

Local Priest: Fr. Jim Lenihan, P.P.

<u>Parish Office</u>: St. Agatha's Parish Centre, Headford, Killarney. V93 X0C2. <u>Office Hours</u>: Mon/Tues 10am to 3pm to book Masses, Baptisms, Weddings.

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GBC Radio: 98.6fm for all Masses from Glenflesk Church.

Masses: Saturday 22nd to Sunday 30th November

St. Agatha's, Glenflesk:

Saturday 22nd 6.00pm Frank & Eileen Casey, Shroneaboy (Anni)
Saturday 29th 6.00pm Annual Mass for all those who have died during the year.

Our Lady of the Wayside, Clonkeen:

Sunday 23rd 9.30am Michael & Eileen Lucey, Cummeenavrick, their son Donal (Anni)

& Sr. Agatha Lucey (Rec Dec)

Wednesday 26th 9.30am Mass for the Holy Souls

Sunday 30th 9.30am Mass

Sacred Heart, Barraduff:

Sunday 23rd 11.00am Dermot Kelliher, Barraduff (Anni)

Tuesday 25th 7.30pm Mass for the Holy Souls

Sunday 30th 11.00am Mass

PRIEST ON DUTY THIS WEEKEND: Fr. Joe Begley 087 6501998.

PRIEST ON DUTY WEEKDAYS: Monday Fr. Kieran O'Brien 087 6501998

Tuesday to Friday Fr. Jim Lenihan 087 1081588

NOTICES

COLLECTIONS: Offertory: €1,490. Thank you.

ADORATION: Every Monday in the Sacred Heart Church from 10 am to 1 p.m.

St. Agathas 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Our Lady of the Wayside 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

PRAYERS & SYMATHY: To the family of Denis Kelly, Killarney who died during the week (bother of Anne Cronin (Kellly), Knockanes). May Denis rest in peace.

MALE CHOIR: Calling all males from 18 to 100. We are reviving the male choir for Christmas 2025!!! We will start with rehearsals on Tuesday 25th November, at

8pm in the Parish Centre. If interested contact Paud on 087 2586448.

<u>GLENFLESK PARISH BAZAAR 2025</u>: this Sunday 23rd Nov at 3pm in Glenflesk Parish Hall. See poster on Church Notice Board for more details. All welcome.

<u>PARISH OFFICE</u>: Please note that the parish office phone line may be offline on Tuesday 25th during the scheduled power outage in the area but the office is open and you can contact the parish mobile on 087 108 1588.

NOVEMBER MASS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE YEAR:

Will be celebrated on Saturday, 29th November at 6.00pm in St. Agatha's Church, Glenflesk, in memory of all those whose funeral Masses were celebrated in our parish during the past year. We also warmly invite parishioners to submit the names of loved ones who have died during the year but whose funerals took place outside the parish. Please give names to Jackie in the Parish Office by Monday, 24th November.

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING: Prayers to honour the Feast of Christ the King will take place this Sunday, 23rd at 3pm, at the Christ the King statue in Killarney.

Followed by adoration from 4pm to 6pm in the Church of the Resurrection.

THE GLENFLESK CEOLTAS CHRISTMAS CONCERT: is taking place on Sunday, 30th November at 3pm in Glenflesk GAA Hall. Please come support some of Glenflesks youngest stars as well as some seasoned performers as they take the stage for a wonderful afternoons entertainment. All welcome.

<u>LORD OF ALL NATIONS:</u> Mass celebrating all Nations in the Community on Sunday 30th November in St. John's Church, Castle Street, Tralee at 12noon. All welcome.

KNOCKANES NS will be holding their Annual Church Gate collection at all Parish Masses on Nov 29th & 30th. Any support would be greatly appreciated.

MS SOUTH KERRY BRANCH FUNDRAISER presents Carols from the Cathedral by the Kerry Concert Choir on Sunday November 30th at 7.30pm. Tickets €20 at door.

A NOTE FROM FR. JIM.....

During the week I read a headline stating "that the UK's highest court has ruled Christian-focused religious education in Northern Ireland schools unlawful because it is not "objective, critical or pluralist." I can't help feeling our own ruling class may soon follow the same path. Whether teaching religion in schools benefits society is a debate worth having, but it is striking that this shift is happening exactly 100 years after Pope Pius XI published his encyclical called Quas primas meaning the 'the First things' (Dec. 11, 1925), establishing the Feast of Christ the King. He wrote: "The evil present in the world is due to the fact that the majority of people have thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law out of their lives. As long as individuals and States refused to submit to the rule of our Saviour, there would be no real hope of lasting peace." Pope Pius XI saw firsthand what was happening: the Bolsheviks taking power in Russia (1917), the Fascists in Italy (1922), and the rise of the Nazis in Germany—culminating in Hitler becoming Führer in 1934. All were openly hostile to religion. And it wasn't only Europe. In Mexico, President Plutarco Elías Calles imposed fiercely anti-Catholic laws, closing churches in 1926 and turning every priest into a hunted criminal. Whether or not we ever have a healthy debate about religion in schools (and I'm not optimistic), I do believe there should be room for both secular schools and schools with a religious ethos. If history repeats itself—and it usually does—those in power may again show zero tolerance for faith. As Bob Dylan once sung: "You're gonna have to serve somebody. Well, it may be the devil or it may be the Lord, But you're gonna have to serve somebody." May the people who follow us see the wisdom of serving Christ as King and take a quick look at the society's who didn't.