

**MOUNTAINY KENNEDYS MAILING LIST 27**  
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After over 350 years the memories of the Mountainy Kennedys of their descent from “The Lords of Ormond” had faded. The lines of descent of the Kennedys who went into the mountains rather than transplant to Connacht have now provided historical reference points. Through the contributions of many individuals to gathering and sharing information, the story of the Mountainy Kennedys is emerging from the obscurity of hundreds of years.

**THE IRISH KENNEDYS NOW ON FACEBOOK**

This mailing list will continue to come out monthly and will be sent to all recipients by email. In addition, Sean has now put us onto Facebook. This will allow for a continual update of Irish Kennedy news, information and contact in a format that is familiar to many. Find us at:

<https://www.facebook.com/theirishkennedysbooks>

If you are on Facebook and would click on “Like” on this page it would be appreciated.

**2014 KENNEDY GATHERING AND INAUGURATION OF KENNEDY CHIEF**

Considerable interest is now building up for the activities planned for early July.

The 2014 Kennedy Gathering is programmed as follows:

Date:           **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July**  
Time:           8:00 pm  
Venue:          Anglesey Lounge,  
                  Rody Kennedy’s Bar & Shop,  
                  Rearcross  
                  County Tipperary

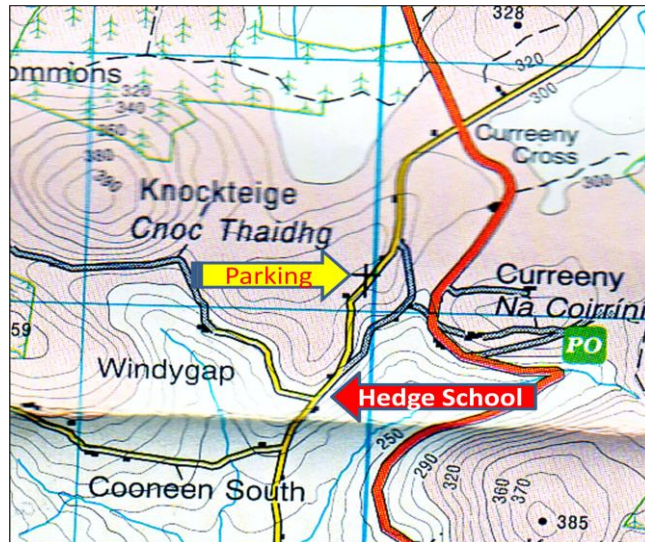
**Prior to the Gathering the Inauguration of the O’Kennedy chief will take place at 5pm.** The Curreeny Hedge School site will be available to use for this purpose. Thank you very much to John Ryan, the head of the school committee, for approving this. Attendees will then adjourn to the Anglesey Lounge at Rearcross for a celebration and food in conjunction with the Gathering.

By popular approval, Rody Kennedy of Rearcross, the Interim Honorary Kennedy Chief, will be confirmed in this position at the Inauguration.



Rody Kennedy

The ancient Irish process for the inauguration of a chief requires that it is held in a remarkable place that overlooks the territory. The map below shows the location of the hedge school which is situated between Dolla and Kilcommon in Tipperary. It is on an elevated site overlooking Windygap.



There is no car parking available at the site itself as the Google Earth image below shows. Parking is available opposite the church which is about 500m further up the hill. Those who would like to attend but are unable to make the walk can be dropped off at the hedge school site by car and the car can then be driven up to the church and parked.



People from Australia, UK and USA plan to join Kennedy descendants, relatives and well-wishers from far and wide for the Inauguration and Gathering celebrations. We look forward to seeing you there.

By the way – does anyone know of an Irish piper who may be available to play at the inauguration?

### **MALE KENNEDY FIRST NAMES**

We have now completed the listing of the major Kennedy first names listed in the baptism registers for the parishes of Kilcommon, Kilmore, Newport, Templeberry and Upperchurch. It now remains for us to list the less common first names for these parishes.

Names such as Darby and Derby appeared relatively early in the registers but did not endure. We have previously indicated that Matheson provided a reference in 1901 that indicated that Irish equivalents for English names included “Jeremiah or Darby, Dermot, Diarmid, Diarmud”.

Other uncommon names seem to be confined to particular areas or families. This could be an indication that they entered the family through the mother’s side. The name Bartholomew, abbreviated as Bat, Bart or Bartholw, was given to the second son of Patrick Kennedy of Toureenbrien who was born in 1771. He appears to have been named after his mother’s father. More research would be needed to confirm this assumption.

