#### **Anniversaries**

Pat & Mary Spillane, Ballynabearna.
Julia Mulcahy, Corran.
Kitty O'Donovan, Nohoval.
Senan McCarthy, Farlistown.
Martin Griffin, Skehanagh.
Thomas O'Sullivan, Ballygarvan Upper.

#### We Remember

Miriam Lynch (née Butler) Killingley, Ballygarvan;

**Thomas (Tommy) Long,** Ballygarvan;

Cornelius (Ronnie) O'Leary,
Blackpool & Rigsdale Upper;
Elizabeth (Betty) Harrington (née Denieffe), Donoughmore who were buried during the week. We pray for their fam-

## **Sympathy**

ilies, neighbours and friends.

We offer our sympathy to Alan & Lisa Long & relatives on the death of Thomas (Tommy) Long, Ballygarvan; Daniel, John, Mary and Eithne Lynch on the death of their mother Miriam Lynch, Killingley, Ballygarvan; John O'Leary, Rigsdale Upper, Paddy, Donie, Jerry, Kitty, Mary, Helen and Bernadette on the death of their brother Cornelius(Ronnie) O'Leary, Blackpool & Rigsdale Upper.

We have loved them in life, Let us not forget them in death.

#### **MASS TIMES**

#### **Next Week Novena Continues:-**

Monday 6th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am Ballyheada 7.30pm

Tuesday 7th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am Ballyheada 7.30pm

Wednesday 8th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am Ballyheada 7.30pm

Thursday 9th:-

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Ballygarvan 9.30am Goggins Hill 7.30pm

Friday 10th:-

Ballygarvan 9 Ballyheada 7

9.30am 7.30pm

Saturday 11th:-

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 12th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am

#### **Clothes Collection**

Ballyheada N.S. Parents Association clothes collection 'Bag 2 School' open to the public on Wednesday November 8th from 6.30pm-8.30pm in the School Hall. The following items appreciated:- clothes, paired shoes, handbags, hats, scarves, belts, and soft toys. No other items.

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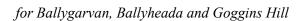
Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday by Mary O'Halloran (4885062,4885257) Mary O'Donovan (4888268),

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# Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter



Vol. 26 No 8 Sunday: November 5th, 2017 (Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Fr. Christy writes...

## **Practice what your Preach**

Young people are very open, they are full of boundless energy, idealism, great dreams for the future, and thank God for it. One thing that young people can't stand is people who are not authentic, people who say one thing and then do the very opposite.

The scriptures this weekend remind us of the same thing. Being a Christian, being a believer, being a follower of Jesus means we have to follow through on our words. Christianity is about a way of life. It is to do with being at the service of others. It's about being a person who adds to the life of others makes their life better and not being a person who lays burdens on them.

It means that we have to reach out, think beyond this world and ourselves. That's the challenge we face. As our liturgical year draws to a close in the coming weeks we will be asked to look beyond this world and this time, to the future, the future that awaits all believers, in the next life. It means we have to get serious and begin to practice what



we preach, what we teach and what we believe. We need to start building for the next world, and we begin in this world, in this time and with those we encounter every day.

#### Vigil for the Holy Souls

St. Patrick's Church, Rochestown on Wednesday November 15th. Commences with the Angelus and Mass at 6.00pm. Confessions, Rosaries, Prayers & Hymns for our departed families and friends throughout the night.

Vigil concludes with Mass at 12 Midnight.

Everyone welcome.

#### The Village Stories

Ballinhassig Village Association will hold an 'Afternoon of Stories' on Sunday November 26th commencing at 3.00pm in the Marian Hall about the 'Characters and goings on in the Village over the last 80 years' We are looking for old photos of the Village, the old buildings and the people of the Village. If you have any of these or a story to share, please contact Denis on 087/2688174.

## **Graveyard Prayers November**

The Annual Prayers & Blessing of the Graves for the dead in the gravevards of the parish will take place this Sunday November 5th as follows:

Sunday 5th

Ballvheada: 2.15pm 2.30pm Liscleary:

Killingley: 3.15pm Ballinaboy: 3.15pm Goggins Hill: 4.00pm

Please note:

Blessing of graves in two gravevards at the same time is correct as these will be done by the Parish Funeral Ministry Team.

St. James Cemetery Chetwynd Blessing of Graves:-Sunday November 5th at 3.00pm.

