

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 pray for the grace to live up to our baptism in our daily lives.

1. For the human family, that it may come to see itself as one family under God.
Lord, hear us.
2. For the sick and lonely: that Christ, who shared our humanity, may enflame their hearts with his love.
Lord, hear us.
3. For all Christians: that they may be faithful to the call to discipleship they received in Baptism.
Lord, hear us.
4. For our families: that the New Year may be a time of joy and blessing for all.
Lord, hear us.
5. For our departed relatives and friends, especially Marion Kennelly (nee Kennedy), Castleisland and Hannah Mai O’Connell, (nee Lucey), Knocknagree, Co. Cork, that they may dwell in the presence of God forever.
Lord, hear us.
6. For our special needs.
Lord, hear us.

Priest: God of power and love, grant us in all our tasks your help, in all our doubts your guidance, in all our weaknesses your strength, in all our sorrows your consolation, and in all our dangers your protection. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASS IN THE CHURCH THIS WEEK

Tuesday	-	7.00pm
Friday	-	7.30pm
Saturday	<i>Vigil</i>	- 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 €1,241.58 in support of our Parish for the last two weeks. *Míle Buíochas.*

SECOND COLLECTION this weekend 18th/19th January for **The Needs of the Holy Land.**

PRAY GUÍGH

Unsettle me, Lord,
Unsettle my preconceived ideas and notions
and disrupt my presumptions and assumptions.
Unsettle me, Lord
that I might hear your Good News afresh,
and respond with love and care for others,
hungry, thirsty, outsider, naked, sick and imprisoned.

PARISH MASSES /ANNIVERSARIES

Elizabeth Foley	- Sat 18th Jan 7.30pm
John, Margaret & Jimmy O’Sullivan	- Sun 19th Jan 10.00am
Eileen O’Connor	- Sat 25th Jan 7.30pm
Dermot O’Connell	- Sun 26th Jan 10.00am

DIOCESAN MISSION 2025

The diocesan mission, *Pilgrims of Hope*, will take place from Sunday Jan 19th – Wednesday Jan 22nd. Each day, you are invited to join in the Mission Talk, Prayer, Mass, Video Reflection, Prayer Petition and Family Time. Speakers include Br Richard Hendrick, Caoimhe de Barra, David Wells and Martina Lehane Sheehan. To participate in the Mission, register through the diocesan website, www.dioceseofkerry.ie

Why I Wake Early (by Mary Oliver)

Hello, sun in my face.
Hello, you who make the morning and spread it over the fields
and into the faces of the tulips and the nodding morning glories,
and into the windows of, even, the miserable and crotchety-

best preacher that ever was, dear star, that just happens
to be where you are in the universe to keep us from ever-darkness,
to ease us with warm touching, to hold us in the great hands of light-
Good morning, good morning, good morning.

REFLECTION

Jesus the gentle lamb of God, died for our sins.
Ours were the sufferings that he bore,
ours the sorrows that he carried.
For we had all gone astray like sheep,
and God burdened him with the sins of all of us.
Though harshly treated, he bore it humbly,
never opening his mouth to complain.
Nor was there anyone to plead his cause.
Through his sufferings he has won pardon for all of us,
and through his wounds we are healed.

FINAL BLESSING

May the Lord keep you free from stumbling and your hearts from straying.
May the Lord deliver you from your sins so that you may walk in the joy and freedom of the children of God.
May the sufferings of Jesus, the Innocent Lamb of God, help you to bear your sufferings with patience and fortitude.

