#### **Anniversaries**

Nicholas & Joan Cullinane, Tooreen.
William Deasy, Bawnleigh.
Cathy Connolly, Tulligmore.
Mary Grainger, The Square.
Michael Foley, Ballygarvan.
Timothy Twohig, Castlewhite.
Maureen Coughlan, Adamstown.
Eileen O'Halloran, Templemartin.
Madge O'Sullivan, Fivemile Bridge.
Richie and Joan Murphy, Carrigrohane.
Timothy & Mary O'Keeffe, Adamstown

#### We Remember

John O'Connor, Ballinvoltig; Annie O'Leary (née Forde) Ballinrea, Carrigaline & Ballyhooleen who died recently. We pray for their families, neighbours and friends.

# **Sympathy**

We offer our sympathy to *Kathleen Drinan*, Carrigaline on the death of her husband *Sean*; and *Peter and Brian* on the death of their father *Sean Drinan*; *Philip O'Connell*, Adamstown on the death of his mother *Peggy O'Connell*, Blarney, Willie O'Connell on the death of his wife and Kathryn, Brendan, Annette, Louise and Conor on the death of their mother Peggy O'Connell, Blarney;

**Pauline Dillon,** Meadstown on the death of her father *Michael O'Reilly*, Ballintemple:

**Jonathan Bermingham,** Ballygarvan on the death of *Kathleen Bermingham*, Ballyphehane.

#### MASS TIMES Next Week

Monday 6th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Tuesday 7th:-

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 9th:-

Ballyheada 10.00am

Saturday 11th:-

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 12th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am

#### **Lourdes Invalid Fund**

Next week end February 11th/12th the second collection is the annual collection for the *Diocesan Lourdes sick/assisted pilgrimage fund.* 100 sick are brought annually from June 11th-16th, helpers are grant aided by 400Euro to defray their costs as they give generously of their time. Thank you for your continued support and generosity

#### **Lourdes - Young Helpers**

Cork & Ross Diocese invite Young Adults 18-30 to come to Lourdes as helpers from June 11th-16th, 2017. You will assist the sick, be involved in the pilgrimage, time for prayer. Closing date February 28th. Details Fr. Charlie Kiely 4537603, or email:charliekiely@gmail.com

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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. 24 No. 21 Sunday: February 5th, 2017 (Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time)

Fr. Christy writes ....

# **SHINE A LIGHT**

Isn't there a lovely stretch in the evening already. None of us can really say we like the dull, dark and dreary winter evenings. For some it is a very difficult time of the year. We can't wait for the Spring to really kick in with more sunshine, the flowers sprouting up and the trees taking on new life. We look forward too, to hearing the lovely birdsong in the mornings. It all brings a smile to our faces.

The light gives us direction. We follow it. The lovely bright days and evenings bring out a rich hope within us all. It is easier to keep a smile on our face and as someone said recently to me, it also makes it easier to be nice to people.

Being nice, kind, thoughtful and considerate to others is something we are meant as Christians to be doing all the time, but lets face it, human nature being what it is, there are times when it is easier than others to be nice and considerate.

We are clearly told that Jesus is our light, he is the one who gives us true direction. He is the best example for us to follow and when we look to him we can see how he heard and lived out the words of the prophet Isaiah. To share with those in need. To be people of integrity in our faith and to reach out beyond ourselves.

of integrity in our faith and to reach out beyond ourselves, to think of others, because living out our faith involves others especially those in need, that's how we become salt and light. Bringing hope and flavour or quality to everyone's life.

# Course for Cantors & Church Musicians

Graded course for *Cantors & Church Musicians* with optinal final exam and certificate.
This course will be given by *Dominican priest*, *Fr. Fergus Ryan* from *Ballygarvan* who is at present living and teaching liturgy in Rome.

This will include emphasis on understanding the liturgy, leading congregational singing. Open to vocalists and musicians, parish cantors, choir directors, school teachers and college students studying music. Further details:

fergusryanop@gmail.com or face-book.com/CantorCourse

Also a **Talk** by *Fr. Fergus Ryan*, *OP*. on the origins of the sung *Ordinary of the Mass* at St. Mary's Popes Quay on Saturday *February 18th at 2.00pm* & Monday *February 20th at 12.00noon. Free admission, donations accepted*.

