

OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

In our Parish people are nourished by the Word of God. It is a Parish where love is tangible and practical. It is a place where people pray together. Our Parish community is centred on Jesus Christ, on knowing and loving Him. It is incarnated in the love we show one another.

Pastoral Area Fr Pat O'Donnell 064 7758026/ 086 8351732 call Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb for emergency and sick calls

SATURDAY 1<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY to SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2025



Feast of St Bridget

Sat 1st Shrone 6.00pm (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) Catherine Fitzgerald Moulagow & remembering her parents Denis T & Ellen O'Connor & her Uncle Maurice O'Connor

Sat 1st Knockgree 7.30pm Brid Ni Dhugaill (nee Hickey) Glountane & Mountcain

Presentation of the Lord



(Do this in Memory of Me)

Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Gneeveguilla 9.30am Willie & Agnes Warren Annaghbeg & their son Mike & grandson Willie B. Kitty Barry Tureenamult & all deceased of the Barry Family  
Jeremiah & Nora McCarthy, Stagmount

Sun Rathmore 11.30am (Months Mind) Hillary Kelleher Gortnahanabee

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY

MONDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY to SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2025

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Knocknagree 8.00pm Opening of the Novena Mass Fr Bill Radley  
(Bank Holiday)

Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 8.00pm Novena Msgr Dan Herlihy

Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 8.00pm Novena Fr Denis O Mahony

Thur 6<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 8.00pm Novena Fr Tom Looney

Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 8.00pm Novena Fr Pat O'Donnell

Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Shrone 6.00pm Mary McCarthy, Ballycullane . Noan & John Murphy Knocknagreeha

Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 7.30pm Novena Fr Joe Tarrant

Sheila & Daniel D Murphy, Tureenclassaugh. Kathleen Cronin, Caherbarnagh

Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Gneeveguilla 9.30am (Months Mind) Denis (Den Pete) Murphy, Gneeveguilla

Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Rathmore 11.30am (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) Peggy Mullooly, Convent View

Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Knocknagree 8.00pm Prayer Service "Christian Friendship"  
(Irene, Marcella & Nuala Mc Cormack)



Parish Office: Opening Hours: Mon, Tues, & Wed 9.30am -12.30pm - Fri 11am – 2pm **CLOSED THURSDAY**  
Booking of Masses, Mass Cards, any query, just call, phone (064) 7761669 or  
email [rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie](mailto:rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie)

**SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES** Siobhan Carmody 087 9498347 (Gneeveguilla). Betty Moynihan (087) 6186091 Knocknagree  
Margaret McGrath 089 4182683 Rathmore, Stephanie Brosnan 087 9449288 Shrone.

**Adoration: Eucharistic** Adoration will resume in the Church of the Holy Rosary Gneeveguilla on this Tuesday Feb 4<sup>th</sup> at 10am. It will finish at 7pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> to facilitate the Novena in Knocknagree

**Divine Mercy:** The Divine Mercy will be celebrated in the Church of the Holy Rosary Gneeveguilla on this Friday Feb 7<sup>th</sup> @3pm

**Diocesan Collection:** The annual collection for the **Lourdes Helpers** will take place next weekend 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> February. Donations can be contributed online on the donate tab on the parish website [www.rathmoreparish.ie](http://www.rathmoreparish.ie) or drop into the Parish Office



**Our Lady of Lourdes Novena      Knocknagree Church**  
**Monday February 3<sup>rd</sup> to Tuesday February 11<sup>th</sup>**

Our Lady of Lourdes Novena commences in Knocknagree on this Monday February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Mass times during the Novena are listed below. During Novena days, people will have an opportunity to visit the church and light a candle or say a prayer at the specially erected sacred space in honour of the Novena. There will be 2 petition boxes, one where petitions can be read out while in the other box, the petitions will be placed there and not shared with the congregation. Feel free to place your petitions in the appropriate box. Rosary will be recited before Mass on each night of the Novena. It will commence at 7.45pm before 8pm Masses during the week and at 7.15pm on the Saturday night.

All are welcome to this Novena and we especially encourage people to feel free to come to the church during the daytime and experience many graces and blessing from Our Blessed Lady.

<b>Mon Feb 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	8.00p.m	Fr Bill Radley
<b>Tue Feb 4<sup>th</sup></b>	8.00p.m	Msgr Dan Herlihy
<b>Wed Feb 5<sup>th</sup></b>	8.00p.m	Fr Denis O Mahony
<b>Thur Feb 6<sup>th</sup></b>	8.00pm	Fr Tom Looney
<b>Fri Feb 7<sup>th</sup></b>	8.00p.m	Fr Pat O Donnell
<b>Sat Feb 8<sup>th</sup></b>	7.30p.m	Fr Joe Tarrant
<b>Sun Feb 9<sup>th</sup></b>	8.00pm	Prayer Service "Christian Friendship " ( Irene, Marcella & Nuala Mc Cormack )
<b>Mon Feb 10<sup>th</sup></b>	8.00p.m	Fr Pat O Donnell

**Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes Anointing of the Sick**

**Tues Feb 11<sup>th</sup>**      8.00p.m      Msgr Dan Herlihy & Fr Pat

**Commissioning of the Lay Pastoral Leaders**

**Sunday Feb 9<sup>th</sup> in St Mary's Cathedral, Killarney at 12 noon**

After two years of pastoral formation through the diocese and with Mary Immaculate College, Limerick, the pastoral leaders are ready to be sent forth to minister in their parish and pastoral area communities.

Each of them is looking forward to being available to work in an area of ministry in their local area. It is also hoped that they will become members of the Area Pastoral Council in their pastoral areas, contributing to the conversation around enabling pastoral ministry.

We congratulate our own **Nuala McCormack** of Knocknagree, on successfully completing this challenging programme, and we look forward to her wonderful ministry in the years ahead.

We would also encourage other parishioners to participate in the second training programme which will begin in September 2025. I know that Nuala will only be too happy to share her experience with those who may be considering becoming involved in lay ministry.

**St. Brigid's Cross:** Making a St. Brigid's cross is one of the traditional rituals in Ireland to celebrate the beginning of



early spring, 1st February. The crosses are made of rushes that are pulled rather than cut. They are hung by the door and in the rafters to protect the house from fire and evil. According to tradition a new cross is made each St Brigid's Day, and the old one is burned to keep fire from the house

St. Brigid died in AD 525 at the age of 75 and was buried in a tomb before the High Altar of her Abbey church. After some time, her remains were exhumed and transferred to Downpatrick to rest with the two other patron saints of Ireland, St. Patrick and St. Columcille

