

Holy Cross Church, Kenmare

## **Kenmare Parish**

Kenmare Pastoral Area including parishes of Glengarriff, Kenmare, Kilgarvan, Tuosist and Sneem Fr George Hayes, Parish Priest, Vicar General. Fr. Seán Murphy.

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Sunday 23rd November 2025 - Christ the King





Sunday 25 November 2025 Citi

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Direendarragh Our Lady of the Assumption, Templenoe

**Direendarragh:** Mass will take place on **Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December** at 7p.m. ~ Denis, Mary & Mikie O'Neill, Bridie O'Neill & Liam Doyle

**Templenoe:** Next Mass will take place on **Tuesday, 16**<sup>th</sup> **December** at 7 p.m. ~ Ann Falvey, Ballylickey, Bantry ~ Recently Deceased

Mass Intentions: Holy Cross Church, Kenmare.					
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Christ the King (Vigil)	7.30 p.m.	Novena of Masses for the Faithful Departed		
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Christ King	12 noon	Novena of Masses for the Faithful Departed		
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	St Andrew Dǔng- Lac	10.30a.m.	Novena of Masses for the Faithful Departed		
Tue 25 <sup>th</sup>	St Coleman	10.30a.m.	Novena of Masses for the Faithful Departed		
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	34 <sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time	10.30a.m.	Denis Ward ~ Anniversary		
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup>	St Fergal	10.30a.m.	Donie O'Sullivan (Thade Dan), Bonane & Kenmare ~ Anniversary		
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup>	34 <sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time	10.30a.m.	Dan O'Sullivan & his parents Tim & Bell O'Sullivan Gortagass ~ Anniversary		
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup>	First Sunday of Advent (Vigil)	7.30 p.m.	Mary (May) Mahony, Parnell Place & Mallow ~ 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary Sheila Fahy, Templenoe ~ Anniversary		
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	FIRST SUNDAY Advent	12 noon	Denis Sullivan Morgan, Gortamullen ~ Anniversary  James (Jimmy) Harrington, Reen ~ Month's Mind		

15 <sup>th</sup> / 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Offertory	Parish Development Fund Weekly Envelopes	Total
Kenmare Parish	€742	€1,113	€1,855

## **†** Recently Deceased **†**

We pray for John O'Sullivan, Claddanure West; John Murphy, Hospital Cross, Kenmare and Frances McCarthy (née O'Sullivan), Woodside, Kenmare whose funerals took place during the week. We also pray for all the faithful departed and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their gentle souls rest in eternal peace. We offer our sympathy to all who are bereaved.

Presentation of Benemerenti Medal to Mrs. Ann Lynch

On Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at the 7.30 p.m. vigil mass, we will have a special presentation of the papal honour of the *Benemerenti* medal from Pope Leo to Ann Lynch, to acknowledge Ann's contribution in her role as sacristan in our Church for so many decades. The medal will be presented at the mass and there will be refreshments afterwards in Pobalscoil Secondary School, next door. Please join us in celebrating Ann's dedication to the life of our Parish on this occasion of great joy. All are welcome.

## **NOVEMBER MASSES FOR THE HOLY SOULS:**

You will find a purple offering envelope in your box of Parish Envelopes together with a sheet to list the names of your deceased relatives & friends. For those of you who do not use the boxes, there are offering envelopes and sheets available in Holy Cross. Please place the envelopes, with your offering, in the secure safe at the front or back of the church or in the collection basket at the weekend masses. Your loved ones will be especially remembered at all November Masses, including a Novena of Masses from Monday 17th to Tuesday 25th, celebrated in the parish.

Ministers of the Word – November 2025		
Saturday 29th November	Sunday 30th November	
Vigil at 7.30 p.m.	Mass at 12 noon	
Mary Henderson	Anna Marie O'Sullivan	

In preparation for Christmas, we invite you to join with us in reading and praying the Sunday Gospels for Advent. Begins Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30p.m. in Templenoe Church. **Lectio Divina Group** 

The Travelling Crib is a figure/statue of Mary & Joseph travelling to the Inn at Bethlehem; it's called the Posada in Spanish.

The Posada celebrations originated in Mexico where there was a custom by which two young people were chosen to dress up as Mary and Joseph. The two young people would travel from house to house, telling people about the imminent arrival of Jesus, and asking them if they would give him a room. On Christmas Eve, they would re-enact a Community Play and bring figures of Mary and Joseph to be placed in the crib.

The modern equivalent is based on this custom. **The Travelling Crib** may be taken by different people, families, or single households, to give a home to the Crib for a night; beginning its journey at the Vigil Mass. From next weekend, the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent, the Travelling Crib will travel around this parish each day from home to home, symbolising the journey of Mary and Joseph from Nazareth to Bethlehem. The Crib will arrive at Holy Cross for the Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve.

We need 25 families to welcome The Travelling Crib of Mary and Joseph for a day. You are invited to sign up this weekend on the form provided at the church entrance.

## #HaveYourSay about your Catholic School

For Attention of Parents of children attending Primary Schools or have yet to start. The Department of Education is currently conducting a Primary School Survey that will determine the future provision of Primary Schools and crucially could lead to lasting changes in **your** school. In simple, direct terms, you are being asked if you want your school to stay a Catholic school or if you want that to change. Don't leave it to others, have your say before 16 December 2025See - <a href="https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/">https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/</a>

Outreach Clinic in Kenmare

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 10am-1pm, KENMARE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE, RAILWAY ROAD. We offer free and confidential support and advice to Deaf and Hard of Hearing people. Services provided: Information, Assistive Technology, Minor Hearing Aid Repairs, Rights and Entitlements, Hearing Aid Batteries, €3 per pack. Call or text Lorraine on 086-0105200 to make an appointment. Booking is essential

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Fundraiser for **Rockmount Daycare Centre** on Fri 28th Nov at 7.30pm. Tickets €20. Tickets at carnegieartskenmare.ie and Rockmount. Evening of entertainment with special guest PJ Murrihy. Raffle & Refreshments.



Holy Hour ...... Sunday: 7.00pm - 8.00pm.