

Kenmare Parish ~ Fr. George Hayes, Parish Priest.

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Sunday, 21st November 2021 ~ Feast of Christ the King

RECENT DEATHS:

Donal Madden, Oranmore, Galway & late of Firgrove Hse. Kenmare.

Phyllis & Tony Gilbert, 45 Dromneavane, Kenmare.

Matthew O’Sullivan, New Jersey and late of Gortalinny North, Kenmare.

May the Rest in Peace!

Templenoe Church. Mass: Sat. 20th Nov at 6pm. **NOVEMBER Mass for the Holy Souls**

Direendarragh: Mass on Sat 27th at 6pm. *Sheila, Denis & Catherine O’Neill. Anniversary.*

Holy Cross Church, Kenmare. Mass Intentions this week.

Sat	7.30pm	Tommy & Esther Harrington, Lower Reen Anniversary
Sun	9.00am	Paudie O’Shea, Cummers, Lauragh & Taobh Linn. 1 st Anniv.
Sun	12noon	NOVEMBER Mass for the Holy Souls
Mon	10.00am	NOVEMBER Mass for the Holy Souls
Tues	10.00am	Maureen Hallissey, Gortnacurra, Kenmare Anniversary
Wed	10.00am	McCarthy Family, Springwell, Kenmare & Ardroom. ”
Thurs	10.00am	The Scully & O’Sullivan Families Anniversary
Fri	10.00am	Chris Murphy, Gortrooskagh, Kenmare Anniversary
Sat (27 th)	7.30pm	NOVEMBER Mass for the Holy Souls

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

Rosary in Holy Cross Church every evening at 7.00pm

13 th & 14 th Nov.	Offertory	Parish Development Fund - Weekly Envelopes	Total
Direendarragh	€ 52	€ 98	€ 150
Kenmare	€ 444	€ 946	€ 1390

TRÓCAIRE ‘SPECIAL’ COLLECTION: The total amount now received is €5,000.

Many, many thanks to all who have so generously contributed.

Sharing God’s word with children

Jessie Rogers, parent, Scripture teacher, Godly Play trainer and spiritual guide, will offer practical ways of engaging children in gospel stories in our webinar on Thursday 25th Nov. 8-8.30pm. The evening will be especially relevant to parents, those involved with the Children’s Liturgy of the Word in our parishes and primary teachers. For more information and to register, check out www.dioceseofkerry.ie

Online Pre-Sacramental Preparation talk for Parents:

The Diocese of Kerry will be hosting an online event for the parents of children going forward for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The talk is presented by Dr Patricia Kieran and titled ...CONFIRMATION JOURNEYING WITH YOUR CHILD on Tuesday, 30th November at 7pm. To register: email desbailey@dioceseofkerry.ie / ☎ 064 6632644

Taobh Linn Social Centre – now open for meals at 12noon, Monday to Friday. Art Classes on Wednesday at 2pm for the next 4 weeks. Please ☎ Tanya O’Sullivan 064-6648616 / 087-1516120. Covid Certs required. Church Gate Collection 27th & 28th November in aid of Kenmare Community Care CLG – Taobh Linn Soc. Centre.

The Kenmare Butter Market will hold its first Artisan Christmas Market on the 11th & 12th December from 10-6pm each day. Expect art, craft, artisan food, festive cheer and more. All monies raised go local charities, Carnegie Arts Centre & St. Vincent De Paul.

Chime Outreach Clinic at Kenmare Family Resource Centre: Free support service ... maintenance & minor hearing aid repairs – also batteries and info on hearing loss, entitlements, assistive technology, Irish Sign Language and Tinnitus. Booking is essential. ☎ Rion on 086-0105200 for appointment.

Pastor’s Ponderings

The German language poet, Ranier Maria Rilke, has a lovely quotation, which says *This is the miracle that happens every time to those who love; the more they give, the more they possess*". The same sentiment is expressed in the wonderful canticle of Saint Francis "It is in giving that we receive". Rilke and St. Francis challenge a view which can be part of our contemporary lives, a view which says that the more I accumulate the happier I am. But as the Gospel warns us, the more we accumulate, the bigger barns that we need to build.... a metaphor for the fact that wealth of itself does not bring happiness. Certainly, there is no joy in poverty. The anxiety which comes with financial stress can never be underestimated. But neither should we be fooled into believing that great wealth will, of itself, bring happiness. Wealth facilitates choices but happiness is found really within ourselves. You can find people who have little of life's wealth, but they have an inner contentment. And of course, we all like to enjoy what money can buy us and the enjoyment of holidays and meals and pursuing our interests. But if you talk to people who volunteer and give of their time and their energy, you will always find that giving of their time, their resources and their talent brings great satisfaction. As the poet Rilke notes, the more we give the more we possess. So, let’s be generous with our love, our kindness, our goodness, and our time. After all, in the wisdom of St. Francis *“it is in giving that we receive, it is in dying that we are born to eternal life”*. (Fr. George Hayes)

