

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 now bring our needs before God, who strengthens us when we are tempted, and lifts us up when we fall.

1. For the people of Ukraine that peace may reign in their land. Lord, hear us.
2. For political and civil leaders: that they may work for the common good with noble and generous hearts. Lord, hear us.
3. For those for whom fasting is a permanent condition due to poverty and hunger. Lord, hear us.
4. May the challenge of Lent inspire us to do something to feed the hungry and shelter the homeless poor. Lord, hear us.
5. For those who have died that the Lord may free them from the shadows of death. Lord, hear us.
6. For our own special needs. Lord, hear us.

**Priest:** God of mercy, look with compassion on us who are weak and prone to evil. Grant that enlightened by your word, we may have the strength to overcome all evil. We ask through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASS IN THE CHURCH THIS WEEK

Tuesday	-	7.00pm
Friday	-	7.30pm
Saturday	Vigil	7.30pm
Sunday	-	10.00am

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

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** Fossa Finance Committee thank you for your contribution of €1870.35 in support of our Parish for the last two weeks.

**The Lourdes Helpers** contribution was €224.24 Míle Buíochas.

**THE KNOCK AND LOURDES PILGRIMAGE** The dates for our Knock and Lourdes pilgrimages are :  
**Knock**, Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August.  
**Lourdes**, Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.  
This year we hope to have all elements of our **Lourdes Pilgrimage**: The assisted-pilgrims, a full team to care for them, youth from some Secondary Schools, and ordinary pilgrims.

**COFFEE MORNING** in aid of Killarney /South Kerry Branch of the **Irish Cancer Society**  
Friday 23rd February 2024 10.30am to 1pm Killarney Towers Hotel. Guest speakers.  
Everyone welcome.

PARISH MASSES /ANNIVERSARIES

Ann & Michael Murphy	- Sat 17th Feb 7.30pm
Donal Kissane	- Sun 18th Feb 10.00am
Paul Sweeney	- Tues 20th Feb 7.00pm
Colette Flynn	- Fri 23rd Feb 7.30pm
Michael Kelliher	- Sat 24th Feb 7.30pm
Tony McCarthy	- Sun 25th Feb 10.00am

**IN HIS PASTORAL LETTER:** Bishop Ray invites parishioners to participate in a consultation process as part of the diocesan planning process.  
Parish gatherings will be held in all parishes towards the end of February to facilitate this. Volunteers across the diocese have been trained to organise these gatherings. In consultation with the Parish Priest or Moderator, they will identify a date and venue for the gathering in the parish.  
**Link for training session for facilitators:** <https://youtu.be/aTby9RgEvCQ>

**THE DIOCESE OF KERRY WILL HOST A WEBINAR**, *First Holy Communion – Journeying with your Child*, on *Wednesday, Feb 21st*, for all parents and guardians of children preparing for First Communion. The guest speaker is Dr Patricia Kieran, parent and lecturer at Mary Immaculate College, Limerick. Register for the webinar on [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

TRÓCAIRE

- Trócaire is the overseas Development Agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland.
- Trócaire would like to say a big thank you for your continued support and generosity. Míle Buíochas.
- Trócaire invites us to make a donation through
- The Trócaire Box .
- Online at [trocaire.org](http://trocaire.org).

**Trócaire Boxes are available for collection at the back of the church.**

“As long as poverty, injustice and gross inequality exist in our world,  
none of us can truly rest.”  
(Nelson Mandela)

REFLECTION

Lent calls us to repentance.  
But if our repentance doesn’t involve a change of heart,  
it will not lead to a change of life.  
It will be like decapitating weeds  
while leaving their roots intact.  
But if we change our hearts,  
then our lives will also change.  
Lord, grant that enlightened by the word of God,  
and nourished by the food of the Eucharist,  
we may turn our hearts away from evil,  
and set them firmly on pleasing you.







