



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 30th November 2025 – First Sunday of Advent



Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
Direendarragh



Our Lady of the Assumption,
Templenoe

Direendarragh: Mass will take place on **Tuesday, 9th December** at 7p.m.
Denis, Mary & Mikie O'Neill, Bridie O'Neill and Liam Doyle ~ Anniversary
Templenoe: Next Mass will take place on **Tuesday, 16th December** at 7 p.m.
Ann Favey, Ballylickey, Bantry ~ Recently deceased.

Mass Intentions: Holy Cross Church, Kenmare.

Sat 29 th	First Sunday of Advent (Vigil)	7.30 p.m.	Mary (May) Mahony, Parnell Place & Mallow ~ 1 st Anniversary Sheila Fahy, Templenoe ~ Anniversary
Sun 30 th		12 noon	Denis Sullivan Morgan, Gortamullen ~ Anniversary James (Jimmy) Harrington, Reen ~ Month's Mind
Mon 1 st	1 st Week in Advent	10.30a.m.	Tom Foley, The Marshes ~ Anniversary
Tue 2 nd	1 st Week in Advent	10.30a.m.	John Dan, Maureen & Joe Dan O'Sullivan, Cahir ~ Anniversary
Wed 3 rd	St Francis Xavier	10.30a.m.	Eileen Murphy, Sneem & Kenmare ~ Anniversary
Thurs 4 th	St John Damascene	10.30a.m.	Sr. Eily and Tom & Dolly Randles, Shelbourne St., ~ Anniversary
Fri 5 th	1 st Week in Advent	10.30a.m.	Theresa & Timothy O'Shea, Coomnakilla ~ Anniversary
Sat 6 th	Second Sunday of Advent (Vigil)	7.30 p.m.	Celebration Mass Presentation of Benemerenti Medal to Mrs. Ann Lynch
Sun 7 th		12 noon	Mary O'Leary and Mary Jeffers, Cork ~ Anniversary Dan, Christina, Eoin and Christine McCarthy, Tulloha

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CONFESSIONS: Saturday evening from 7pm – 7.20pm

Holy Hour Sunday: 7.00pm – 8.00pm.

22 nd / 23 rd November	Offertory	Parish Development Fund Weekly Envelopes	Total
Kenmare Parish	€754	€1,086	€1,840

Adoration takes place after Mass each Wednesday.

In preparation for Christmas, we invite you to join with us in reading and praying the Sunday Gospels for Advent. Join us **Monday 1st December** in the Sacristy, Holy Cross at 7.30pm. All Welcome.

✠ Recently Deceased ✠

We pray for **Bobby Hanley, Washington, USA** and late of **Henry Street** who died this 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.

#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 2025. See - <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/>



Priests' Offering: 'Christmas Offering'

The Christmas Offering Collection (which supports your priest) will be taken up at all Masses in the parish on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. You can return your

Christmas Offering envelope in this collection if you have not already done so. The Christmas Offering envelope and collection, at the Christmas masses, forms part of the five envelopes that provide for the priests' income. No part of the Sunday collection is used for this purpose. We are extremely grateful for your continued support throughout the year.

You are invited to write your intentions on the cards provided, and hang them on the Advent Prayer Tree in the church.



Next weekend, at all Masses, there will be a special collection for the Diocesan Youth Service & Youth Ministry. The Kerry Diocesan Youth Service provides an outreach and educational programme for young people. It strives to promote a creative and supportive environment for vulnerable young people.



Please pray for the children preparing for their **First Holy Communion** as we welcome them and their families to the 12 o'clock Mass this Sunday.

The **Communal First Saturday (CFS)** devotions will be held on Saturday 6th December commencing with introductory prayers at 6.45 pm followed by the Rosary at 7pm. Mass is at 7.30 with 15 minutes meditation after Mass. **Due to the presentation of the Papal Honour, the meditation prayers will be delayed.** Confession will begin at 7pm.

First Saturday Conference in Knock, December 6th. For more details please visit firstsaturdays.ie

Ministers of the Word –December 2025

Saturday 6 th December Vigil at 7.30 p.m.	Sunday 7 th December Mass at 12 noon
Allyson Thomas	John Moriarty
Monday 8 th December	Reader of the Day

Collectors – DECEMBER 2025

Saturday Vigil 7.30 pm	Sunday 12 noon
Joe O'Shea	Anna Donnery
Peter Krawczyk	Donal Hickey
Paudie Kelleher	Sean Jones
	Ursula McGearailt

Advent Hymns

♪ Entrance ♪
Arise Jerusalem (22)

♪ Communion ♪
Come O Long Expected Jesus (42)

♪ Recessional ♪
Let us go rejoicing (109)