

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

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**Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> Sept 2021 ~ 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Recent Death:** We remember in our prayers **MAURA NASH (nee Finnegan)** Cobh and late of Henry St. Kenmare. May she Rest in Peace!

**Direendaragh:** Sat: 6.30pm Eileen & Timothy Casey, Gortacloughane Anniversary.

**Templeno:** Sun: Mass 10.45am. *for the people of the parish*

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

Sat	8.00pm	Michael J. & Stephen O’Sullivan, late of Henry St. .... 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Sun	9.30am	Ciaran Farrell, Derrygeel, Lanesboro, Longford ..... Anniversary
Sun	12noon	Jackie Cahill, Killarney Road ..... Month’s Mind
Mon	10.00am	Liam O’Mahony ..... Month’s Mind
Tues	10.00am	Con O’Gorman, Cork & Newmarket ..... Recently Deceased
Wed	10.00am	Mary O’Shea, Graigue-na-Greine, Blackwater. .... Anniversary
Thur	10.00am	Jimmy & Lizzy O’Shea, Ashgrove ..... Anniversary
Fri	10.00am	Mary McCarthy Gill (Top Cross), Galway ..... Anniversary

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

**CHURCH NOTICES**

The Sacraments of **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** and **CONFIRMATION**, for the pupils of St. John’s N.S. & Cahir N.S. Kenmare, are scheduled to take place in Holy Cross Church, Kenmare, as follows:

- **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION on Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 –**
  - a) **St. John’s N.S. Ms. Lucey’s Class along with Cahir N.S. at 10.30 a.m.**
  - b) **St. John’s N.S. Ms. O’Sullivan’s Class at 12 noon.**
- **CONFIRMATION on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2021.**
  - a) **Last year’s 6<sup>th</sup> Class with Mr. Morley in St. John’s & Mr. Crean’s 6<sup>th</sup> Class in Cahir N.S. at 10.30 a.m.**
  - b) **Last year’s 6<sup>th</sup> Class with Ms. Healy & Ms. O’Sullivan at 12 noon.**

Let us continue to pray for the candidates for these sacraments and their families.

**Rosary at Our Lady’s Well every evening at 7.00pm.**

*(Please note new time)*

**CHANGE OF MASS TIMES ~ next weekend 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Sept.,**

**MASS TIMES: Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> Sept., Templeno Church: .... Mass at 6.00pm**

**Holy Cross Church: .... Mass at 7.30pm**

**Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> Sept., Holy Cross Church: .... Mass at 9am & 12noon**

**NEXT MASS in DIREENDARRAGH CHURCH ... SATURDAY, 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER, AT 6.00 P.M.**

**Pastor’s Ponderings:**

One of the people I sometimes quote is the medieval Dominican Priest and Mystic, Meister Eckhart (1260-1328). I came across a piece of one of his writings during the week and it includes the following “*God is not what you think or even what you believe, because God is a word unspoken, a thought unthought, a belief unbelieved. So if you wish to know this God, practice wonder, do what is good and cultivate silence. The rest will follow*”. There is so much wisdom in those short lines. They contain guidance which one could use as a way to live one’s life. I love the line that says “*practice wonder, do what is good and cultivate silence*”. That alone provides insight into how we should live. Another writer I came across a few years ago said that a sense of wonder is essential to being able to believe in God. He suggested that if we couldn’t have a sense of wonder, we wouldn’t be able to believe in God. For me, nature is a wonderful place to be able to connect with and nourish a sense of wonder. Who could not be captivated by snow-capped mountains or the way the clouds seem to hang over the upper reaches of Moll’s Gap? When the sun ripples on the water and the sky is reflected in the lake, isn’t there a sense of wonder? There’s a sense of wonder in the perfection of a baby’s fingers and the love between parent and child. Life can bring a raw reality into our lives, but we should always strive to keep our sense of wonder – because as Meister Eckhart counsels, wonder is a gateway to the good and infinite God. And the other part of his words of wisdom...*do what is good and cultivate silence*. We know that when we do good, it expands us and it expands our relationships....and silence...well without it, I would go mad. Silence is a space that allows me to develop an inner calm, a space within where I can be aware of the stirrings of God. Maybe in the week ahead, we’ll all benefit if we “*practice wonder, do what is good and cultivate silence*”. It is certainly worth a try! (Fr. George Hayes)

- **KERRY REMEMBERS** those who have died during Covid Times, on Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Sept., at 9am in Our Lady and St Brendan’s Church Tralee. You can Attend (church can fit 500), Listen on Radio Kerry, or Watch the stream. Visit the church to submit your loved one’s name and date of death for the physical Memory Tree or email details to: horizons@radiokerry.ie
- **Recovery Haven Kerry** are doing a Children's Creative Workshop on Thursday September 30<sup>th</sup> online at 6.30 pm. The workshop is for children impacted by cancer, and is hosted by Katie O Donoghue, Art Therapist. Please contact Reception on 066 7192122 if you are interested or would like more information.

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

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