Date of Baptism	Surname	First Name	Parents	Witnesses
1846.04.05	Kennedy	Abraham	Michael Mgt. Harrington	John Ryan Cath Ryan
1885.11.19	Kennedy	Abraham	John Mgt. Gleeson Shanbally	Danl. Ryan Norah Ryan
1813.03.02	Kennedy	Augustin	John Nance Ryan	Aug. Toohey Mary Dougan
1827.01.21	Kennedy	Bart.	Matt N.R. Campbell Gortnaskehy	Matt Kennedy Mary Kennedy
1851.05.27	Kennedy	Barth	John Bridget Kelly Tooreenbrien	William Caples Ellen Kennedy
1881.05.06	Kennedy	Bart	Bartholomeu Ellen Quigley Reabeg	Thomas Caplis Johanna Caplis
1889.05.14	Kennedy	Bernard	Bryan Mgt. Maher Ballincara	John Cormack Kate Bourke
1832.09.04	Kennedy	Chas.	Lanc. Ann Ryan Newport	Ml. Kennedy Ellon Kennedy
1851.07.06	Kennedy	Charles	Patrick Mgt. Kennedy	James Gleeson Ellen Quin
1853.05.17	Kennedy	Chas	John Mary Ryan Knockfune	Pat McNamara Bgt. Carmody
1857.01.27	Kennedy	Chas.	John Mary Ryan Knockfinn	Ml. Egan Mgt. Kennedy
1888.01.16	Kennedy	Chas.	Matt. Hon. Ryan Knockfune	Jerm Kennedy Susan Kennedy
1892.12.03	Kennedy	Charles	Thos Margt McCarthy	Patk Kennedy Mary Feehan
1815.01.19	Kennedy	Christopher	Mick (Labourer) Kate Hartigan	John Sheedy Peg Maley
1871.02.25	Kennedy	Chris.	Philip Kate. Cullin	Jas. Bercary Eliza Cullen
1820.09.28	Kennedy	Derby	Brien (Servant) Jane Blake Knockfin	Biddy Marnane
1820.12.10	Kennedy	Darby	Michael Mary Ryan Cummerhunt	Bryan Kennedy Johanna Ryan
1822.02.27	Kennedy	Darby	Jno. Mary Horan	John Kelly Hanna McKeogh
1824.01.16	Kennedy	Darby	Patrick Mary Crowe Cummer	John Crowe Mary Kennedy
1856.06.22	Kennedy	Darby	Ml. McKeogh Biddy Kennedy Garden Hill	Biddy Kennedy
1880.07.29	Kennedy	Garret	Thos. Mary Murphy Hollyhill	Rody Kennedy Mgt. Murphy
1816.03.10	Kennedy	George	Ml. (Weaver) Mary Dohony Freagh	Mt. Foley Bgt. Ryan
1848.04.01	Kennedy	Gerry	Rody Jude Griffin	Phil Kennedy Julian Griffin
1874.02.10	Kennedy	Gerry	Gerry Bgt. Ryan Gurtngoona	James Ryan Mary Ryan
1907.08.29	Kennedy	Gerard	Thomas Helena Ryan Happygrove	Patk. Ryan Mary Ryan
1827.03.27	Kennedy	Gregory	Jno. Quinn Peg Kennedy	Nelly Ryan
1837.05.26	Kennedy	Harry	James Mary Gleeson	---- Bgt Corcoran
1865.01.29	Kennedy	Henry	Daniel Eliza Molloy Debsboro	Pierce Grace Cath Ryan
1800.08.18	Kennedy	Humprey	Con. Cath. Rourke	Ml. Magrath Cath. Kennedy
1800.04.20	Kennedy	Jacob	Wm. Bgt. Meehan	Thos. Kennedy Bgt. Ryan
1874.02.24	Kennedy	Jos	Patk Joh Kennedy	Michl Kennedy Eliza Griffin
1905.04.05	Kennedy	Joseph	Michael Margaret Hogan Shanballyard	Wm. Tierney Wfd. Donoghue
1847.02.26	Kennedy	Lanty	Martin Margaret Ryan Curreeny	John Kennedy Margaret Adams
1866.03.21	Kennedy	Launcelott	Stephen Bgt Brien Cranahurt	Launcelott Brien Mary Cuddihy
1803.02.14	Kennedy	Mal.	Thos. Maria Kilmartin	Denis Kennedy Maria Carey
1813.03.16	Kennedy	Mal.	Hugh (Farmer) Mary Ryan Ballymackeogh	Pat Ahern Bgt. Ryan
1814.05.15	Kennedy	Mal.	Hugh (Farmer) Mary Ryan Ballymackeogh	Mick Burke Mary Mullen
1852.07.21	Kennedy	Malachy	John Mgt. Magrath Newport	Anne Connell

