

PARISH of KENMARE Fr. Tom Crean, Parish Priest.

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Sunday, 7th February 2016 ~ 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Kenmare Pastoral Area: Parishes of Kenmare, Kilgarvan, Glengarriff (Bonane), Sneem & Tuosist

Recent Deaths:

We remember in our prayers **Sr. Sheila Cronin**, Dromcahan & Derry, **Bill Topham**, Greenane Heights, Templenoe, **Joe Cronin**, Kenmare & Firies, **Denis Fennessy**, Cahir East, Kilgarvan, **Jerh (Jim) Kelleher**, Coolnoohill, Kilgarvan and **Tim Twomey**, Main Street, Kilgarvan. **MAY THEY REST IN PEACE!**

Mass Intentions this Week

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| Direendaragh | Sat | 6.30pm | Denis o'Connor, Drumlusk | Anniversary |
| 10th February | Wed | 6.00pm | Ash Wednesday | |
| Templenoe | Sun | 10.45am | The People's Mass | |
| 10th February | Wed | 6.45pm | Ash Wednesday | |
| Holy Cross | Sat | 8.00pm | | |
| | Sun | 9.30am | Tom & Mary Burke | Anniversary |
| | Sun | 12noon | Mass for all parishioners | |
| | Mon | 10.00am | Day of Prayer for Victims of human trafficking | |
| | Tues | 10.00am | Kathleen O'Sullivan | Anniversary |
| Ash Wednesday (10th Feb) Mass Times: 10.00a.m. 11.00a.m. 7.30pm | | | | |
| | Thur | 10.00am | John F. Sweeney, Gortrooskagh | Anniversary |
| | Fri | 10.00am | Robert J. Cherubini, North Carolina, USA. | R.I.P. |
| | Sat | 10.00am | | |

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| 31 Jan | Offertory Collection | Parish Development Fund - Weekly Envelopes | Total |
| Direendaragh | € 60 | € 58 | € 118 |
| Templenoe | € 166 | € 96 | € 262 |
| Kenmare | € 531 | € 909 | € 1440 |

Church Notices

- ◆ **Kerry Diocesan Collection 'Lourdes Helpers'** taken up this weekend 6th & 7th February.
- ◆ **"YOU SHALL BE MY WITNESSES" Confirmation Programme** will take place on next Tuesday, 9th February at St. John's N.S. at 7.30pm.
- ◆ Many of our young parishioners, who will be confirmed on 2nd March, will take The Pledge of Abstinence from Alcohol & Drugs at the 8.00pm Vigil Mass next weekend (13th). They will promise to abstain from alcoholic drink until 18 years of age and from drugs for life.
- ◆ **BOOKLETS AT BOOKSTAND: Year of Mercy** – Cost €0.50 / **Day by Day** - Cost €1.60
- ◆ **CafeCredo Lent 2016:** The Path of the Messiah. This original EWTN documentary filmed in the Holy Land retraces the footsteps of Our Lord from His birth to His Resurrection. Starting Thursday February 18th at 7.30pm in the Church Lodge and then Feb 25th, March 3rd, 19th. All welcome.
- ◆ **KENMARE PARISH 'TEXT ALERT' - - - will shortly be going live. Please tell your family and friends of ways to be included.**
 1. **Text name & telephone number to 085 2202179**
 2. **Complete form**, which can be found at the back of the church, **and place in the box provided.**

New 'Rota' for COLLECTORS ~ February 2016

| Collectors | 8pm Vigil Mass | 9.30am Mass | 12 noon Mass |
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| Centre | Clare Rowe Steve Rowe | Olive Donovan Ann Lynch | Liam Dineen Betty Dineen |
| Right | Tim Madden | Con Crowley | John Sweeney |
| Left | Finbarr O'Shea | Edward McCarthy | John Foley |
| Back | Kevin Lynch | Dan McCarthy | Pat O'Shea |

Next Wednesday, 10th February, is ASH WEDNESDAY, the beginning of the Lenten Season, when Christians pray, fast and give alms. Catholics abstain from meat and fast from food today.

On this day ashes are blessed and used to mark our heads and the beginning of our Lenten penance as a preparation for Easter. The ashes "remember that you are dust" and the Sign of the Cross remind us that, although we are created from the dust of

the earth, we are, because of Christ's redeeming presence, transformed and invited to share God's love for ever: hence the Lenten invitation. **'Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel'**; we begin the journey of penance and reflection that will bring us to the celebration of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus at Easter.

TRÓCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN - 2016

pick up a box on Ash Wednesday.

Prayer, Fasting, Almsgiving.

Christians throughout history have found these to be the building blocks of Lenten Spiritual growth. They help us both cleanse our lives of what distracts us from God, and that new space, in turn, gives God's grace more room to take root and flourish.

Prayer and Lent; in prayer we turn to God, listen to his voice, and let him fill our hearts and guide us. During Lent, our prayer takes on a special tone, we are especially aware of our sins, we are attentive to Jesus, the suffering servant. We pray for our own deeper conversion to the Lord. Here are some Catholic prayer traditions . . .

Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. Stations of the Cross. Mary and the Saints. Rosary. Scripture. Prayers for all times and occasions.

Pioneer Lenten Challenge! Many people abstain from alcohol and take the Short-Term Pledge for the duration of Lent. Make your Lenten pledge by visiting - - - www.pioneerassociation.ie and joining online or by contacting your local Pioneer representative ☎ Donal on 064 6682086.

Take this opportunity to help someone you know/love with an alcohol or drug problem by offering up your Lenten sacrifice as a prayer for their freedom and well-being. Go for it and make a difference to someone's life!

- ◆ **TV Programme DÚICHE** - this Sunday night 7th Feb. on TG4, at 7.30pm. The programme is about the Monks of Glenstal Abbey and will feature Br. Pdraig Macintyre, from Kenmare. Pleasant viewing on a contemplative way of life.
- ◆ **PINK HAT DAY:** Kenmare Mart is holding a Pink Hat Day on Monday, 8th February, at 1.00pm in aid of Recovery Haven, Tralee. All Welcome.
- ◆ **Family Carers Ireland** will run the Palliative Care module (QQI FETAC Level 5) Full Healthcare Award commencing in Tralee on 17th Feb. ☎ 0579370221 for details.
- ◆ **Diocese of Kerry Earth Week 17-24 April 2016:** The Diocesan Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Committee have chosen 'biodiversity' as the theme for Earth Week. A meeting to explain what biodiversity is, and give some ideas on how to take action in your own local area will take place in Community Hall, Glengarriff, on Monday, 15th Feb. at 7.30pm. All are welcome. For more details look up ... www.dioceseofkerry.ie.