

**Kenmare Parish ~ Fr. George Hayes, Parish Priest.**

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**Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug 2021 ~ 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Live Streaming of Masses via our website – www.kenmareparish.com**

**Recent Death**

We remember in our prayers **Abina Glennon (nee Arthur)** Mullingar, Co. Westmeath & late of Derrynacoulagh, Kenmare, who died during the week. R.I.P.

**Direendaragh** Sat: 6.30pm. Dan & Patrick O’Connell, Gortacoughane ... Anniversary

**Templenoë:** Sun: 10.45am. Breda O’Sullivan, (nee O’Mahony) Lackeen. Month’s Mind

**Holy Cross Church, Kenmare. Mass Intentions this week.**

Sat	8.00pm	Jerry & Margaret O’Shea, Gortamullen & Middleton. Anniversary
Sun	9.30am	Bridie & Sam Gaine, Santry, Dublin & Lissaniska, ... 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary
Sun	12noon	Christy Harrington, Lower Reen, Kenmare ..... Anniversary
Mon	10.00am	Mary Steele (nee O’Sullivan) Killowen & Dublin ... 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary
Tues	10.00am	Jim & Rita Downing, Emmet’s Place. .... Anniversary
Wed	10.00am	Christy & Lucy O’Sullivan-Roger ..... Anniversary
Thur	10.00am	David & Eileen Madden Firgrove Kenmare & N.Y. Anniversary
Fri	10.00am	Jilles Vermaat, Kenmare & Holland ..... Anniversary

**Confessions ~ every Saturday between 12noon and 12.30pm**

**Church Notices**

**Parish Pastoral Council** – A meeting will be held on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> August, at 8.00pm in the Presbytery.

**Higher Diploma in Theological Studies, St Patrick’s College, Maynooth.** Interested? Find out more online at [maynoothcollege.ie/courses](http://maynoothcollege.ie/courses). Commencing – 24<sup>th</sup> Sept., 21.

**ROSARY AT OUR LADY’S WELL:** The Rosary will be recited at OUR LADY’S WELL every evening at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome!

**RADIO MARIA IS AN IRISH CATHOLIC RADIO STATION**

that has grown in strength and popularity in recent years. It broadcasts Mass, Rosary, Divine Mercy Hour etc daily. Tune in is via the television, Saorview Channel 210. There is also a mobile App. All details are on their website, [www.radiomaria.ie](http://www.radiomaria.ie).

**Pastor's Ponderings**

One of the thinkers I sometimes quote is Meister Eckhart, who was a German Dominican theologian, philosopher and mystic born in 1260, who died in 1328. One of the themes which he writes on is the importance of silence in life. He says *nothing in the universe resembles God as silence*. To encounter God, to listen to the stirrings of God in our hearts, to be in the presence of God, it seems to me often requires silence. Of course, it doesn’t always require silence. We can find God in the laughter of a baby, in the joy of a party, in the midst of celebration, in sharing happiness with others. But what silence does is that it strips away those other calls on our attention. Silence allows us to focus. When we put away our phone and don’t hear the pings of a message or an update, when we turn down the volume on a radio or switch off the television, we can tune in to silence.

Some might say that silence is golden as the phrase goes. And silence can make us uncomfortable...because silence allows things come to the surface which we would often prefer to repress. Silence faces us with questions of existence and questions of significance...where is life going? What is God calling on me to do? Who is important in life? Silence creates a space into which we can welcome God. So in our modern lives, where we are surrounded by noise and there are many diversions and calls on our time, let’s not be afraid of silence. Because while silence can mean emptiness for some, silence can also be a great richness, a great treasure. God speaks to the quiet places of our hearts. We don’t hear voices, but we are changed. So, in the week ahead, let’s not be afraid of a little bit of silence. It could bring us great possibilities. Because in that silence, we could encounter God.

(Fr. George Hayes)

**Welcome to National Heritage Week!**

This is your opportunity to #OpenTheDoorToHeritage and explore the hundreds of projects available on [www.heritageweek.ie](http://www.heritageweek.ie). #WelcomeToHeritage  
If you visit or attend any Heritage week events we'd love if you share your story with us on social media using: #HeritageWeek2021 / #OpenTheDoorToHeritage.  
Kerry County Museum [info@kerrymuseum.ie](mailto:info@kerrymuseum.ie) 066-7127777 Open 10am – 5pm.

**RECOVERY HAVEN KERRY –Commencing Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Sept.,** This is a six-week course titled “Building Better Caregivers”. This is an on-line programme for those supporting a loved one with cancer. If you are interested ph. 066 7192122.

**CHIME OUTREACH CLINIC on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August in the**

**Kenmare Family Resource Centre, Railway Road, from 10am – 1pm.**

This is a free support service where we carry out maintenance & minor hearing aid repairs. We also supply hearing aid batteries & accessories and provide information on hearing loss, entitlements, guidelines for good communication, assistive technology, Irish Sign Language and Tinnitus. Bookings ... ☎ Rion on 086-010-5200

**There is no OFFERTORY COLLECTION taken up during SUNDAY MASSES. Please use the basket, at exit doors of the church, where you may leave your offering.**

~ ‘SECURE SAFE’ at the back of Holy Cross Church. ~