### Anniversaries

Paddy and Betty Finn, Tulligbeg. Francis Kearney, Goggins Hill. Finbarr Kearney, Goggins Hill, Mairead Murphy, Old Abbey. Finbarr Holland, Lisfehill. Lisa Shears. Meadstown. Eileen Walsh, Tooreen. John O'Leary, Adamstown. Kevin Cleary, Myrtle Hill. Paudie Butler, Meadstown. Richie Cullinane, Liskillea. Billy Cullinane, Milewater. Timothy O'Donovan, Ballea. Finbarr Lombard, Old Abbev. Eileen Crowley, Station Steps. Patrick Coakley, Ballinaboy. Bridie Murphy, Halfway. Alfie Roberts, Scart. John and Betty Harte, Leitrim. Deceased Harte & Foley Families. Paddy Kelleher, Clougheenduane. Tom and Ciss O'Leary, Adamstown. John Holland, Liskillea & Cambridge. Michael and Helen Brown, Glasheen. Sheehan & Daly Families, Ballyduhig. James & Margaret Fitzgerald, Lisfehill. Michael & Maureen Murphy, Lisfehill.

#### Thought for the Week

No one can go back in time to change what has happened, so work on your present to make yourself a wonderful future.

Happy New Year 2017

**Ballinhassig GAA - For all walkers.** OT walk starts **Sun. 8th at 9.30am** from Marian Hall Car Park. All welcome. **Masses Next Week** 

Monday:- January 9th Ballygarvan:- 9.30am

<u>Tuesday:- January 10th</u> Goggins Hill at 9.30am

#### <u>Thursday:- January 12th</u> Ballyheada at 10.00am

**Ballinhassig Parish Assembly** Meeting on Monday 9th at 7.30pm in Ballygarvan N.S (all members please attend)

### **Station Spring 2017**

*Ballinaboy/Knocklucy/Raheen/Rathroe* Tuesday **January 10th at 8.00pm** in the home of Rita and Louise Barrett.

Song for Bridget Saturday January 21st, 2017 Marian Hall, Ballinhassig Fundraising evening for 18 year old girl from Gambia requiring life threatning surgery. Music with Elaine Canning; Ryan Morgan; Sinead Treacy; Barry O'Halloran and the RTA Choir. Musi-

cal Director: *Eoin O'Callaghan;* MC: *Seán Radley,* doors open 7.30pm, show 8.00pm. Cost 15Euro. Great night assured, support appreciated. <u>Tickets on sale on:-</u> Sun. 8th & 15th in the *Marian Hall,* Ballinhassig from 12.30pm-1.30pm. Further details Joan 087/9685484 or Barry 087/4129315.

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# **Ballinhassig Parish**





for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

#### Vol. 25 No. 17 Sunday: January 8th, 2017 (The Baptism Of The Lord)

Fr. Christy writes....

## **GOD'S INVITATION**

There is something purely enchanting about a young child. We can't help ourselves but to be drawn in by them and their smile. The pure innocence is beautiful, and aren't they just so perfect. We are delighted for this new addition to the family and pray that they will enjoy many happy years together as they see their little one grow up.

This weekend we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. It marks out his special relationship with his Father and the beginning of his public ministry. His ministry was something he did by preaching and teaching, by the example he gave, especially with how he related with people whom he met in their need.

For us, our baptism marked the beginning too of our new relationship, with God and with one another. In Baptism we became mem-

bers of God's family. Our baptism was not simply a one day event, rather, it is the beginning of our lifelong relationship with our God and how we live out that relationship with one another.



Baptism is ultimately an invitation into a

relationship, belonging to God and to a faith family, a faith community, with a promise of eternal life and a call to service. It is important then that as we begin this New Year that we re commit ourselves in God's service following the example of Jesus.

# **Baptisms 2016**

We welcome to the Christian Community the following children who were Baptised in Ballinhassig Parish during 2016.

Darragh Keohane, Blackhill, son of Michael and Claire. *Kevin Buckley*, Ballynagrumoolia, son of Liam and Sarah. *Louie Kavanagh*, Bawnleigh, son of David and Catherine.

Cathal O'Leary, Farlistown, son of Alan and Lorraine. Aoibhinn Healy, Rearour, daughter of Thomas and Caroline. Scott O'Donovan, Kilmoney, son of Thomas and Teresa (Terri). Aaron Harrington, Rearour, son of John and Áine. Clodagh Harrington, Rearour, daughter of John and Áine. Darragh Hunt, Ballinaloughy, son of Jonathan and Loretta. Evan Dineen, Ballinphellic, son of Darran and Melanie. Jude Chambers, London, daughter of Aaron and Louise. Ashleigh O'Callaghan, Briar Hill, daughter of Liam and Susan. Rava Rice, Tulligmore, daughter of Edgar and Teresa.





