

PARISH of KENMARE Fr. Tom Crean, Parish Priest.

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Sunday, 31st December 2017 - Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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

Recent Deaths:

We remember in our prayers **Maureen O'Sullivan (nee McCarthy)** 2 Bridge St. Kenmare & late of Eskadour, Lauragh. Requiem Mass on Monday at 11.00am in Holy Cross Church, with burial afterwards in Old Kenmare Cemetery.

Teresa Kenny (nee Spillane) Muckcross, Killarney & late of Templenoe.

Patricia McComish, Liverpool, U.K. (*sister of Alison Whelton*) who died during the week.

May they Rest in Peace.

<i>Direendaragh</i>	Sat	6.30pm	Catherine, Paud & Michael O'Shea, Coomnakilla. Anniv.
<i>5th Jan</i>	Fri	6.30pm	Vigil for Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord
<i>Templeno</i>	Sun	10.45am	The People's Mass
<i>6th Jan</i>	Sat	10.45am	Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord.

Holy Cross Church

	Sat	8.00pm	John Henry & Bridie Harrington, Tuosist	Anniversary
	Sun	9.30am	Denis O'Shea, Lodge Wood, Kenmare	"
	Sun	12 noon	John R. McCarthy	Anniversary
<i>1st Jan</i>	Mon	10.00am	Seán McCarthy, Ennis	Died Recently
	Mon	11.00am	Maureen O'Sullivan, 2 Bridge St.	R.I.P.
	Tues	10.00am	Denis Tuohy, Kilpatrick	Anniversary
	Wed	10.00am	John Corkery, Emmet's Place	"
	Thur	10.00am		
	Fri	10.00am		
<i>5th Jan</i>	Fri	8.00pm	Dr. Patrick, Lily & Timmy Mahony	Anniversary
<i>Holy Day</i>	Sat	9.30am	Patricia Daly, Kenmare & London	Month's Mind
<i>6th Jan</i>	Sat	12 noon	Christina McCarthy, Tulloha.	1 st Anniversary

Holy Cross Church

Confessions: **Every Saturday from 12 noon to 1pm**
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **Mon & Tues: 8am-9pm & Fri 8-10am**
Christ Our King Prayer Group (the Church Lodge) **Wednesday: 7.30pm - 9.00pm**
Holy Hour **Sunday: 7.00pm - 8.00pm**

Church Notices

- **Friday next (5th Jan) is FIRST FRIDAY.** Communion Calls will be made by Fr. Crean at the usual times. If you or someone you know would like a priest to visit you, just give the presbytery call on 064-6641352.
- **Kerry Diocesan Collection 'Needs of the Holy Land'** – taken up next weekend 6th / 7th Jan.
- **Priests' Offering** – We wish to thank you all for sending in your Christmas 'Envelopes' and contributing to the collection on Christmas Eve/Day. Your continued support throughout the year is very much appreciated.

Collectors / Jan '18	8pm Vigil Mass	9.30am Mass	12 noon Mass
<i>Centre</i>	David & Marian O'Dwyer	Tim Sheehan	Tim Madden
<i>Right</i>	James O'Farrell	Andy O'Sullivan	Bernie O'Sullivan
<i>Left</i>	Therésa O'Shea	Sue Sullivan	Liz Arthur
<i>Back</i>	Finbarr O'Shea	Eileen O'Sullivan (Top X)	John Foley
Readers / Jan '18 List can be view on NOTICE-BOARD			
Eucharistic Ministers			
January 2018 Group 'C'	Peggy O'Dwyer	Helen Moolman	Celia Foley
	Frances Crowley	Margaret O'Sullivan	Sheila O'Sullivan

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: 1st READING: Family, for all its challenges, is God's greatest blessing. God promises Abraham not a few offspring, but an unmanageably large family. **PSALM:** The congregation of Israel is summed to acknowledge the wonderful deeds of God who is faithful to his people. **2nd READING:** This stresses the faith of Abraham and Sarah, and how God's promise to them was fulfilled. **GOSPEL:** This tells us about the presentation of the Child Jesus in the temple, and also provides us with a glimpse of his life at Nazareth.



Prayer for a Family

Lord, bless our family, all of us now together, Those who are far away, and all who are gone back to You.
 May we know joy, and may we bear our sorrows in patience.
 Let love guide our understanding of each other.
 We have all made each other what we are.
 O Family of Jesus, watch over our family.



Family New Year's Resolution: This is an opportunity for your family to have a conversation on the question: Are there any New Year's resolutions we want to make as a family. Find a simple family New Year's resolution sheet in the church (or download from the WMOF website).

Pray the WMOF prayer together (find it on the Icon Card), and sign the resolution sheet, displaying it in a prominent place at home. "How much better family life would be if everyday we lived according to the words, 'please', 'thank you', and 'I'm sorry'" Pope Francis.



May you have God's abundant blessings of love, care and peace throughout 2018.

Whist Drive at Taobh Linn – on Wednesday, 3rd January at 8pm sharp.