

Kenmare Parish ~ Fr. George Hayes, Parish Priest.

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Sunday, 29th August 2021 ~ 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Recent Death:

EILEEN GALVIN, Taobh Linn, Kenmare (*sister of Peggy O’Shea, Lodge Wood*).

A Private Family Funeral will take place for Eileen with Requiem Mass on Monday, 30th August, at 11am in Holy Cross Church. Burial afterwards in Holy Cross Cemetery.

Direendaragh Sat: Mass 6.30pm. / **Templenoe:** Sun: Mass 10.45am.

Holy Cross Church, Kenmare. Mass Intentions this week.

Sat	8.00pm	Eileen, John & Tommy O’Sullivan, Direen Anniversary
Sun	9.30am	Jack O’Sullivan, Railway Road Anniversary
Sun	12noon	Noreen Fitzgerald, Kilmurry 1 st Anniversary
Mon	11.00am	Eileen Galvin, Taobh Linn & Lodge Wood. Requiem Mass
Tues	10.00am	Michael, Patrick & Danny Moriarty and Mickey Lynch Anniv.
Wed	10.00am	Private Intention
Thur	10.00am	
Fri	10.00am	Kevin P. O’Sullivan, Boston & Cleady, Kenmare ... 1 st Anniversary
Sat 4 th Sept	11.00am	Michael Peter Crowley, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK, Month’s Mind and formerly of Racecourse Lawn, Tralee. Internment of Ashes will take place in New Templenoe Cemetery.

Confessions in Holy Cross Church ~ every Saturday between 12noon and 12.30pm

- **Area Pastoral Council** – Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 31st August at 8.00 p.m. in Holy Cross Church Lodge.
- **The Legion of Mary Centenary.** Monday, 7th Sept., marks exactly 100 years since Frank Duff and his first associates held the first ever meeting. Congratulations, thank you, and every blessing to all Legionaries in our diocese and worldwide.
- **Virtual Lourdes Pilgrimage** - 2nd to 7th Sept., 2021. Even though Covid-19 has prevented the pilgrimage from travelling to Lourdes this year, the Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage invites you to join them online. Using the theme ‘Bringing Lourdes Home’, we will use these few days to prayerfully bring Lourdes into our hearts and homes. Look up – www.dioceseofkerry.ie

Season of Creation September 1st to October 4th 2021.

It’s a time when Christians around the world unite to pray and take action to protect the natural world, together let’s restore Our Common Home. The theme this year is **Cultivating Hope ‘Caring for God’s Creatures’**. Leaflets at the back of the church.

Pastor’s Ponderings:

People sometimes ask me what difference does prayer make to our lives. I’m taken back to a quote I read about Mother Teresa of Calcutta, now St. Teresa when she was asked at a press conference why she used to spend at least two hours in prayer each day. The journalist said “isn’t it true that you could use that time to spend more time on the streets helping the children” Mother Teresa’s response was one that stayed with me - she said, “of course I could spend an extra two hours on the street with the poorest in the world, but, when I pray I achieve twice as much”. So, prayer does not often change our external situations – there can still be sickness in people we love, relationships don’t magically overcome problems, challenging life situations persist. But what prayer does is that it changes me – it changes us. Through prayer, I as a person can be changed. If I am addled or struggling, I can find more peace and tranquillity. If I am afraid or anxious, I can find courage and resilience. If I am hard of heart and unwilling to let go of some old hurt, I can enable God’s healing grace to reach those places in my life. Yes, prayer is the reality of trying to more fully get to know the person of Jesus Christ and His message. Some people pray by offering traditional prayers, such as the Rosary or the Angelus. Others like to mediate with a passage of Scripture, repeating a phrase such as “Remain in my love” or “Do not be afraid”. Still others like to pray in silence by focusing on the presence of God in silence before the Blessed Sacrament or by just tuning in to God’s presence. As people who are baptised, we believe that the Spirit God is in us so we can always ask for the help of the Holy Spirit saying something like “Come Holy Spirit, help me and guide me as I face today and as I face this into this meeting or this decision”. The best way to pray is to pray as I am – if I feel good about life today, I can give thanks to God for my blessings and joys. If I feel life is a challenge and things are difficulty, I can ask God to help me and be with me in today’s moments. We will grow into the kind of person God calls on us to be. We will grow in truth and kindness, in courage and love and care. Of course, we will still have our days when we fail. We will still have weaknesses and imperfections. But that too is the great value of prayer. It’s a reminder to us that God loves us beyond our failures and our fallibilities. God is always encouraging us telling us to get us up again, begin again, believe again. Yes, prayer may not change our world. But it will change us. [Fr. George Hayes]

All Ireland Senior Football Final 2021



We are so proud with the inclusion of our local Kenmare & Templenoe GAA group of players on the panel.

Stephen O’Brien, Seanie O’Shea, Adrian & Killian Spillane, Gavin Crowley, Tadgh Morley, Kieran Fitzgibbon and Kevin O’Sullivan.

ALONE manage a National Support Line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer your queries. ☎0818 222 024 7-days a week, 8am-8pm.

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. ~