



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

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

Masses: Saturday 18th to Sunday 26th July

St. Agatha's, Glenflesk:

Saturday 18th 6.00pm Neilie, Joanie & Bruddy O'Connell,
Station Road, Headford.
Noel Lucey, Curraglass.

Saturday 25th 6.00pm Mass

Our Lady of the Wayside, Clonkeen:

Sunday 19th 9.30am Mass

Sunday 26th 9.30am Mass

Sacred Heart, Barraduff:

Sunday 19th 11.00am John Leader, Killarney.
Con Griffin, Killorglin (Rec Dec)

Sunday 26th 11.00am Mass

PRIEST ON DUTY THIS WEEKEND: Fr. Pat O'Donnell 087 6501998

PRIEST ON DUTY WEEKDAYS: Monday Fr. Pat O'Donnell 087 6501998

Tuesday to Friday Fr. Jim Lenihan 087 1081588

NOTICES:

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.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: Couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year are warmly invited to renew their marriage vows at the **6.00pm Vigil Mass** in St. Agatha's Church, Glenflesk, on **Saturday 1st August**. If you would like to be included please contact the parish office asap.

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY at Knock Shrine 26th July. Speaker. Archbishop Eamon Martin. Theme " I will never forget you" If unable to attend this event can be viewed online at Knock Shrine live @3pm.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL: 13th - 16th August: - Calling all young people aged 16-35! Join us at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare. This is a donation-only event, with free buses available across the country and all meals included. Expect inspiring talks and workshops, Youth Mass, music, & prayer. To register visit youth2000.ie or follow @Youth2000Ireland." or see the Church Notice Boards for more details.

KERRY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: Saturday August 22nd, 2026. Bus leaving Glenflesk Church at 7am. Contact 087 2547361 for more information.

TU ST ANGELAS COLLEGE, SLIGO: Is inviting applications for the following programme beginning Autumn 2026 Part-Time Certificate in Religious Education for Primary School with Online Delivery. The programme is open to: Qualified primary school teachers; Qualified post-primary school teachers who wish to transfer to primary school teaching. Parents, sacramental preparation teams, and parish catechists with a specific interest in the area may also apply. Closing date for Applications is Friday, 14th August 2026. For further information contact Mary Kearns, Senior Administrator, Education Department, ATU St Angelas, Louth Gill, Sligo. E.mary.kearns@atu.ie Or visit Website: www.atu.ie

BALLYMAC VINTAGE CLUB: Are holding a classic car & Honda 50 run on Sunday 2nd August starting 11am at O'Riada's Bar V92 RF2X. All vehicles welcome. Proceeds go towards St. John of God, Oilean Beo Castleisland and Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Details from 087 281 4845 or 087 698 9878 or see Church Notice Boards.

A NOTE FROM FR. JIM.....

One of the greatest mistakes we can make is to divide the world into "good people" and "bad people." The Russian writer Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, who spent years imprisoned in Soviet labour camps, wrote these unforgettable words: **"The line dividing good and evil cuts through the heart of every human being."** Every one of us is capable of generosity and selfishness, kindness and cruelty, forgiveness and resentment. There is wheat and there are weeds in every human heart. The film *Schindler's List* illustrates this beautifully. Oskar Schindler was a member of the Nazi Party, a businessman who initially exploited Jewish workers for profit and was frequently unfaithful to his wife. Yet as the horrors of the Holocaust unfolded, something changed within him. At enormous personal risk, he used his fortune and influence to save more than 1,300 Jewish men, women and children from certain death. Was he a good man or a bad man? The answer is not so simple. The same complexity appears in the movie *American Gangster*. Frank Lucas played by Denzel Washington is devoted to his family, generous to the poor and faithful in accompanying his mother to church, yet he builds his fortune by flooding communities with heroin. Detective Richie Roberts played by Russell Crowe is a man of remarkable integrity who refuses corruption, yet his marriage and family life fall apart because of his infidelities. Both men remind us that human beings cannot be reduced to simple labels. That is why Jesus tells us not to rush in and pull up the weeds. We see actions; God sees hearts. We know only a chapter of a person's story; God knows the whole book. The thread running through all three parables this Sunday is **wait**. The mustard seed needs time to grow. The yeast needs time to transform the dough. The wheat and the weeds must remain together until the harvest. God's waiting is not weakness—it is mercy. He gives sinners time to repent, hearts time to change, and grace time to bear fruit. Before asking why God has not judged others, perhaps we should thank Him for not judging us too quickly. His patience is our opportunity. Let us use our time well. Not looking at the weeds in others but focus rather in eradicating the weeds in our own lives to help strengthen the wheat within us, so that when the harvest comes, we may be gathered into His Kingdom and be granted eternal life.