



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 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025 – Second Sunday of Advent




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 and Liam Doyle ~ Anniversary  
**Templenoe:** Next Mass will take place on **Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December** at 7 p.m.  
Ann Favey, Ballylickey, Bantry ~ Recently deceased.

**Mass Intentions: Holy Cross Church, Kenmare.**

Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>	Second Sunday of Advent (Vigil)	7.30 p.m.	<b>Celebration Mass</b> <b>Presentation of Benemerenti</b> <b>Medal to Mrs. Ann Lynch</b>
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>		12 noon	Mary O'Leary and Mary Jeffers, Cork ~ Anniversary Dan, Christina, Eoin and Christine McCarthy, Tulloha
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup>	The Immaculate Conception of Our Lady	12 noon	Lil Murphy, 4 Henry St ~ Anniversary Dan & Eileen Cronin, Dromcahan ~ Anniversary
Tue 9 <sup>th</sup>	St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin	10.30a.m.	Frank & Gerald O'Shea, died recently in New York & Melbourne, late of Kenmare
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	Our Lady of Loreto	10.30a.m.	Deceased members of Rural Men's Group
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup>	St Damasus I	10.30a.m.	Special Intention
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Our Lady of Guadalupe	10.30a.m.	Sr. Eily and Tom & Dolly Randles, Shelbourne St
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup>	Third Sunday of Advent (Vigil)	7.30 p.m.	Maeve O'Sullivan, Bella Vista ~ Month's Mind John Murphy, Hospital Cross ~ Month's Mind John O'Sullivan, Claddanure West ~ Month's Mind and Thomas O'Sullivan Frances McCarthy, Woodside ~ Month's Mind
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	Third Sunday of Advent  <i>Gaudete Sunday</i>	12 noon	Rita O'Brien, Claddanure East ~ Anniversary Kathy, John & Patrick Donoghue, Mucksna ~ Anniversary Tim O'Donoghue, Cork & Killowen ~ Months Mind

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**CONFESSIONS:** ..... Saturday evening from 7pm – 7.20pm  
**Holy Hour** ..... Sunday: 7.00pm – 8.00pm.

### ✠ Recently Deceased ✠

We pray for **John O'Shea, Greenane, Templenoe** whose funeral  
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.



**Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> December is The Immaculate  
Conception of Our Lady and is a  
Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be  
celebrated at 12 noon.**



**Bambinelli Sunday - the Blessing of the Baby Jesus**  
**December 14<sup>th</sup> – Third Sunday of Advent.**

All children and families are invited to bring the Baby Jesus figure  
from their homes to be blessed. A suggestion is,  
following the blessing, take your 'Bambinelli'  
home, wrap it and open it as a family on  
Christmas morning where the youngest  
member of the family would place it in the crib.  
A gift of the presence of Christ in your home this  
Christmas.



### **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.*

29 <sup>th</sup> / 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Offertory	Parish Development Fund Weekly Envelopes	Total
Kenmare Parish	€1,071	€974	€2,045



**Parish Carol Service**  
**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at**  
**7pm.**



The special collection for Kerry Community Youth Service  
has been DEFERRED until next weekend, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>  
December. This provides an outreach and educational  
programme for young people. It strives to promote a  
creative and supportive environment for vulnerable young people.

The **Communal First Saturday (CFS)** devotions will be held on  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> 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.



Today we light the second candle of the  
Advent Wreath. With this candle we pray  
that the light of Christ will shine through  
us to everyone we meet.  
*Prepare the way of the Lord, make  
straight his paths.*

St Vincent de Paul will be having its Christmas Church gate collection on the  
weekend of the 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> December.

### Ministers of the Word – December 2025

Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> December Vigil at 7.30 p.m.	Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> December Mass at 12 noon
Marie Thérèse Russell	Declan Finnegan



*Advent Hymns*

♪ Entrance ♪

O Come Emmanuel (131)

♪ Communion ♪

Come O Long Expected Jesus (42)

♪ Recessional ♪

Let us go rejoicing (109)

Adoration takes place after Mass each Wednesday.