## **Anniversaries**

Thomas Ahern, Ballygarvan West. Evelyn Ahern, Ballygarvan West. Peter O'Neill, Goggins Hill. Gerard Fehily, Tulligbeg. Des Deasy, Lisfehill. Helena Walsh, Knocklucy. Paddy Connolly, Tulligmore. Kevin O'Sullivan, Shanagraigue. Margaret Hartnett, Crookstown. Michael O'Donovan, Coolatooder. Donie Murphy, Ballyhooleen & **Turners Cross** 

## We Remember

Hanora Fitzgerald, Crosshaven and Ballymartle who died during the week. We pray for her family, neighbours and friends.

## **Stations Already Held**

Bawnleigh/Farlistown/Scart: & Ballynaloughy: In the home of Mairead Deasy on September 9th.

## **Do This In Memory**

A Parish & School based Programme for First Eucharist (First Holy Communion) 2016/2017.

#### Programme of Masses for 2016/2017

September 24th/25th -Enrolment Sunday November 19th/20th, 2016 December 10th/11th, 2016 February 11th/12th, 2017 April 8th/9th, 2017 April 29th/30th, 2017

### MASS TIMES Next Week:-

Monday 19th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Tuesday 20th:-

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 22nd:-

Ballyheada

Saturday 24th:- Vigil

Ballyheada 7.00pm

10,00am

Sunday 25th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am 11.30am Goggins Hill

## Station

Ballinphelic/Knockpoge:-Friday September 23rd at **8.00**pm in the home of Brian and Verona Fenton.

## Stations Autumn 2016

If anybody in the following areas would like to host the Autumn 2016 station in their home please contact the: -P.A.N. Centre (Parish Office) at 4885062 to arrange a date:-

Ballinaboy/Knocklucy/Raheen/Rathroe; Ballygarvan Upper; Ballygarvan Lower; Ballyhooleen Upper; Ballyhooleen Lower; Coolatooder;

Ballyheada/Skehanagh/Rigsdale Upper; Ballynagrumoolia/Briar Hill; Ballyleigh/Old Abbey;

Goggins Hill: Corran: Killaminoge:

Adamstown Lower.

#### 2016 Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday by Mary O'Halloran (4885062,4885257) Mary O'Donovan (4888268), PAN Centre/Parish Office (phone/fax 4885062) info@ballinhassigparish.com www.ballinhassigparish.com

Parish Priest: - Fr. Christy Fitzgerald Telephone: 4885104 or 087/9439666

# **Ballinhassig Parish**



## Newsletter



for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

Vol. 25 No. 2 Sunday: September 18th, 2016 (Twenty Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time)

Fr. Christy writes...

## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Reflection

### **CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT**

St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa), truly a saint for our time, knew the Word of God deep in her heart. She knew that it wasnt enough to just say her prayers, being a believer demanded far more. She challenged the culture of her world in India and she put her faith into practice. For her, the poor were those she encountered each day on the streets of Calcutta.

The scriptures this weekend remind us of another prohet, the prophet Amos. He too, was a champion of the poor and he challenged those who made profit on the backs of the poor.

He didn't care whether people liked what he had to say or not. We, each and everyone of us, as believers, are stewards. We too, need to be aware that we can too easily be 'children of the world' instead of being 'children of the light'.

We are 'children of the light' when we are prudent in the choices we make. When we take full responsibility for the gifts of this world and how we use them.

The world around us and its people are part of the responsibility we all have to bear. We are gifted by God and we are meant to use all those gifts and talents for the greater good. Sometimes like the prophet Amos, like St. Teresa we mightn't be the most popular for what we say and do, but then, isnt it better and more pleasing to God to be 'children of the light'.

God our Saviour, you call us into your service. Make us wise and resourceful: children of the light who contuniue your work in this world with untiring concern for integrity and justice. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Gougane Barra Sunday Year of Mercy Sunday September 25th, 2016

The feast day of St. Finbarr, Patron Saint of the Diocese of Cork is celebrated on **September 25th**. Each year pilgrims gather on the Sunday after the 25th to honour St. Finbarr and ask for his blessing.

