

### 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 76151 087 9061255 on call 15<sup>th</sup> February for emergency and sick calls**

### SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY to SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Shrine 6.00pm John & Abina Collins Knocknageeha.  
O'Keeffe Knocknacopple. Casey Family Hollymount & Dan Collins, Tureenamult.

Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 7.30pm Kathleen Cronin, Caherbarnagh

Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 9.30am Timmie & Julia Cronin, Reaboy

Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 11.30am Eileen & Jerh Murphy, Corran & their son Jerry & his friend Sean.  
Alan Newman & his grandchild Baby Grace. Thomas Kelly l/o Barraduff. John & Babe Moynihan, The Bridge.  
Patrick O'Brien Nohovaldaly & deceased members of the O'Brien family. Dan & Margaret Cronin, Gortnaglough.  
Michael (Mick) Nagle, Rathmore Townland. Mary & Jeremiah Kelly Rathmore Townland & their daughter Eileen Barker l/o NY

### MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY to SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 7.00pm Johnny & Lil O'Leary, Gullane

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> 11.00am Rathmore Confirmation Ceremony (Holy Family NS & Gneeveguilla NS)  
3.00pm Knocknagree Confirmation Ceremony (Knocknagree NS & Hollymount NS)



Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday 10.00am Rathmore  
(Note Church & Times)  
7.00pm Gneeveguilla



Thur 19<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 9.30am Richard Rigge

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 7.00pm Timmy Dineen, Old Chapel (40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
Denis & Mary Murphy, Nohoval & their daughter Hannah Mary & sons Tim & John

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Shrine 6.00pm Jim & Tom Burke, Shronebeg

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Knocknagree 7.30pm (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) Denis Breen, Church View, Knocknagree

Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Gneeveguilla 9.30am Donal & Geraldine O'Mahony, Gneeveguilla

Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Rathmore 11.30am (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) Rose Palmer, Bounard  
Paddy Cronin, Caherbarnagh. Eugene Reen & his parents Jack & Eily, Rathbeg East. His sister Lena  
& Uncle Timmy & Baby Charlie. The deceased members of the Lawlor Family, Station Road



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

**Prayers & Sympathies** To Con Murphy, Caroline & family, Scrahanfada on the death of his sister Martina Dineen whose funeral took place on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> of February in Clonkeen,  
To Timothy Dineen & family Knocknagree on the death of his mother & grandmother Sheila Dineen, Cullen whose funeral took place in Cullen on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January  
To Pat O'Keeffe, Michael, Catherine & Geraldine & families on the death of their mother Peggy O'Keeffe Tureencahill, whose funeral took place in Gneeveguilla on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February.  
May Martina, Sheila & Peggy rest in peace and may all who mourn their loss be comforted.



## The Sacrament of Confirmation

On this Tuesday February 17<sup>th</sup> two Confirmation Ceremonies will take place in the parish.

**11am Rathmore Church:**  
**3p.m Knocknagree Church:**

**Holy Family & Gneeveguilla NS**  
**Knocknagree & Hollymount NS**

Confirmation is one of the seven sacraments of the Church. It is the sacrament in which a baptized person receives the special strength of the Holy Spirit. This strength helps them live as a faithful Christian and grow closer to God.

In Baptism, we become children of God. In Confirmation, we are strengthened to live out that faith more fully. It is like becoming a “mature” member of the Church. We choose for ourselves to follow Jesus and not just rely on the faith of our parents or family.

During the Confirmation ceremony, the bishop or priest lays hands on the person and anoints them with oil called chrism. He says, “Be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit.” This shows that the Holy Spirit is with them in a special way.

The Holy Spirit gives gifts such as wisdom, courage, and understanding. These gifts help us make good choices, stand up for what is right, and serve others with love.

Confirmation reminds us that we are called to share our faith, help those in need, and be witnesses of Christ in the world every day.

## The Season of Lent



We will begin the Lenten Season this coming week on Ash Wednesday February 18<sup>th</sup>.

While many look forward to this time for opportunities for spiritual growth and renewal, quite often many of us see it as a liturgical season to dread. We focus on “What am I going to give up?” “How long can I live without whatever it is I am going to give up?” “How many more days before I don’t have to give up whatever it is that I am giving up?” Who wouldn’t dread a liturgical season with such a narrow focus?

Over these next few weeks, we are all encouraged to begin reflecting anew on the real purpose of Lent, the power such a season can be for us, and the real potential for a deeper commitment to our Catholic faith, and most important, a deeper communion of love with God.

Lent is a sacred season of forty days when we prepare our hearts for Easter. It is a time to slow down, reflect, and grow closer to God. Through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we are invited to turn away from sin and renew our relationship with Christ.

Lent is not just about giving something up — it is about making room for God. It is a time to begin again, to seek forgiveness, and to open our hearts to the grace God wants to give us.

As a parish family, let us walk this Lenten journey together. May these days lead us to a deeper faith and prepare us to celebrate the joy of Christ’s Resurrection at Easter.

**Please join us for our Lenten Masses, prayer opportunities, and parish events throughout the season.**