



Holy Cross Church, Kenmare

# Kenmare Parish

Kenmare Pastoral Area including parishes of Glengarriff, Kenmare, Kilgarvan, Tuosist and Sneem

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Opening Hours: Monday to Thursday 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m., Friday 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024 ~ 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Direendarragh



Our Lady of the Assumption, Templeoe

Direendarragh: Mass will take place on Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October at 7pm. Packie & Kathleen Doyle, Scarteen ~ Anniversary			
Templeoe: Next Mass will take place on Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October at 7p.m.			
Mass Intentions: Holy Cross Church, Kenmare.			
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup>	26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)	7.30p.m	James & Julia O'Sullivan, Cappanacuss and Michael & Debbie O'Sullivan, NY ~ Anniversary
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup>	26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	12 noon	Michael, Mary & PJ Randles, Killowen ~ Anniversary
			Jessie MacCarthy, Bell Height, Kenmare ~ Anniversary
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup>	St Jerome	10.00a.m.	Private Intention
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup>	St Thérèse of the Child Jesus	10.00a.m.	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i>
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	The Guardian Angels	10.00a.m.	Tess O'Sullivan, Midleton ~ Anniversary
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bl. Columba Marmion	10.00a.m.	Fr. Michael O'Shea, Scarteen ~ Anniversary
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>	St Francis of Assisi	10.00a.m.	Fr. Tom Gaine, Lissyclearig & Perth, Australia ~ Anniversary
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup>	27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)	7.30p.m	Michael (Sonnie) O'Sullivan Gowla, Gortagass ~ First Anniversary
			David O'Connor, Killaha West & Drumlusk, Blackwater ~ Anniversary
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>	27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	12 noon	Noreen (John R) McCarthy, Killowen Rd. & Main St. ~ Month's Mind
			Denis Crushell, Kenmare ~ Anniversary
<i>Holy Cross Church CONFESSIONS:..... Saturday evening from 7pm –7.20pm</i>			
<i>Holy Hour ..... Sunday: 7.00pm – 8.00pm.</i>			

21 <sup>st</sup> / 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Offertory	Parish Development Fund Weekly Envelopes	Total
Kenmare Parish	€1296.80	€1453.20	€2750

From September 30<sup>th</sup>, the **Rosary** is prayed every night at 7pm in Holy Cross Church. Everyone is welcome to join.

## ✠ Recently Deceased ✠

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.  
May they rest in the gentle embrace of Christ.  
We offer our sympathy to all who are bereaved

## Pastor's Ponderings

I was reading an article, the other day, which quoted the Colombian Nobel Prize winning novelist Gabriel Garcia Marquez. In his fictional novel, *A hundred years of solitude*, Garcia Marquez wrote of the "peaceful charms of old age" and suggested that "the secret of a good old age is simply an honourable pact with solitude". It made me think about solitude and how valuable it can be. Even when we are in a close relationship, we can have times of solitude – times when we are completely content and at ease on our own. There is, of course, a difference between solitude and loneliness. Loneliness is an absence that can feel sharp and cold, an ache which cannot be easily filled. Solitude, by contrast, is an ease with oneself, an ease with one's company, an inner kind of happiness. In a world where we can converse with people at the other end of the globe on a mobile phone and in a culture where there is so much instant access to each other with texts, social media posts and blogging, isn't it somewhat ironic that people can still feel lonely? Loneliness is not only a phenomenon of the elderly – apparently, quite a lot of young people experience loneliness. It seems to me that we have to cultivate solitude. We have to nurture an ability to be at ease in our own skins. We have to be able to *sit into ourselves*, as it were. We have to be at ease with ourselves and not constantly seek diversion, noise, stimulation. I've had many opportunities while, on retreat, over the years. So, in the week ahead, let's take out the earphones, even for a while. Maybe switch off the mobile phone or put it on silent. Turn off all the background noise. And let's sit quietly with ourselves. And discover hidden depths. And be content with who God causes us to be. It is the route to a contented solitude.

(Fr. George Hayes)

Ministers of the Word – OCTOBER 2024	
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> Vigil 7.30 p.m.	Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> 12.00
Bernie McGonigle	Johnny Finnegan

## Moving Forward in Hope – Bishop Ray's Pastoral Letter

There is a Pastoral Letter from Bishop Ray which provides an overview of the ongoing journey within the diocese this year. It also outlines the next steps for parishes and pastoral areas. Copies are available at the back of the church. Please take one to read.

Envelopes for the Autumn offering are now available in your boxes and at the back of the Church. No part of the weekend/Sunday collection is used to fund the priest's salary. The weekly collection is used for the maintenance and heating of the Churches and payment of expenses in running our Churches and Parish. Your consistent generosity is much appreciated.



Autumn

## Community Notice



Enrolment **OPENS** at Cahir National School on 1st October 2024. We are also hosting an Open Afternoon on **Friday 11th October from 1 - 2pm**. Enquiries please email [cahirschool@gmail.com](mailto:cahirschool@gmail.com)

**Kerry Camogie** have plans for a new Camogie club in the Kenmare District. Please put your hand up and your name forward to volunteer for the many roles involved in a new club. All support will be provided. Please get in touch with Kerry Camogie Development Officer Siobhan O'Donoghue 086 365 6949. Kenmare local liaisons Sarah Breen 087 984 9043 and Sinead O'Sullivan 087 681 5546

**Kenmare Adult Education Centre** course: smartphones for beginners on Thursday afternoons 2 pm - 4 pm. Please enrol on [fetchcourses.ie](http://fetchcourses.ie) or call 086 8279248.

Collectors OCTOBER 2024	
7.30 Vigil Mass	12 noon Mass
Sean Crowley	Celia Foley
Edward O'Sullivan	John Foley
James O'Farrell	Julia O'Connor
Bertie McSwiney	Patricia McGuinness