

Fossa Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Committee offer “Céad Míle Fáilte” to all our visitors. We invite you to consider supporting the upkeep of our Christ, the Prince of Peace Church and grounds by means of our “Donate a Slate” campaign as outlined in the Porch. Míle buíochas.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest: Let us pray for the grace to live up to our baptism in our daily lives.

1. For the human family, that it may come to see itself as one family under God.
Lord, hear us.
2. For the sick and lonely: that Christ, who shared our humanity, may enflame their hearts with his love.
Lord, hear us.
3. For all Christians: that they may be faithful to the call to discipleship they received in Baptism.
Lord, hear us.
4. For our families: that the New Year may be a time of joy and blessing for all.
Lord, hear us.
5. For our departed relatives and friends, especially Paul Cronin, Cahir, Aghadoe, Eugene O’Sullivan, Crohane and Firies, and Noel Murphy, College Street, Killarney, that they may dwell in the presence of God forever.
Lord, hear us.
6. For our special needs.
Lord, hear us.

Priest: God of power and love, grant us in all our tasks your help, in all our doubts your guidance, in all our weaknesses your strength, in all our sorrows your consolation, and in all our dangers your protection. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

MASS IN THE CHURCH THIS WEEK

Tuesday	-	7.00pm
Friday	-	7.30pm
Saturday	<i>Vigil</i>	- 7.30pm
Sunday	-	10.00am

The Irish Catholic is available at the back of the church. Price €3.00

SECOND COLLECTION WEEKEND 13th /14th January is for the Needs of the Holy Land.

DETAILS OF TWO UPCOMING PROGRAMMES ON RTE:

RTÉ One broadcast on Monday 15 January at 9.30pm: *The last priests in Ireland*
The documentary will be followed by *Upfront with Katie Hannon*, which will host a live studio discussion.
RTÉ One broadcast on Monday 22 January at 9.30pm: *The last nuns in Ireland*
The role of religious in Ireland from the 12th century, and contemporary themes.

ALTAR SERVERS

There will be a meeting with new Altar Servers and their Parents on Tuesday 23rd Jan. at 7.30pm in the Church.

PARISH MASSES /ANNIVERSARIES

Daniel O’Carroll	- Sat 13th Jan 7.30pm
Tony Devine	- Sun 14th Jan 10.00am
David O’Connell	- Tues 16th Jan 7.00pm
Dermot O’Connell	- Fri 19th Jan 7.30pm
Elizabeth Foley	- Sat 20th Jan 7.30pm

DIOCESAN MISSION 2024

The diocesan mission, *Hope Alive!*, will take place from Sunday Jan 21st – Wednesday Jan 24th. Each day, you are invited to join in the Mission Talk, Prayer, Mass, Prayer Petition and Family Time. Speakers include Adi Roche, CEO of Chernobyl Children Ireland on Welcoming the Stranger. Dr Michael Conway teaches Faith and Culture at St Patrick’s College, Maynooth will speak on Church in Today’s World. Dr Keith Gaynor, clinical psychologist and parent will speak on Wellbeing, and Jane Mellett, Trócaire will speak on Seeds of Hope. To participate in the Mission, register through the diocesan website, www.dioceseofkerry.ie

Why I Wake Early (by Mary Oliver)

Hello, sun in my face.
Hello, you who make the morning and spread it over the fields
and into the faces of the tulips and the nodding morning glories,
and into the windows of, even, the miserable and crotchety-

best preacher that ever was, dear star, that just happens
to be where you are in the universe to keep us from ever-darkness,
to ease us with warm touching, to hold us in the great hands of light-
Good morning, good morning, good morning.

REFLECTION

Jesus the gentle lamb of God, died for our sins.
Ours were the sufferings that he bore,
ours the sorrows that he carried.
For we had all gone astray like sheep,
and God burdened him with the sins of all of us.
Though harshly treated, he bore it humbly,
never opening his mouth to complain.
Nor was there anyone to plead his cause.
Through his sufferings he has won pardon for all of us,
and through his wounds we are healed.

FINAL BLESSING

May the Lord keep you free from stumbling and your hearts from straying.
May the Lord deliver you from your sins so that you may walk in the joy and freedom of the children of God.
May the sufferings of Jesus, the Innocent Lamb of God, help you to bear your sufferings with patience and fortitude.

