

Kenmare Parish ~ Fr. George Hayes, Parish Priest.

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Sunday, 31st October 2021 ~ 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Live Streaming of Masses via our website – www.kenmareparish.com

Recent Deaths:

ELIZABETH (LIZ) HALLISSEY, London & Gortnacurra, Kenmare. Funeral Mass on Thursday, (4th Nov) in Holy Cross Church, Kenmare followed by burial in Old Kenmare Cemetery. **JOHN NASH**, Killowen, Kenmare & **DENIS DOWNING**, Derryleigh, Blackwater, whose funeral Masses took place during the week.

May they Rest in Peace.

Direendarragh: Sat at 6.00pm. Alex Egan, Tooreenahone, Blackwater. ... Anniversary		
Templenoë Church: All Souls Day (2 nd Nov) Mass at 7.30pm / Sat (6 th) Mass at 6.00pm		
Holy Cross Church, Kenmare. Mass Intentions this week.		
Sat	7.30pm	Mary Ann O’Sullivan, Bonane & Galway. Anniversary
Sun	9.00am	The Randles Family, The Grove, Shelbourne St. ... Anniversary
Sun	12noon	Teresa & Timothy O’Shea, Coomnakilla Anniversary
Mon (1st) Holy Day	9.00am	Msgr. Frank Cremin Anniversary
	12noon	Brendan O’Connor, Killarney Rd. Anniversary
Tues (2nd)	10.00am	FEAST OF ALL SOULS
Wed	10.00am	McCarthy Family, Springwell & Ardgroom Anniversary
Thurs	11.00am	Elizabeth (Liz) Hallissey, London & Gortnacurra Funeral Mass
Fri	10.00am	Patrick & Helena O’Sullivan, Claddanure Anniversary
Sat (6 th)	10.00am	Liam Dinneen, Lee Brook Hse. Killarney Rd. ... Month’s Mind
Sat (6 th)	7.30pm	Margaret McCarthy, Kilcurrane Anniversary
CONFESSIONS in Holy Cross Church ~ every Saturday between 12noon and 12.30pm		

24 Oct 2021	Offertory	Parish Development Fund - Weekly Envelopes	Total
Templenoë	€18	€ 40	€ 58
Kenmare	€ 458	€ 924	€ 1,382

Solemnity of ALL SAINTS, Monday, 1st NOVEMBER, is a Holy Day of Obligation.
MASSES in HOLY CROSS CHURCH at 9.00am & 12noon.

Feast of ALL SOULS, Tuesday, 2nd NOVEMBER.

MASSES: Holy Cross Church at 10.00am & Templenoë Church at 7.30pm

Due to Covid-19, this November there will be no Masses celebrated in Holy Cross Cemetery, Cross Roads, Kenmare or New Templenoë Cemetery.

Rosary in Holy Cross Church every evening at 7.00pm ... all welcome!

November is a ‘remembering’ month, traditionally known as ‘The month of 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. Envelopes & Sheets also available at the back of the church. Bring these envelopes to Mass and your loved ones will be especially remembered on the **FEAST OF ALL SOULS, Tues (2nd Nov)** and at all the **NOVEMBER MASSES** celebrated in the parish.

‘NOVEMBER’ MASSES FOR THE HOLY SOULS

HOLY CROSS CHURCH. List can be viewed on the noticeboard in the church porch.

TEMPLENOË CHURCH: Tues. (2nd) at 7.30pm & Saturday (6th & 20th) at 6.00pm

DIREENDARRAGH CHURCH: Monday (8th) at 7.30pm

MASS FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED, during the past year, will be celebrated on Friday, 19th November, at 7.30pm in Holy Cross Church, Kenmare.

TRÓCAIRE: Next weekend 6th/7th November a **‘Special Collection’** will be taken up for the needs of people in Ethiopia & South Sudan. Please be a generous as you can. The date coincides with the world meeting in Glasgow on climate change and thus enables us to show solidarity with this vital cause, and to highlight the work of Trócaire regarding climate change.

LIVING WITH GRIEF AND BEREAVEMENT: The diocese of Kerry is hosting an online webinar on Thursday Nov 4th, 8.00pm – 8.30pm presented by Finola Cunnane. For more information and to register check out www.dioceseofkerry.ie

Pastor’s Ponderings

“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt in the heart”. These words come from the American educationalist and advocate, Helen Keller, who was born in 1880 and died in 1968 at the age of 88. Two years after her birth, Keller contracted a condition which would leave her blind and deaf. However, despite these setbacks, Keller went on to become one of the first blind and deaf people to graduate with a degree. As a committed humanitarian, Keller worked throughout her life on behalf of those with disabilities and by the end of her life Keller had been awarded numerous doctorates by prestigious universities as well as numerous awards. I’ve often said that one of the qualities for faith is a capacity for awe and wonder. Our faith, our belief, our willingness to follow Jesus Christ are not grounded in science. Rather, our belief in Jesus Christ and our belief in a life to come are grounded in a deeper knowledge, a knowledge and wisdom which can be found in our inner beings and in our hearts. As I’ve often commented, when Our Lady was asked to be the mother of God, Scripture tells us she pondered these things *in her heart*. So the heart is a place of true wisdom, the heart is a place where God speaks to our inner selves. No, we don’t hear voices but God does move our hearts. After all why would we be compassionate if our hearts weren’t moved? Why would we reach out with kindness and understanding if our hearts were not touched? In a world where we celebrate science and its marvellous contribution to life, we must always realise that there are some of life truths which cannot be examined under a microscope. Truth itself is a reality. Beauty is absolutely real. Faith is a category of knowing. But truth, beauty and faith can never be known through the marvels of science. Truth, beauty and faith cannot be examined under a microscope. These are truths which we come to know from having a capacity for wonder, in being awestruck, surprised by God. As the autumn colours captivate us and as we remember our loved ones in this month of November, let’s realise that there are some things which must be *“felt in the heart”* (Fr. George Hayes).