

Kenmare Parish ~ Fr. George Hayes, Parish Priest.

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Sunday, 5th September 2021 ~ 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Recent Deaths:

We remember in our prayers **Sheila O'Shea (nee O'Sullivan-Morgan)** Gurrane, Bonane, **Eileen Galvin**, Taobh Linn, Kenmare and **Michael P. Crowley**, UK and Racecourse Lawn, Tralee, who were buried during the week. May they Rest in Peace!

Direendaragh Sat: Mass 6.30pm. <i>for the people of the parish</i>		
Templenoe: Sun: 10.45am. James & Julia O'Sullivan, Cappanacush ... Anniversary		
Holy Cross Church, Kenmare. Mass Intentions this week.		
Sat	8.00pm	Dermot O'Sullivan-Casey, Scarteen Park Anniversary
Sun	9.30am	The Murphy Family, Gortlahard Anniversary
Sun	12noon	Nora Keane Anniversary
Mon	10.00am	Noel Tangney, Bonane Anniversary
Tues	10.00am	George & Helen Rice, Templenoe Anniversary
Wed	10.00am	Mary C. O'Connell, 18 Main Street Anniversary
Thur	10.00am	
Fri	10.00am	Pat O'Shea, Ballyfin, Co. Laoise Anniversary
Confessions in Holy Cross Church ~ every Saturday between 12noon and 12.30pm		

CHURCH NOTICES

Following meetings of our Parish Pastoral Council and our Area Pastoral Council over recent weeks, the following revised times for the celebration of Masses in Kenmare Parish has been agreed:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Direendaragh & Our Lady of the Assumption, Templenoe will alternate a VIGIL MASS on SATURDAY EVENING at 6.00 p.m.

Holy Cross Church, Kenmare, will celebrate its VIGIL MASS on SATURDAY at 7.30pm
SUNDAY MORNING MASSES will be celebrated at 9.00 a.m. & 12noon which enables us to provide for the celebration of a 10.30am Mass in Kilgarvan.

The new arrangements will come into effect on the weekend of SATURDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER & SUNDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER 2021.

Your understanding, assistance, and co-operation in the introduction of the new Mass Times is much appreciated.

FINANCE MEETING will be held in the Presbytery on Tuesday evening 7th Sept., at 8pm

Pastor's Ponderings

As I saw the children return to primary school during the week and as the teenagers continued their journey in education, my thoughts turned to my first teacher, Miss Stack. I attended a small two-teacher primary school, Killocrim National School, three miles from the town of Listowel. Miss Stack taught all ten of us Hayes children and I was the youngest. I may have even gotten away with a bit more being the youngest and last of that long line!. When I talk to young teachers, I always tell them the profound impact they can have on children's lives. After all, young children spend a large amount of their lives with their teachers. For my siblings and for me, Miss Stack was one of those teachers who epitomised kindness and goodness. She was interested in the well-being of all her charges, and she was a profound woman of faith – teaching us our prayers and opening up education for us but, more importantly, Miss Stack witnessed to a God of love and benevolence. She was a person of gentleness, kindness and care and I remember those years I spent in her classroom with great affection. Cardinal Newman, the great educationalist of the 19th Century, who wrote *The Idea of a University*, a marvellous work on education, said that *the purpose of education is to develop the imagination*. Let us hope that we can all endeavour to develop the imagination of our young people – the five-year-olds who are beginning their educational adventure and the young teenagers, who are sometimes uncertain of themselves, as they break into the reality of secondary school and all the angst of teenage life. Pope Francis says that we sometimes neglect the young and the older generation. Let us continue to encourage and bring forth the gifts of the young. And let us treasure the wisdom of the older generation, who have lived life and gained such insight about the twists and turns on life's road. Let's value imagination and creativity. There's goodness there - we just need to encourage it and nourish it. (FR. GEORGE HAYES)

- **Season of Creation 2021: 'Restoring Our Common Home'** Free WEBINAR 'Caring for God's Creatures' at 8pm, Thursday, 16th Sept., to register ☎ 064 66 32644 / See poster on notice-board. **Season of Creation leaflets at the back of the church.**
- **Guided Pilgrimages on Lough Derg Pilgrim Path** will be offered on 11th, 15th, 18th 26th Sept, and 3rd Oct, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. 12km and 8km options. Booking essential – info@loughderg.org / ☎ 071 9861518.

Kenmare Adult Education Centre, Bell Height. Autumn Programme 2021 – to register for all courses ☎ 064 6641157 or email info@kenmareaec.ie for more information. Computer Skills for Farmers – Wednesday evenings from 22nd Sept., ☎086 8279248

Cork Autism Online Conference 2021. Sunday 17th Oct. This online conference offers skills & strategies to support people on the autism spectrum. Visit: www.autismcork.ie

Leaving Cert Students:



Congratulations to all students who received their results last Wednesday; we wish you the best over these days of waiting and decision making. Lord help each one to recognise the opportunity and potential you offer every day especially when the way is neither clear nor obvious.

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. ~