



Local Priest: Fr. Jim Lenihan, P.P. **PARISH OFFICE:** Closed Monday 26th Oct.
Parish Office: St. Agatha's Parish Centre, Headford, Killarney. V93 X0C2.
Office Hours : 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 24th Oct to Sunday 1st Nov.

St. Agatha's, Glenflesk:

Saturday 24th	6.00pm	Gillian Noonan, Carrigrohane, Cork (Anni)
Wednesday 28th	9.30am	Mass for the people of the parish.
Friday 30th	7.30pm	Con & Sheila Lynch, Brewsterfield & their sons Jerome & Niall & their daughter-in-law Carmel.

Saturday 31st	6.00pm	Mass
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Our Lady of the Wayside, Clonkeen:

Sunday 25th	9.30am	Jeremiah & Mary Brosnan, Knockanimirish.
Sunday 1st	9.30am	Mass

Sacred Heart, Barraduff:

Sunday 25th	11.00am	Mass
Thursday 29th	9.30am	Mass
Sunday 1st	11.00am	Dan Joe & Sr. Mary Mullane & deceased family members, Cornhill.

PRIEST ON DUTY THIS WEEKEND: Fr. Pádraig Kennelly 083 3541877

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

Tuesday to Friday Fr. Jim Lenihan 087 1081588

NOTICES:

ADORATION: No adoration on Bank Holiday Monday 26th October.

NOVEMBER MASS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE YEAR:

A special Mass will be celebrated on **Saturday, 14th 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 (November 2025 - November 2026). 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. These names will be included and remembered at our Annual Mass for the Dead. Please give names to Jackie in the Parish Office by Friday 6th November.

RECOVERY HAVEN: FREE 6-WEEK ONLINE COURSE: Building Better Caregivers. Starts Monday, 2nd November 10:30 am - 1:00 pm. For more information, call 066 7192122.

NOVEMBER MASS: You, your families and loved ones are invited to the annual November Mass for all those who have died within the hospital over the past year, including those who have died in Palliative Care Services, Maternity Services, the relatives of hospital staff, and former staff members of University Hospital Kerry. The Mass for the Dead will be celebrated on Monday 2nd November @ 7pm in St John's Church, Castle Street, Tralee. The Mass will also be live streamed for those unable to attend in person www.churchservices.tv/tralee or www.stjohns.ie

FIRST SATURDAY CONFERENCE: will be held in Knock on Saturday 28th November 2026. 10am to 5pm approx. Those in the line up for the day Geraldine O'Donnell - A parish testimony. Fr. Patrick Cahill. Fr. Leon. Fr. Marius O'Reilly. Fr. James Devine celebrates Holy Mass. Fr. Jamie Twohig and finally Fr. John Keane will conduct a Eucharistic Healing hour. Ring Kate 087 6884124 for info.

LECTURE: "Séamus Murphy, Sculptor (1907-1975): Commemorating our patriots and writers in stone and bronze", given by Dr. Jim O'Malley in Killarney Library on Tues 27th Oct at 7pm. This Kerry Arch & Hist Society lecture traces the life and creations of this famed Cork man responsible for Killarney's An Spéirbhean, Ballyvourney's St. Gobnait and Blasket writers, Dunquin. Fáilte roimh cách.

A NOTE FROM FR. JIM.....

In this Sunday's Gospel (Matthew 22:34-40), Jesus gives us the two greatest commandments: love God with all your heart, soul and mind, and love your neighbour as yourself. Jesus brings together two commandments from different parts of the Old Testament and makes them inseparable. But notice the order. Love of God comes first. Why is that so important? St Pope John Paul II lived through the horrors of Nazism and Communism. He witnessed what happens when human beings are stripped of their dignity and treated as objects rather than persons. In his encyclical Evangelium Vitae, he warned that when we lose our sense of God, we risk losing our sense of the human person. When we forget that every human being is created in God's image and likeness, we begin to measure people by their usefulness or convenience rather than their inherent dignity. I heard something recently that really struck me: "There was a time when we used things and loved people. Today, unfortunately, we seem to love things and use people." This is a real danger in our increasingly secular society, where the unborn, the elderly and the vulnerable can be regarded as burdens rather than precious human beings. Human dignity is not bestowed by the State or earned through achievement. It comes from God. This is why Jesus places love of God first. When we recognise God as our Father, we begin to recognise every human being as our brother or sister. When we forget God, we risk forgetting what it means to be human. May we as a nation realise the consequences of removing God from our lives. We just simply don't remove God but we remove the innate dignity of every human person.