Daniel McCarthy, Meadstown, son of Daniel and Sharon. Abbie Murphy, Gleann Alainn, Ballygarvan, daughter of Brian and Susan. Ciarán Spillane, Ballinphellic, son of John and Elizabeth. Noah Watkins, Ballygarvan Lower, son of Paul and Fiona. Aoíbhe O'Sullivan, Blackhill, daughter of Robert and Aine. Abigail Kelleher, Halfway, daughter of Mark and Mariel. Benjamin Forde, Tulligmore, son of Donal and Maria

*Bernard Forde,* Tulligmore, son of Donal and Maria. *Leona Crowley,* Killmurriheen, daughter of Niall and Mary. *Ashlee Coleman,* Ballynoe, daughter of Anthony and Christine.

*Conal O' Regan,* Killeady Hill, Coolatooder, son of of Kevin and Aisling. *Henry Bruen,,* Liberty Hill, son of James and Sarah.

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Saorla Hayes, Gortnaglough, daughter of James and Karina. Harry Coleman, Ballyhooleen, son of Derry and Susan. Meghan Ahern, Farlestown, daughter of Gearoid and Sarah. James Spillane, Ballinphelic, son of Gerard and Marjorie. *Katie O'Leary*, Ballygarvan, daughter of Shane and Elvira. Alex Phelan, Gleann Alainn, son of Gary and Nicola. Rosanna Buckley, Goggins Hill, daughter of Maurice and Róisín. Shane Duggan, Fahanalooscane, son of Diarmuid and Caroline. Darragh O'Learv, Tulligmore, son of Sean and Audrey. Oisín McGarry, Surrey, UK, son of Brendan and Sinéad Albert Burke, Ballygarvan Upper. son of Fergus and Elena. Daisv O'Sullivan, Gortnaglough, daughter of Jeremiah and Mary. James Butler, Meadstown, son of Alan and Orlagh. Aisling O'Brien, Portmarnock, Co. Dublin daughter of Paul and Ciara. Joshua Gleeson, Ballygarvan, son of Nicole. Niamh O'Sullivan, Scart, daughter of James and Helen. Katie Cullinane, Rearour, daughter of Philip and Niamh. Rachel O'Shea, Goggins Hill, daughter of Simon and Sarah. Darcy McSweeney, Goggins Hill, daughter of Seán and Gráinne. Fiadh Treharne, Forrest Rd., daughter of Alan and Sarah. Francis Flynn, Corran, son of Owen and Eileen. Isaiah Corcoran, Ballinabearna, son of Ruaidhri and Anna. Clara Neary, Killanully, Ballygarvan,

daughter of David and Dara.

Séan O'Mahony, Shanavally, Ballinhassig, son of Stephen and Aideen. Martin Coleman, Rigsdale, son of Martin and Ann-Marie. Ronan Quinlan, Ballyleigh, son of Emmet and Diane. Zoey Keigher, Courtmacsherry, daughter of Joseph and Raitza. Conor Gillespie, Goggins Hill Lower, son of Greg and Mary. Áine Gillespie. Goggins Hill Lower. daughter of Greg and Mary. Leo Sherlock, Ballinphellic, son of Graham and Magdalena. Aibhín Cronin, Corran, daughter of Ross and Ráichéal *Katie Fitzgerald*. Ballyphehane, daughter of Gerard and Teresa. Ódhran Dwyer, Rigsdale Upper, son of Anthony and Órla. Freya O'Sullivan, Kingsland, daughter of Paul and Grace. Zoe O'Brien, Gleann Rua, Ballygarvan, daughter of James and Kim. Cara O'Sullivan, Briar Hill, daughter of Brian and Madeline. Chloe Murphy, Skehanagh, daughter of John and Michelle. James O'Leary, Ballincranig, son of Richard and Deirdre. Thomas Harding, Kimmage, Dublin, son of John and Yvonne. Molly Lynch, Briar Hill, daughter of Shane and Nuala. Nessa O'Connor, Halfway, daughter of William and Emma. Kate Florish Desmond, Rigsdale, daughter of Michael and Lorraine. Cora Boyling, Carrigaline, daughter of John and Ava. Benjamin Spillane, Meadstown, son of Joseph and Aislinn. John Murphy, Ballyhooleen, son of James and Ann-Marie (Anna) Tommy O'Sullivan, Kingsland, son of Declan and Joanne