This year pilgrims will gather on the feast day, **September 25th to celebrate** 'Gougane Sunday'

- \*\*\* Rosary in the Oratory at 2.00pm
- \*\*\* Concelebrated Mass will begin at **2.30pm**. Cardinal Seán Brady, Archbishop Emeritus of Armagh, will preach the homily.
- \*\* To commemorate the *Year of Mercy a Gate/Door of Mercy* will be created at the entrance to *St. Finbarr's Island*.

## **Parish Day Trip - Glenstal Abbey**

Ballinhassig Parish Assembly Day Trip to Glenstal Abbey on:

## Saturday October 8th, 2016



It would be appreciated if those who have already booked would pay the 65Euro in the Marian Hall on Friday next September 23rd from 7.00pm-8.00pm.

Comfortable clothing and footware essential for the **Guided Walk** through the Forest (optional) with Fr. Anthony.

Few places remaining, Cost 65Euro including Bus.

Details of Itinerary and booking contact: 087/2802958; 087/6524716; 086/3748925; or *PAN Centre/Parish Office* 4885062. Confined to over 18's. *All welcome.* 

## **Special Collection- Priesthood Education**

The *second* collection next week end Saturday/Sunday Sept. 24th/25th is the annual diocesan collection for the *Education of Students to the Priesthood*. This collection helps the Diocesan Education Fund which meets the cost of seminarians' fees in St. Patrick's Maynooth and also contributes to post graduate studies of priests of the diocese.

## For Your Diary:-

# Fr. Kieron Farewell /Thanksgiving Night Marian Hall, Ballinhassig Saturday October 22nd at 8.00pm



If you would like to be associated with this **Farewell / Thanksgiving Presentation** to Fr. Kieron:-

You are **invited** to place your voluntary contribution in an envelope which will be available in the church next week end.

#### Envelopes can be returned as follows:-:-

In the Sunday Offertory collection basket; Or direct to the P.A.N. Centre.

Envelopes can be returned up to October 19<sup>th</sup> but prior to this would be much appreciated.

Thanking you in anticipation for your co-operation and generosity which will be treated in the strictest confidence.

All welcome on the night.

Enquiries to Organising Committee:-Henrietta, Noreen, Ann, Mary & Parish Assembly at P.A.N. Centre (Parish Office) 4885062.

## Card Drive Ballinhassig Camog

Ballinhassig Camogie Club Card Drive will re-commence in the GAA Rooms on Wednesday September 28th at 9.00pm sharp. New members welcome.

## **FUN Bingo**

Ballinhassig Camogie Club will hold a 'Fun Family Bingo Night' on Saturday October 8th at 8.00pm in the Marian Hall. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. All welcome.

#### An Ciorcal Comhrá

*Irish Conversation Group* ag tosnú– beginning again Monday - **September 19th** 

Gach Luain-Every Monday Fáilte roimh gach leibhéal-All levels welcome Ballinhassig GAA Club Time:- 7.30pm-8.30pm.

## **Gougane Sunday**

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club Trip to St. Finbarr's Gougane Barra to join in the celebration of Gougane Sunday on:-

September 25th as follows: Bus leaving:-

Ballygarvan 11.30am Ballinhassig 11.45am

Evening meal *Kilumney Inn*. Further details and booking contact:- 4885449; 4885245; 4888213: or 087/7546818.

All welcome. Immediate booking essential.

## South Chapel 250th St. Finbarr's South

Church, Dunbar St, Cork is the oldest church in the diocese and *celebrating its* 250th this month.

Gala Fundraising Concert on Friday September 23rd at 8.00pm. Tickets 20Euro from Pro Musica or Parish Office 085/1471147.

Sunday *September 25th*, 250th Anniversary Mass will be celebrated by **Bishop John Buckley at** 11.00am. All welcome.

## **Harvest Festival**



30th Halfway Harvest/ Vintage Festival on this Sunday September 18th commencing at 2.00pm. Fun afternoon for all the family, take a trip down

memory lane amid the Vintage cars, tractors, bikes, displays etc. Music and fun.

Vintage run Saturday 17th at 12.00noon. All welcome.

#### **Parish Catechists**

New Two Year Course commencing January 2017 in Cork. Details *Pastoral Development Office* 4357601.