1877.04.15	Kennedy	Malachy	Michael Johanna Ryan Foinacanony	Timothy Ryan Honora Ryan
1816.08.07	Kennedy	Morgan	James Elizabeth Meara Foinacanony	Bryan Kennedy Margt. McDonald
1824.03.10	Kennedy	Nicholas	Philip Johanna Nolan Knocknabansha	Daniel Nolan Margaret Wade
1845.01.06	Kennedy	Nich.	Thos Norry Humphries Knockfune	John Humphries Anne Humphries
1845.04.04	Kennedy	Nicholas	Timothy May Ryan Lahid	Dani. Ryan Nancy Kennedy
1856.10.07	Kennedy	Nicholas	Tim Cath Gleeson Lahid	Wm Kennedy Ellen Kennedy
1885.09.26	Kennedy	Nicholas	Denis Ellen Kennedy Lahad	Edw Kennedy Wfd Harrington
1893.02.02	Kennedy	Nicholas	Denis Helena Kennedy Lahid	Ml Clifford Mgt Kennedy
1887.07.29	Kennedy	Richd J	Thos Mgt McCarthy	Hugh Ryan Margt Feehan
1884.05.27	Kennedy	Samuel	Patrick Maria Young Foiduff	John Ryan Hannah Ryan
1863.12.NR	Kennedy	Ulick	Patk. Mary Madden	Wm. Teefy Anne Flannery

## **THE MOUNTAINY KENNEDYS – VOLUME 2 – LINKING PAST AND PRESENT**

An extended process of gathering and collating information and preparing it for printing culminated yesterday in the delivery of the first few completed books from the printers. The finished article is an outstanding tribute to the combined contributions of many people. Whether it was a few words recorded after a short conversation, a handwritten contribution, a photograph, a short email or an extensive document, thank you to everyone. This is a demonstration that research into the Kennedys is continuing unabated. Their history will not go unrecorded.

It is planned to launch “The Mountainy Kennedys – Volume 2 – Linking Past and Present” at the Kennedy Gathering at Rearcross on July 6th.

## **IRISH AMERICA MAGAZINE ARTICLE**

Patricia Harty, Co-founder and Editor in Chief of Irish America Magazine, ( [www.irishamerica.com](http://www.irishamerica.com) ) whom I met in Ireland last year, invited me to contribute an article outlining my book “John F Kennedy’s Irish O’Kennedy Ancestors”. This article appears in the current edition of Irish America and can be seen online at:

<http://irishamerica.com/2014/03/clan-kennedy-of-presidents-and-kings/>

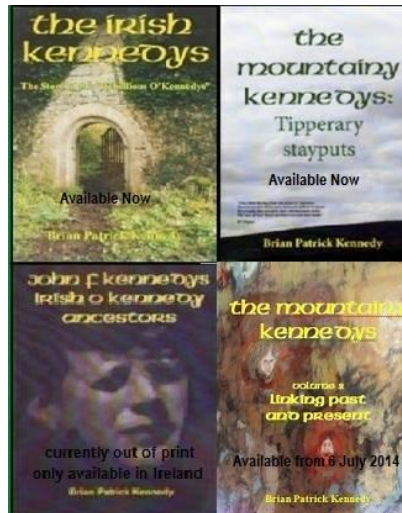
Now in its 48<sup>th</sup> volume, Irish America Magazine has proven its long-term dedication to its motto “Mortas Cine” (Pride in our Heritage). Patricia herself is a native of North Tipperary.

## **BOOKS**

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Note: Booksellers in various countries use pictures copied from the website to advertise books that they do not have in stock. We have amended the website pictures as a consequence.

Copies of “The Mountainy Kennedys” and “The Irish Kennedys” can be obtained from the website at: <http://home.onthenet.com.au/~laurieag/index.htm>

***Thank you to all of those people who have bought books over the years. The returns have gone some way towards defraying the expense of having them printed and distributed.***

Your contributions to the Mountainy Kennedys mailing list are most welcome. Please keep them rolling in.

Brian