

PARISH of KENMARE Fr. Tom Crean, Parish Priest

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Sunday, 26th February 2017 ~ 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The PLEDGE of Abstinence from Alcohol & Drugs:

Many of our young parishioners, who will be confirmed on 15th March 2017 will take The Pledge of Abstinence from Alcohol & Drugs at the 8.00pm Vigil Mass this Saturday evening. They will promise to abstain from alcoholic drink until 18 years of age and from drugs for life.



Recent Deaths: **John Paddy O’Sullivan**, Cricklewood, London & late of Urhan, Eyeries (brother of Paul Paddy O’Sullivan, Kenmare), **John O’Brien**, Portlaoise & late of Roughty Bridge, Kenmare and **Padraig O’Connell**, Gortacloughane, Blackwater & Barraduff, Killarney.

May they Rest in Peace.

Direendarragh Church: Mass Sat. 6.30pm		Ash Wednesday (1st Mar) Mass at 6.00pm	
Templenoë Church: Mass Sun. 10.45am		Ash Wednesday, Mass at 6.45pm	
Holy Cross Church		Mass Intentions this week	
Sat	8.00pm	Billy Horgan, Killowen	Anniversary
Sun	9.30am	Noreen Madden, Firgrove, Kenmare	”
Sun	12noon	Florry, Margaret & Peter McCarthy, Main St. ...	”
Mon	10.00am	John McCarthy, Woodside	”
Tues	10.00am	Joseph Riney, Killowen	”
ASH WEDNESDAY (1st March) Mass Times: 10.00am 12 noon and 7.30pm			
ASH Wed	10.00am	Tom Granville, Reen	R.I.P.
Thurs	10.00am	John O’Leary, Kilcurrane	Anniversary
Fri	10.00am		
Sat	10.00am	Joan Crowley, Henry St. & 3 Bridge St. Kenmare.	Month’s Mind

19th Feb	Offertory	Parish Development Fund - Weekly Envelopes	Total
Direendaragh	€ 152	€ 64	€ 216
Templenoë	€ 77	€ 111	€ 188
Kenmare	€ 591	€ 1,775	€ 2,366

Church Notices

Prayer Service of Light, for Confirmation Candidates

takes place on Tuesday next, 28th February, at 7.30pm in Holy Cross Church, Kenmare.

Ash Wednesday, 1st March, is a Day of Fast and Abstinence.

Mass Times in Holy Cross Church - 10.00am, 12 noon & 7.30pm.

10.00am Mass: The pupils of Pobalscoil Inbhear Sceine, will attend.

12 noon Mass: The pupils of St. John’s N.S. Kenmare will attend.

CHRISTIANS TOGETHER in Kenmare:

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE will be held on Friday, 3rd March, at 7.30pm in Holy Cross Church, Kenmare. All welcome, men, women and young people. For further

information contact... Marjorie (Church of Ireland) 087-1605283, Karen (Methodist) 083-8421153 or Celia (Roman Catholic) 087-2405568.

- ♦ **Junior Liturgy Choir:** Any young person interested in joining the Junior Liturgy Choir, in Holy Cross Church, please contact Alison 086-4544444 or Andrew Whelton 087-7848065.
- ♦ **Are you a Primary school student / teenager / adult** who would like to volunteer to read 6 (short) Prayers of the Faithful at the 9.30am Mass in Holy Church on March 5th/12th/19th/26th – April 2nd /9th and 16th (Easter Sunday). Please text the Liturgy Group at 086-0839903 if you can help on all or any of those dates.
- ♦ **Youth Pilgrimage to Taizé:** The diocese will travel to Taizé, France, June 25th to July 2nd, with a group of young adults (18-30 yrs). Taizé is one of the world’s most important sites of Christian pilgrimage, with a special welcome for young people. Cost €400, which includes flights and accommodation. Contact Tomás Kenny, Diocesan Pastoral Team on 086 3683778.

Next Wednesday, 1st March, 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 forever:

TRÓCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN
~ 2017 ~

pick up a box at the back of the church.

Collectors - March	8pm Vigil Mass	9.30am Mass	12 noon Mass
<i>Centre</i>	Noel Crowley	Patrick Downing	Flor McCarthy / John Thornhill
<i>Right</i>	Seán Crowley	Peggie O’Shea	Celia Foley
<i>Left</i>	Peggy Fitzgibbon	Liam Quinlan	James Duggan
<i>Back</i>	Finbarr O’Shea	Patrick Downing	John Foley
Readers - March			
4 th & 5 th	Abbey Healy	Mary O’Donoghue	Bernie O’Sullivan
11 th & 12 th	Cliona O’Shea	Anna Maria O’Sullivan	Denise Tangney
18 th & 19 th	Ann O’Connor	Jim Crushell	Ruth Murphy
25 th & 26 th	Paul Bennett	Phil Harrington	Ann Finn
Eucharistic Ministers			
March	Peggy Fitzgibbon	Con Crowley	Frances Hallissey
Group ‘D’	Mary Murphy	Margaret Harrington	Joanne O’Sullivan
	Margaret Moriarty	Mary O’Shea	Carmel Sheehan/ Jean MacGearailt

Community Notes:

- ♦ **Kenmare District Bd. Scor Na Paisti Finals** takes place in Pobalscoil Inbhear Sceine at 7pm on Sunday night, 5th March. Latest date for entries, 1st March to James Rochford 087-2908330.
- ♦ **Parenting Programme** starts Thurs. 9th March, Kenmare FRC 9.30 – 11.30am for 5 Thurs mornings. Parents/carers with children aged 0-6yrs are welcome to attend. Please book on 064 6642790 / susan@kenmarefrc.ie.
- ♦ **Irish Pilgrimage Trust** – church-gate collection next w/e 4th & 5th March. All funds raised will be used to take young people with a variety of special needs to Lourdes at Easter.
- ♦ **Annual Charity Climb – Strickeen Mountain, Saturday, 4th March:** Registration at Kate Kearney’s Cottage from 10.30am. Everyone is welcome and refreshments will be provided after the climb. Further info ... contact Mary on 087-2227188.