St. Finbarr's - Glasheen Blessing of Graves:-Sunday November 12th at 2.30pm.

St. Michaels - Blackrock Blessing of Graves:-Sunday November 12th at 3.00pm.

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### **Camogie Bingo Night**

Ballinhassig Camogie Club annual Christmas BINGO NIGHT in the Marian Hall on Saturday November 18th at 8.00pm. Hampers galore. Great fun night assured. Unwanted

baskets appreciated for hampers,

contact members. All welcome.

#### Reflection

On this Sunday when we gather for prayers in the cemeteries of the parish, you may like to reflect on the following:-

Lord, we come here today To revere the memory of those Whom you have called from this life, We come to the place where their Remains were returned to the earth In the way of all flesh; Earth to earth and dust to dust.

Here is where they were entrusted Into your hands, into your love. Here is where they were given The final farewell, and prayers For a safe journey into your keeping.

Here is where we especially ask you To bestow on them the joy of your peace, So that together with you In your eternal home, Where this world of dust and ashes And the fragility of this life No longer hold sway, They will find eternal rest.

Amen. (Christy Kenneally)

### **Active Retired Club**

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club monthly social in the Marian Hall on **Thursday** November 9th with guest speaker:-John L. O'Sullivan, local historian. Cuppa, chat ...... All welcome.

Upcoming events:- In the MARIAN HALL Christmas Dinner/Party:- December 9th Christmas Flower Arranging:- December 14th All welcome!!!!!!!!

#### Annual Mass for Bereaved November 14th

Most of November we concentrate on remembering our dead. The Holy Souls Novena, the visits to the gravevards are good but they make it impossible for people to avoid being revisited by the pain caused by the death of a loved one. Here in

Ballinhassig Parish we have had sad, sudden and untimely deaths this year and in the past few years. Consequently we have many parishioners for whom November is a very sad and lone-

ly month. The thought of facing Christmas without the departed loved one always brings enormous sadness in need of some ray of hope to dispel the darkness of grief.

Conscious of this, the Parish Assembly once again have organised the Annual Mass for the Bereaved.

All those who suffered a bereavement in the past twelve months, their family members. neighbours and friends are especially invited to attend this **Special Mass** on **Tuesday** November 14th at 7.30pm in Goggins Hill-**Church.** It is hoped this Special Mass will

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bring a message of hope, comfort and consolation to all who live with the pain of loss, especially the death of a loved one; separation; divorce; also



loss of employment; financial insecurity; loss of health both physical and mental and any other loss which we may endure as individuals.

As part of the ceremony everybody will be invited to bring a lighted candle, available at the door, to the altar on entering the church. These individual candles will then symbolise a community of hope with all candles then lighting as one. Everybody welcome on the night, we are also conscious that we may not be aware of all parishion-

ers who suffered bereavements of family members who resided outside the parish. The night, however, is not only for those bereaved in the past twelve months, it is a night for remembering and praying for all who are grieving. There is a great tradition of support and understanding in our parish at times of bereavement.

Mass on Tuesday 14th will be another opportunity to offer sympathy, and support through being present and praying with our bereaved families, neighbours and friends. All welcome, invite your family and friends from outside the parish to join you on the night. (Mary O'Halloran writes...

#### **Active Retired**

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club annual Christmas **Dinner /Party** in the:-Marian Hall, Ballinhassig Saturday December 9th.

Lunch at 1.00pm. Music, song and craic.

Tickets cost 20Euro.

Names and payment to:-

Irene Forde 086/8611275 Mairead Deasy *087/1376023* Phil O'Keeffe *087/2901865* Mary O'Halloran 4885062 or

086/3183645 or any committee member as soon as possible. All welcome!!!!!!!!

#### Goggins Hill N.S. Bazaar

Goggins Hill N.S. Parents Association christmas 'Bazaar' in the school Hall on Sunday November 26th after Mass. Vendor/ Craft Stalls. If interested contact Karen 087/6989008

#### **Fundraising Table Quiz**

Friday November 10th in the Sportsman's Rest in aid of Cathal Ryan (son of Donie and Lucia) Cathal is going to the I.W.A.S. World Games for Para Athletes in Monte Gorde in Portugal from December 1st -6th. Cathal will compete in the javelin, discus and 100m. Team of 4. 40Euro. Great spots (donations appreciated).

Support appreciated for another local athlete representing our parish on the world stage.

