

Kenmare Parish ~ Fr. Tom Crean, Parish Priest.

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Sunday, 4th April 2021 ~ EASTER SUNDAY

Live Streaming of Masses via our website – www.kenmareparish.com

CHURCH OPEN DAILY FOR PRIVATE PRAYER: MON-SAT: 10.30AM-8PM. SUN: 12.30-8PM.

God our Father,

by raising Christ your Son you conquered the power of death and opened for us the way to eternal life.

Let our celebration today raise us up and renew our lives by the Spirit that is within us. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God. for ever and ever. Amen.



Recent Deaths:

JEREMIAH DOWNING, Emmet’s Place, Kenmare & Berlin, Germany.
 Requiem Mass on Monday, 5th April, at 11.00am in Holy Cross Church.

BRIDGET O’BRIEN (*nee O’Sullivan ‘Poet’*) New York and late of Derrygarrive, Kenmare.
 SANDY WIGRAM, New Zealand, (*father of Sarah Fitzsimons*) Kilmurry.

Holy Cross Church, Kenmare. Mass Intentions this week.

Sat	9.00pm	Easter VIGIL MASS with lighting of the Paschal Candle
Sun	9.30am	Daniel O’Shea, Graigue-na-Grena, Blackwater. Anniversary
Sun	12noon	Jerry O’Sullivan-Rath, Gortnadullagh. 1 st Anniversary
Mon	10.00am	Dan Lynch, Kilpatrick 1 st Anniversary
Mon	11.00am	Jeremiah Downing, Emmet’s Pl. Kenmare. Requiem Mass
Tues	10.00am	Stanley Goddard + Margaret & Paddy Linehan ... Anniversary
Wed	8.00pm	Danny & Joan O’Sullivan (Eugene) Henry St. ... Anniversary
Thurs	10.00am	Rev. David P. Sheehan, Main Street, Kenmare, and Rev. David Sheehan, Preston, Lancs. U.K. ... Anniversary
Fri	10.00am	Tim & Bell O’Sullivan, Cummeenboy, Kenmare. Anniversary

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA: Devotions for the feast next Sunday, 11th April, from 3 – 4 p.m. can be viewed via webcam from Holy Cross Church see www.kenmareparish.com. ~

EASTER HOLY WATER will be available in Holy Cross Church on Easter Sunday for collection.

Be Faith-Strong at Home

- A little sacred space will encourage your family to pray. A candle, a crucifix, holy water, a Bible, a holy image - - - it will uplift the soul to God.
- Tune in and participate in Mass via livestream and worship as if you are already there.
- A Daily Family Prayer (e.g., a decade of the Rosary) for a safe end to the Pandemic.
- For all those afflicted. For all health workers. For the souls of the faithful departed. For any intention you or your family may have.



The Mass:

Tune in to a livestreamed Mass. Remember you are still part of a community. You can receive a ‘spiritual communion; when, if you cannot participate in the Mass in person, you unite yourself with God in prayer. Jesus understands our suffering and accompanies us in the most intimate of ways. He knew the world of illness. Go to him in prayer. And trust that he hears you and is with you.



Easter Vigil: During Holy Saturday night, we celebrate the victory of Christ over sin and death. He is the light of the world, who frees us - - and brings us into his kingdom of love.

Easter Sunday: We rejoice to-day with all Christians. By baptism we are sharers in the grace of Christ, we die with him, are buried with him in death and are raised with him to glory. We share in his victory and his new life.

Easter Season – lasts for 7 weeks or 50 days and will bring us to the feast of Pentecost.

Today’s Sacred Scripture:



1st Reading: Peter announces that the Jesus who trekked through Galilee doing good has been raised from the dead and now lives in power.

Psalm: This is the day when the stone once rejected becomes the cornerstone.

2nd Reading: Our lives as Christians should be centred on the person of the risen Christ, and this should influence the way we think and behave.

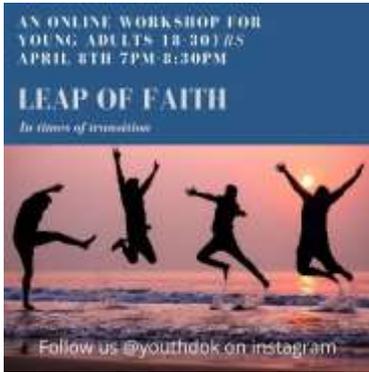
Gospel: On discovering that Jesus’ tomb is empty, the disciples begin to grasp what the Scriptures had foretold, namely, that he would rise from the dead.

QUESTIONS TO PONDER: • *What can you do to be a witness to Christ?* • *How does faith in the Resurrection make your story a good news story?*

TRÓCAIRE LENT 2021

To return your Trócaire contribution, you might put it into a ‘**TRÓCAIRE ENVELOPE**’ and place it in the ‘**SECURE SAFE**’ in Holy Cross Church.

Newsletter Available / Secure SAFE at the back of Holy Cross Church is for... ‘Parish’ Envelopes/Priests’ Dues Envelopes / Mass ‘Intention’ Sheets / Donations.



LEAP OF FAITH IN TIMES OF TRANSITION,
 Online Workshop for Young Adults aged
 18 - 30 yrs. 8th April, 7.30 – 9.00pm.

Workshop will be led by
 Gerry and Miriam Hussey. Do join us
 for this event planned by Diocese of Kerry
 “YouthDoK” Young Adult Group.

Registration on www.dioceseofkerry.ie



*Lord of life
 We pray for all who bring your
 word of life
 As a light to those in darkness
 For those who bring your word of
 peace
 To those enslaved by fear
 For those who bring your word of
 love
 To those in need of comfort
 Lord of love and Lord of peace
 Lord of resurrection life
 Be known
 Through our lives
 and through your power
 Christ the Lord is risen to-day.*

EASTER EGGS

Eggs remind us of the new life that is present for all of us in the resurrection of Jesus. In pre-Christian times, eggs were a them to one another at the Ages, the eating of eggs was ending of the Lenten fast. The which Christ emerged, calling us all to resurrection and new life



symbol of fertility, and people presented beginning of spring. During the Middle eggs to one another to celebrate the egg became the symbol of the tomb from

Good Wishes to you and yours for the Peace of the Risen Lord.
 Warmest ‘THANK YOU’ to each person whose precious contribution of time, presence, talent, faith and goodwill enhanced our celebration of the Holy Week Services.

Easter Hope 2021

When the storm has passed, and the roads are tamed
 and we are the survivors of a collective shipwreck.

With tearful heart and our destiny blessed
 we will feel joy simply for being alive.

And we’ll give a hug to the first stranger
 and praise our good luck that we kept a friend.

And then we’ll remember all that we lost
 and finally learn everything we never learned.

And we’ll envy no one for all of us that suffered
 and we’ll not be idle but more compassionate.

We’ll value more what belongs to all than what was earned.
 We’ll be more generous and much more committed.

We’ll understand how fragile it is to be alive.
 We’ll sweat empathy for those still with us and those who are gone.

When the storm passes I ask you Lord, in shame
 that you return us better as you once dreamed us.

[‘Let us Dream’ - Pope Francis - 2020]

*May this Easter beautify your heart and bring
 peace and joy to you and your family.
 May the resurrection of our Christ fill your
 heart with love, hope, and comfort.*

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