

Kenmare Parish ~ Fr. George Hayes, Parish Priest.

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Sunday, 3rd October 2021 ~ 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Live Streaming of Masses via our website – www.kenmareparish.com

Recent Death:

We remember in our prayers **LIZ HALLISSEY**, London & Gortnacurra, Kenmare.
Funeral arrangements later.

Direendarragh: Mass – Sat. 6pm. Eugene & Sadie O’Sullivan and John Sugrue. Anniversary

Templenoe Church: next Mass on Saturday, 9th October at 6.00pm
Anniversary Mass for Tom & Maura Spillane.

Holy Cross Church, Kenmare. Mass Intentions this week.

Sat	7.30pm	Denis Crushell, Killarney Rd. Anniversary
Sun	9.00am	Dan Cahill, Kenmare Old Anniversary
Sun	12noon	Fr. Michael O’Shea, Scarteen, Blackwater Anniversary
Mon	10.00am	Eoghan & Maura O’Sullivan, Mucksna Anniversary
Tues	10.00am	Fr. Tom Gaine, Lisseyclearig Anniversary
Wed	10.00am	Jerry & Brian O’Sullivan, Bella Vista, Killarney Rd. Anniversary
Thur	10.00am	Nora Foley & Brian Forward Anniversary
Fri	10.00am	Alice Madden, Firgrove, Kenmare Anniversary
Sat 9th	7.30pm	Mary Power, Dromneavane Anniversary

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

ROSARY is recited at OUR LADY’S WELL every evening at 7pm.

CHURCH NOTICES:

Rosary on the Coast for Life & Faith in Ireland The Rosary will be recited at The Pier, Kenmare next Sunday afternoon (10th October) at 2.30pm for the protection of Life and the restoration of Faith. Remember – the Month of October is dedicated to the ROSARY:

Liturgy Webinar: Together Again – Moving forward with hope. Thursday 7th October at 8pm. More information... please email francesrowland@dioceseofkerry.org.

Online Workshop for Parish Musicians: The diocese will host an online workshop for parish musicians on Tuesday, October 5th at 7:30pm via Zoom. All involved in music ministry are welcome. The purpose of the workshop is to prepare choirs and parish musicians for the weeks ahead, as choirs and singers resume their role in the liturgy. The workshop will be presented by Tomás Kenny and Ailish Walsh O’Connor. Please email Tomás Kenny at tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie if you plan to attend.

Pastor’s Ponderings

I wrote previously, in the parish in which I served, in these Pastor’s Ponderings, of listening to an extraordinary interview, some months ago, with Geraldine Mullan, a wife and mother, who lost her much loved husband, John, and her two children, Tomas and Amelia, when their car plunged into the sea, during a storm, as the family returned after a day’s outing in Derry. Geraldine, who is a cancer nurse specialist, was the sole survivor. During the week, I listened to another interview with Geraldine on the Outlook section of the BBC World Service, entitled *Finding healing in the Sea* – it is well worth a listen, and it tells of the extraordinary courage and resilience of this woman. In the interview, Geraldine spoke of the happiness she shared in her family life and how she, John and their children, Tomas and Amelia, were a tightly bonded unit. In the aftermath of the accident, Geraldine spoke of her immense grief, but she also spoke of the support her faith has been to her and the kindness of family and friends. Geraldine is truly heroic in my eyes. She has the capacity to get up for work in the hospital and care for the patients she encounters in her clinic, obviously, with great dedication and devotion. Geraldine also described how she has taken up sea swimming with a group of friends who meet regularly. Though she lost her much loved family to the sea, Geraldine describes how the sea has also been a source of healing for her. And Geraldine finds support in her faith and in the belief that she will meet her husband and two children once again in another life. The interview is full of pathos and is incredibly poignant. It would bring you to tears. But Geraldine is also a marvellous inspiration and a reminder to all of us that we sometimes get upset about such little things. People like Geraldine help us gain perspective in life. Cherish those who are important in life and be grateful for all that we have been given. And see that there’s always a bigger picture. (Fr. George Hayes)

First Holy Communion & Confirmation 2021

A special word of thanks to all those who gave so generously of their time to make such a success of our recent celebrations of FIRST HOLY COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION.

So many people were involved, on behalf of the parish, in so many ways – the Principals and staffs of Pobalscoil Inbhear Sceine, St. John’s N.S. and Cahir N.S. ... the people in the sacristy, those who prepared the flowers, those who clean the church, the stewards, Ministers of the Word, organist and musicians, those who led the catechetics preparation programmes, those who provided administrative support and prepared the leaflets, the people who put up the bunting/flags – there are so many involved in the daily workings of our parish – to all of you, many, many thanks.

As we conclude the Season of Creation, we invite you to reflect on what choices you can continue to take for the well-being of our common home. If you haven’t already done so, you might wish to sign the “Healthy Planet, Healthy People” petition - look up website www.thecatholicpetitions.org ... also more details on www.dioceseofkerry.ie

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. ~