

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

Pastoral Area Fr Pat O'Donnell (064) 7758026 /086 8351732 on call 26th April for emergency and sick calls

SATURDAY 25th APRIL to SUNDAY 26th APRIL 2026



Sat 25th Knocknagree 10.30am **First Holy Communion (Knocknagree NS)**

Sat 25th Shrone 6.00pm Patrick Moynihan, Gortnagown
Christy Crowley, Gortdarrig & remembering his wife Mai & son Den Joe & granddaughter Denise.

Sat 25th Knocknagree 7.30pm Donors Intentions

Vocation Sunday

Sun 26th Gneeveguilla 9.30am Elaine Guerin, Lisheen
Shane Fleming, Gneeveguilla Village and remembering his dad Oliver & all the Fleming & Daly Families.

Sun 26th Rathmore 11.30am (Months Mind) Judy Desmond, Gortnahanebee
Margaret Moynihan, Islanderagh & her husband Francis & her sister Joan O'Sullivan
David Saunders, Bealnadeega. Timothy Horan l/o Cahirbarnagh & London

MONDAY 27th APRIL to SUNDAY 3rd May 2026

Mon 27th Gneeveguilla 7.00pm Connie & Eily Mai Crowley, Gullane. The Nagle family, Gullane.
Tim & Catherine Healy, Killorglin & their son John, daughter Bridie Sayers & son-in-law Tim Horgan
Denny Moriarty, Coom & his parents John & Julia. Mary O'Leary, Gneeveguilla Village.
Denis & Nora Keane, Inch & their sons Pat & Sean

Tues 28th Rathmore 9.30am People of the Parish

Wed 29th Rathmore 7.00pm Fr Michael O'Donoghue, Lissyconnor. Sean Dempsey, West End

Thur 30th Knocknagree 9.30am Donors Intentions

Fri 1st Rathmore 7.00pm Dan & Eleanor Moynihan, The Bower.



Sat 2nd Rathmore 10.30am **First Holy Communion (Holy Family NS)**

Sat 2nd Shrone No Mass

Sat 2nd Knocknagree 7.30pm Fr Jerry & Fr Bertie Hickey L/o Mountcain
Breed Kelleher Nohoval Upper & Mella O'Leary Park

Sun 3rd Gneeveguilla 9.30am (Months Mind) Jimmy Brosnan, Mausroure.

Sun 3rd Rathmore 11.30am John Moynihan, East End. Willie & Ann McAuliffe, Banteer &
deceased members of the Moynihan & McAuliffe families
John & Lizzie Murphy, Ballinahulla & all deceased members of the Murphy & O'Leary families.

Sun 3rd Shrone 1.30pm Mass in the City

Rosary Every Evening During Month Of May At Tureencahill Grotto At 8pm ... All Very Welcome

Rosary will be prayed @ Leam Grotto weeknights @ 8pm for the Month of May & Sunday night @ 7pm

Returning Trocaire Boxes:
We would be very grateful if you could return your contribution as soon as possible to the Parish Office, or drop it into the Sacristy, or the Sunday Collection Basket.
Please do not leave it in an unattended place in the Church

DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Blessed Trinity, Father, Son and Spirit,
We worship and praise You,
Creator and Lord of all.

Risen Lord, make us generous people
more considerate towards others,
more honest with ourselves
more faithful to you.

Through the Holy Spirit you give
to every Christian a unique calling
as you provide and care
for the needs of your people.

You call us to live lives of service
in our homes, in our work,
in our communities and in our
Church.

A specific calling is to serve
in ministry in your Church.
Hear our prayers for all our needs as a
Church.

We pray especially for vocations
to the religious life and the diocesan
priesthood.

Lord, in our diocese and in all our
parishes
give to each person the grace needed
to discern, follow and fulfil their
calling.
Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

Vocations Sunday

This Sunday, we celebrate *Vocations Sunday*, also known as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. It is a special opportunity for us as a parish community to pray that more people will hear and respond generously to God's call.

Every Christian has a vocation—a calling to love and serve God and one another. Some are called to marriage, some to single life, and some to the priesthood or religious life. Each vocation is a unique path to holiness and service.

Today, we pray especially for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. We ask the Lord to inspire young people to listen to His voice with open hearts and courage. We also pray for those already discerning their vocation, that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit.

How can we support vocations?

- Pray daily for vocations
- Encourage young people to be open to God's call
- Support and affirm those considering priesthood or religious life
- Foster a culture of listening to God through prayer and service

Jesus reminds us: *"The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest."* (Luke 10:2)

Gentle reminder to return your Charity 3 forms which you have received in the post Sincere thanks to all who have already returned their **Charity 3 Enduring Certificate**. Your prompt response and continued generosity are very much appreciated and contribute greatly to the ongoing work and mission of the parish

A gentle reminder to anyone who may not yet have had the opportunity to return their form: we kindly ask that you do so at your earliest convenience. Your participation makes a real and lasting difference.

As you know, signing the form does not cost you anything but enables us to claim some of the funds that you have already paid in tax If you have misplaced your certificate, there is no need for concern—replacement forms are readily available.

Please contact us by phone at **086 6030197**, and we will be happy to assist you.

Thank you once again for your support and cooperation.

Fr. Pat (on behalf of the Parish Finance Committee)

Prayers & Sympathies To Arielle, Patrick & Joshua McCarthy Knockdurath on the death of Arielles mother

Jo whose funeral took place in Rio, Brazil recently.

To Joan & Bridget McCarthy & family on the death of their brother Tim McCarthy, Headford whose funeral took place on Tuesday 21st April in Rathmore.

To Joe & Kathleen O'Riordan, Rathduane on the death of Joe's sister Helen Mc Munn, Raheen Dublin l/o Rathcool Cork whose funeral took place on Tuesday 21st April in Raheny, Dublin

May Jo, Tim & Helen rest in peace and may all who mourn their loss be comforted

First Holy Communion 2026



Knocknagree NS	Sat 25 th Apr	@ 10.30am
Holy Family NS	Sat 2 nd May	@ 10.30am
Shrone/Hollymount NS	Sat 9 th May	@ 11.00am
Gneeveguilla/Meentogues NS	Sat 16 th May	@ 11.00am

Annual Dawn Mass at the Source of the Blackwater, Doctors Hill, Ballydesmond will take place at 6:00am Friday 1st May. IRD Duhallow welcomes everyone from the region.

For further information contact Lenora Kelly at 029-60633 or at lenora.kelly@irdduhallow.com