## **Priesthood**

Men between 18-40 who are

interested in the Diocesan

priesthood as a way of life are invited to Pallotine House,

Thurles on Friday February

17th from 6. 00pm to Saturday February

18th at 3.00pm. No charge for this weekend. Further details contact:- Fr. Charlie

Kiely 021/4537603; charliekiely@gmail.com

# "Walk in the footsteps of Christ" Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

(Ex Cork)
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October – Monday
16th, October 2017
Spiritual Director:- Fr. Christy Fitzgerald, P.P. Ballinhassig
(Cork and Ross Diocesan Director of Liturgy & Ecumenism)

Group Leader: Jim Keogh
Highlights include: Jerusalem, Via Dolorosa, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Mount of Olives, Sea of Galilee, Cana and the Dead Sea.

Trip includes:- Return
Flights, 8 nights 4\* hotels,
dinner, b&b, entrance fees,
English speaking Christian
guide.

Please note that places are <u>strictly limited</u> and are allocated on a first come first served basis.

Reserve your place now: a completed booking form with deposit of €250.00 per person (payment by cash/cheque / debit or credit card) should be sent directly to MAP Travel. The balance will be due 10 weeks prior to departure – payment by cash/cheque or debit card. A 2% surcharge applies only to balances paid by credit card. Further information and details please contact MAP travel, 36 Upper O'Connell St, Dublin 1 01/8783111 or Jim Keogh at 4885371 or 087/2678793. All welcome.

#### **Family Fun Bingo**

Ballinhassig Camogie Club will hold a Family Fun Bingo night in the Marian Hall on Saturday February 25th at 8.00pm. Proceeds to the newly formed Ballinhassig Ladies Football Club. Also Progressive 45 Card Drive in the Marian Hall on Wednesdays 9.00pm sharp.

Pray for all who are ill in any way.

#### **Thank You**

We the parishioners of Ballinhassig Parish would like to sincerely thank Hugh (Hugo) Cronin, Glasheen for his kind donation of a Chalice and Ciborium to be used in Goggins Hill Church.

These were donated in Memory of:-

Dr. John Cronin, his wife Mary and their son Denis;
The O'Mahony Family, Station Steps, John and Elizabeth O'Leary, Springmount; and the Daly family Ballygarvan both deceased and living.

### **Do This In Memory**

The next 'Do This In Memory Mass' for the children who will receive their First Holy Communion in May will be on next week end February 11th/12th.

# Goggin's Hill Youth Choir

Goggin's Hill Youth Choir are currently recruiting!! If you sing or play an instrument please come along and join us. All welcome.

#### **February Dates:-**

February 12th:- 10.30am Practice in *Goggin's Hill Church* followed by singing at 11.30am Mass.

February 26th:- 10.30am -11.10am

Practice only. Further information Claire
086/6024262 or Henrietta 085/1695982.

#### Thought For The Week

Learn to appreciate what you have, before time makes you appreciate what you had.

# **Social & Active Group**

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Group:-

Special General Meeting
Wednesday February 8th at 7.30pm
Marian Hall, Ballinhassig

#### Purpose of Meeting:-

Amendment of constitution, election of committee members and *election to the post of Chairperson, Secretary and* 

**Treasurer**. If new committee members and the 3 posts cannot be filled, the group will have to be dissolved. All welcome.

# **Enrolments** *N.S.* <u>2017</u>

# **Ballyheada**

Please note Enrolment Forms for Junior Infants commencing
September 2017 are now available from the School Secretary at
4885066. Closing date for receipt of completed enrolment forms is Friday March
3rd, 2017. Application forms for 2018 &
2019 also available.

# **Goggins Hill**

Enrolment forms for Junior Infants 2017 are now available from the school office at **4885241** or email:-

info@gogginshillschool.com

# **Coffee Morning**

Coffee Morning in aid of 'The Down Syndrome Centre Cork' will be held on Sunday February 5th from 11.00am in the New School Hall, Ballygarvan. Further details contact Nora 087/9201567. Support appreciated. All welcome.

#### **Childminder Wanted**

Childminder wanted in the Ballinhassig area, two days per week initially, to mind child in the minders own home. Further details Karena 087/6699715.