horgan, Clounts & all the deceased Family members.

Thur 22<sup>nd</sup> Knocknagree 9.30am Andrew O'Rahilly & his daughter Mary. Mary Cotter (who died recently) l/o Knocknagree & Bermingham

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Rathmore 11.00am ( Note Mass Time) Holy Family NS "Grandparents Day "

Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Shrone 6.00pm Donors Intentions

Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 7.30pm Nora Cronin, Gneeveguilla Upper. Mary & John Smith, Shanballa/Leicester. Thomas & Maureen Murphy, Renasup. Pat O'Mahony, Knocknagree. Denis & Phyliss Hickey, Scrahan Michael & Lena Dineen, Knockneenagullane. Michael, Catherine, Anna (Dalton) & Michael Joseph O'Keeffe, Knocknagree Village

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 9.30am Abina & Denis O'Riordan, Leam & their daughter Joan (Sheehan) and son in law John Tom Joe O Donoghue, Knockra. Mary Philip Cremin Renasup & their sons Patrick and John Tim and Kathleen Collins, Gneeveguilla

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 11.30am Abbie Dineen, Hollymount, (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) Paddy Crowley, Barra



Eucharistic Adoration Rathmore Wed from 6-7pm. Knocknagree Thur morning 10am -11am  
Eucharistic Adoration: Gneeveguilla every Tue from 10am – 8pm

**DIOCESAN COLLECTION:** the annual collection for the **Needs of the Holy Land** will be take place this weekend the 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> January. Donations can be contributed online on the donate tab on the parish website [www.rathmoreparish.ie](http://www.rathmoreparish.ie) or drop into the Parish Office

**Catholic Schools Week 2026**  
**18th to the 24th January 2026**  
**Normal Lives, Called to Holiness**

*“Holiness does not mean performing extraordinary things, but doing ordinary things with love and faith.”*  
— Pope Francis on Blessed Carlo Acutis

**Introduction**

Catholic Schools Week 2026 celebrates the extraordinary call to holiness in the midst of ordinary life. Inspired by Pope Francis’s reflection on Blessed Carlo Acutis—soon to be canonised as the first millennial saint—this year’s theme invites pupils, teachers, families, and parishes to explore the call to holiness as something both universal and accessible. Holiness is not for a few, but for all; not reserved for religious professionals or mystics, but for every student, teacher, parent, (and grandparent!) living each day in friendship with Jesus Christ.

Catholic schools exist to form individuals who know that their lives have a purpose and a calling. This year’s theme, “Normal Lives, Called to Holiness,” resonates with the central conviction that education is a path not only to knowledge and maturity but to sainthood.

*“Each of us is called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do.”*  
— Gaudete et Exsultate, 14

**Daily Themes**

**Monday: Called to Holiness through Prayer**

Holiness begins with a relationship with God. Children will learn that prayer is the lifeblood of that relationship—from silent moments to joyful praise, from formal prayers to personal words shared with Jesus.

**Tuesday: Called to Holiness through Love and Friendship**

Holiness is lived in love of neighbour, in kindness, forgiveness, and friendship. Inspired by the words of Jesus, “Love one another as I have loved you” (John 15:12).

**Wednesday: Called to Holiness in Family Life – Grandparents’ Day**

A cherished tradition, this day honours the vital role grandparents and elders play in passing on the faith and in showing how holiness can be lived over a lifetime. Pupils will be encouraged to show gratitude and celebrate their family roots.

**Thursday: Called to Holiness through Service and Courage**

Young people will explore how self-giving love and courage in the face of challenges form part of holiness. Stories of saints who served the poor, forgave their enemies, or stood up for what is right will be shared.

**Friday: Called to Holiness through Joy and Mission**

Holiness is not grim but joyful! The final day focuses on the joy of the Gospel and how young people are called to be missionary disciples who share Christ through action and word in the world.

<p><b>Prayers &amp; Sympathies</b> To the relatives, neighbours &amp; friends of Margaret Cotter I/o Knocknagree &amp; Birmingham whose funeral will take place in Birmingham later. May Margaret rest in peace and may all who mourn her loss be comforted.</p>
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