

Kenmare Parish ~ Fr. George Hayes, Parish Priest.

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Sunday, 24th October 2021 ~ Mission Sunday

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

Recent Deaths: JOHN NASH, 23 Killowen, Kenmare. Requiem Mass on Monday (25th Oct) at 11am. Burial afterwards in Holy Cross Cemetery, Cross Roads, Kenmare.
DENIS DOWNING, Derryleigh, Blackwater & Acton, London. Funeral arrangements later.
May they Rest in Peace.

Templenoe Church: Mass 6.00pm Donal Shea, Reen, Kenmare. Month's Mind

Direndarragh Church: next Mass on Saturday, 30th October, at 6.00pm.

Mass intention: Alex Egan, Tooreenahone, Blackwater.

Holy Cross Church, Kenmare. Mass Intentions this week.

Sat	7.30pm	Paul McGonigle, Killowen	Anniversary
Sun	9.00am	Francis Thompson, Lackeen	Anniversary
Sun	12noon	O'Connor Family, The Square & Shelbourne St.	Anniversary
Mon	11.00am	John Nash, 23 Killowen, Kenmare	Requiem Mass
Tues	10.00am	Tom & Mary Randles, Cahir & Main Street	Anniversary
Wed	10.00am	John & Elizabeth O'Sullivan-Casey, Gortamullen	Anniversary
Thurs	10.00am		
Fri	10.00am	Hannah, Jeremiah & Geraldine Lynch, Scarteen Pk.	Anniversary
Sat (30 th)	7.30pm	Mary Ann O'Sullivan, Bonane & Galway	Anniversary
CONFESSIONS in Holy Cross Church ~ every Saturday between 12noon and 12.30pm			

10 th October	Offertory	Parish Development Fund - Weekly Envelopes	Total
Direndarragh	€ 44	€ 114	€ 158
Kenmare	€ 312	€ 1125	€ 1437

There is NO 10am MASS in HOLY CROSS CHURCH on MONDAY 25th OCTOBER.

- **Kerry Diocesan Collection 'Propagation of the Faith'** - taken up this weekend. All monies collected will go straight to support the missions across the globe. Be as generous as you can! Envelopes provided at the back of the church – can be returned next weekend.

NOVEMBER MASSES FOR THE HOLY SOULS:

You will find a **'Purple Envelope'** in your box of **'Parish Envelopes'** together with a sheet to list the names of your deceased relatives & friends. Bring these envelopes to Mass and your loved ones will be especially remembered on the FEAST OF ALL SOULS (2nd Nov) and at all the **NOVEMBER MASSES** celebrated in the parish.

The List of 'NOVEMBER' Masses for the Holy Souls can be viewed on the notice-board in the church porch.



This is Mission Sunday. The body that coordinates this day has a new name 'Missio Ireland', to harmonise with the name in other countries worldwide. Ponder, pray about and share, our faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The annual Mission collection is held worldwide to support the work of missionaries in poor and remote communities; for example, helping build vital infrastructure, churches, formation centres for religious and clergy, medical clinics and schools. Thank the people for their generosity to this cause.

The theme this year is *"We cannot remain silent – We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard (Acts 4:20)"*. Let us honour and remind the people of all the dedicated missionaries, past and present, from our own diocese.

Pastor's Ponderings

I was talking with someone during the week who mentioned that they had some visitors, recently, from the United States. The visitors were absolutely captivated by the green of the countryside and the changing colours of the autumn leaves. Certainly, autumn reminds us of change in life...the poet's words seem to say something about the value of ageing..."*how beautifully leaves grow old. How full of light and colour are their last days.*" Perhaps we could also view life in that way - that to grow old is to grow in the beauty of wisdom, self-knowledge, and insight. In many cultures, particularly in Asia, Africa, and the Orient, to grow old is something which is hugely valued and respected. To grow old is to have gained insights into life and what is important in life. Older people are treated with deference and respect because of the wisdom which they have accumulated. Isn't it ironic that in our Western culture, we seem to focus so much on staying young...so much of our advertising is aimed at looking young and preventing the wrinkles of old age. We don't always appreciate that ageing is also something natural. To grow in years can enable us to grow in wisdom. And wisdom is one of the great gifts of the Holy Spirit. Wisdom is that ability to see beyond the immediate. Wisdom is the capacity to know what matters. Wisdom goes beyond the emotion of the keyboard warrior. It seems to me that wisdom is gained through reflection on life. It isn't automatic. It takes training and effort to grow wise. Are we not all lucky when we come in contact with a truly wise person? They help us to see what is important and guide us not to over-react to the trials and tribulations of daily life. Wise people keep perspective and are most often grateful for the simple blessings of daily life. So as autumn arrives and the leaves begin to change colour, let us appreciate the value of ageing. No one can give us life experience. That is hard earned. And with the passing of years, and with a capacity to reflect on life, we can, truly, grow in wisdom. It is, after all, one of God's great gifts. (Fr. George Hayes)

Taobh Linn: Taobh Linn are back and open for meals - contact Tanya O'Sullivan, 064-6648616 or 087 1516120, if you would like to attend.

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