

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. <u>Email</u>: glenflesk@dioceseofkerry.ie **Phone**: 064 7754008 **Mobile**: 087 108 1588.

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

Masses: Saturday 7th to Sunday 15th Sept

St. Agatha's, Glenflesk:

Saturday 7th 6.00pm Jerome McCarthy & his parents John &

Joan, Gortacoosh (Anni)

Celebration of 103rd birthday of the Legion

of Mary.

Saturday 14th 6.00pm Frank Moran, Killaha & I/o Castlecove (Anni)

Our Lady of the Wayside, Clonkeen:

Sunday 8th 9.30am Mass

Sunday 15th 9.30am Nellie Doyle, Old Forge, Ironmills

(Months Mind)

Sacred Heart, Barraduff:

Sunday 8th 11.00am John M O'Sullivan, Upper Barraduff (Anni)
Wednesday 11th 9.30am Mass for the people of the Parish
Friday 13th 7.30pm Dan O'Donoghue, Lisbabe (1st Anni)
Sunday 15th 11.00am Dan & Kathy Culloty, Annaghmore, Headford & deceased family members.

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: €1,300. Thank you.

DIOCESAN COLLECTION: this weekend 7th/8th for Diocesan Needs.

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.

<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>: We are recruiting more altar servers at present. Maybe your young person would like to give it a try? Forms available in the 4 schools and also from Glenflesk sacristy and Patricia 087 9048659. Children who are in schools outside the parish and would like to serve. Contact Patricia. We will have some training in the next few weeks and children will serve on a rota basis every 4 weeks approx.

PARISH OFFICE: will be closed on 16th & 17th September for annual leave.

<u>CATHOLIC CATECHISM PROGRAM:</u> called Metanoia. Is a ten week video presentation program that calls viewers deeper into the mysteries of God through conversion. Cup of tea and conversation about our faith afterwards. Cost: donation box at the door. Venue: Barraduff Community Hub, Eircode is V93 WF6F. Day: Sunday, Time: Rosary 7pm. Beginning: Sunday September 15th. Everyone welcome. Interested in attending please text your name and number to 087 1081588 or give your name to any of our parish sacristans.

<u>OUR LADY OF FATIMA</u>: Why not join us in reciting the rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, singing and sending blessings on the whole of Kerry and the world. This Friday the 13th at 3 p.m. on Main St, Killarney opposite the Clock. We would love to meet you there.

<u>ANNUAL LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE</u>: on Sunday 29th September. Bus leaves the Park Rd, Killarney at 6.30 a.m. Farranfore 7 a.m. Castleisland 7.20 a.m. Contact Pat Breen 0868510423.

A NOTE FROM FR. JIM....

At the end of July this year I had a really bad summer flu that lasted about 3 weeks, I lost my hearing as well as my taste and my ability to smell. I must say it was quite inhibiting and I was pretty concerned that they might never return. But what really stuck me was how I totally take these wonderful gifts and blessings for granted. It's so true that we only appreciate something when we lose it. In today's Gospel we see Jesus taking a deaf and dumb man to one side in privacy to free him of his inflictions. Jesus insists that he tells no one about his healing. Tell no one?!!! The man just explodes with joy and excitement and wants to tell the whole world his amazing news. A similar reaction was seen sometime ago where a 25-year-old deaf woman who, thanks to a new electronic implant, was hearing for the first time (a symphony), she cried, she laughed, she threw her hands in the air at the marvel, she jumped up and down with excited amazement to the extent that her attached wires would allow her, she was intent on hearing every sound, and she looked gratefully and tearfully at her doctors. The word 'Ephphatha', 'be opened' in todays Gospel was also mentioned at your baptism as the priest blessed your mouth and ears, praying that one day that you'll hear the Good News of your salvation with your ears and with your mouth proclaim it with joy and excitement from the rooftops. Has that happened for you yet? If we only knew the incredible faculties we received at baptism and realise the immense privilege we have to be called children of God and have been blessed with a pathway to heaven. Our ability to hear and speak and even to taste and smell are great gifts that we take for granted and to lose them would be a devastating blow, but they'd be no loss at all in comparison to the magnificent gift of God's love which brings an indescribable joy of being saved for eternity and an unspeakable loss of losing our soul.