Anniversaries

Noreen Bowen, Meadstown.
Neile Reardon, Ballinaboy.
Sean Hurley, Rigsdale.
Phil Bowen, Killingley.
John Connolly, Tulligmore.
Jackie Murphy, Skehanagh.
Christy Sheehan, Meadstown
Catherine Barry, Coolatooder.
Annie Crowley, Ballyduhig.
Michael Sheehan, Ballinaboy
Donie Murphy, Turners Cross.
Eileen O'Connell, Gortnaclogh.
Kitty Lomasney, Castlelyons.
Finbarr Lomasney, Castlelyons.
Cain O'Mahony, Fivemile Bridge.

We Remember

Tracy O'Toole (née Cronin)

Carrigaline & Rochestown;

Kevin B. Clancy, Turners Cross

who were buried during the

week. We pray for their families, neighbours and friends.

We have loved them in life,

Let us not forget them in

Fun Run/Walk

Sean Hurley Memorial
Fun Run/Walk will be held on:
This Sunday November 26th
Time:- Commencing at 10.00am
from the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig.
Registration in Marian Hall from
9.30am. All proceeds in aid of CRY
(Cardiac Risk In The Young).

MASS TIMES Next Week

Monday 27th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Tuesday 28th:-

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 30th

Ballyheada 10.00am

Friday 1st:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am Ballyheada 8.00pm

First Friday Visits

Friday is the **First Friday** of **December.** Fr. Christy will make the usual monthly visits to the housebound.

Saturday 2nd: Ballyheada 7pm Sunday 3rd: Ballygarvan 10am & Goggins Hill 11.30am.

Saint Nicholas Dec. 6th

December 6th is the Feast of St. Nicholas. The Ballinhassig Parish Assembly invite children to bring a toy to Mass on the first Sunday of Advent December 3rd. (NEXT WEEK) Please put in a bag

Please put in a bag but do not wrap.

These will be placed at the altar and donated to Saint Vincent De Paul for poorer children to ensure they all receive

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Christmas.

2017 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),
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Parish Priest:- Fr. Christy Fitzgerald Telephone: 4885104 or 087/9439666

Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

Vol. 26 No 11 Sunday: November 26th, 2017 (Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe)

Fr. Christy writes...

Sheep or Goats?

Which would you prefer to be called, a sheep or a goat? A strange question you might say, and yet, Jesus in describing the Last Judgment scene speaks of separating sheep from goats, with the sheep going to his right and the goats to his left.

It's the last Sunday and final week in the Church's calendar. For the last few weeks now, we have been directed towards the end times in our scripture readings, to have our minds focused on the great prize that awaits us all, eternal life with God in heaven, reunited with all our loved ones and all who have gone before us.

This weekend you could say that we are receiving important reminders about what's important and where our priorities should lay as believers. He is the "first fruit of those who have fallen asleep."

Jesus, the Shepherd King, will return, take his seat on his throne and, surrounded by his angels, will judge the nations. He will share his glory with those he finds worthy. What will his standard be for judging? Who will "inherit the kingdom" that has been prepared for them?

We are all workers for that kingdom. The question we will, according to Jesus, be asked is, how we have cared for the Lord in all those in any kind of need? For as we have shown care to others, it seems, that we will be judged as if we have given that care to Jesus himself.

Cork & Ross Vocations Discernment (for men aged 18-40) This months gathering on November 29th 6.30pm-8.00pm at the Pastoral Development Office, Ballyphehane. Details Fr. Charlie Kiely 021/5437603.

SAMUEL PROGRAMME

Are you aged 18-35. Join the programme for six months, once a month in the Franciscan Friary Killarney. Details **087/2209994.**

St Vincent De Paul

The local St. Joseph's Conference of St. Vincent De Paul provides practical support and information to those who are in need of help and assistance in our community. All requests are dealt with great sensitivity and in strictest confidence. Winter brings extra expense and pressure on household budgets. If you are in need of support, please contact SVP Office, 2 Tuckey St., Cork 021/4270444 or www.svp.ie.



SVP:- CHRISTMAS CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

Will be held on Saturday/Sunday **December 9th/10th** at all Masses in the parish. The ongoing generosity of parishioners is very much appreciated and will make a difference to others this Christmas.

Thought for the Week!!!!

I Asked......

I asked for strength and God gave me difficulties to make me strong.

I asked for wisdom and God gave me problems to solve.

I asked for prosperity and God gave me brawn and brains to work.

I asked for courage and God gave me dangers to overcome.

I asked for patience and God placed me in situations where I was forced to wait.

I asked for love and God gave me troubled people to help.

I asked for favours and God gave me opportunities.

I asked for everything so that I could enjoy life.

Instead, He gave me life so I could enjoy everything.

I received nothing I wanted, I received everything I needed. (author unknown)

Ceremony Of Light

Ballyheada: December 5th at 7.30pm Ballygarvan: December 6th at 7.00pm

Bereavement Support

Bereavement Support Information evening on Tuesday **November 28th** from 7.00pm-9.00pm at CORK ARC Cancer Support House, 'The Bunglow' Goureebeg, Bantry. Free of charge. Booking essential on 083/1988580 or westcork@corkcancersupport.ie

History Society

Ballygarvan & District Local History Society will host 'Ronnie Herlihy' who will talk on 'Crime & Punishment in Victorian Cork' on Thursday November 30th at 8.00pm in the *Pre Fab Old School* Ballygarvan. All welcome.

Book Launch

Veritas & the Pastoral Development Office invite you to join them for their book launch "55 ways to connect with families in your parish" by Sr. Karen Kent on Sunday December 3rd at 4.00pm at St. Columba's Church, Douglas. Launch by Bishop John **Buckley. Details** 021/4537601.

Active Retirement Club

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

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club annual Christmas Dinner /Party in the:-

Marian Hall, Ballinhassig Saturday December 9th.

Lunch at 1.00pm sharp. All seated by 12.45pm.

Music, song and craic. Tickets cost 20Euro.

Names and payment to:-

Irene Forde 086/8611275 Mairead Deasy 087/1376023 Phil O'Keeffe 087/2901865 Joan McCann 087/9685484

Mary O'Halloran 4885062 or 086/3183645

or any committee member as soon as possible.

Names & Payment by December 1st to the above as numbers required for catering.

Village Stories Day

Ballinhassig Village Association

'VILLAGE STORIES DAY' 'AFTERNOON of STORIES' on this Sunday November 26th at 3pm in Bingo le Spraoi Sunthe Marian Hall, Ballinhassig. Keep the photos and stories coming in. This will be an afternoon about the Characters and goings on in the Village over the last 80 years. This will be a fun afternoon when all the old photos and stories get aired in public after being locked away for decades. All welcome.

VILLAGE CALENDAR 2018 comprising all old photos will also be on sale on Sunday at a cost of 10Euro.

Home Baking appreciated on the day as tea/ coffee will be served. You can hand in to the Marian Hall from 1.30pm.

Your support appreciated.

Bazaars

Goggins Hill N.S. Parents **Association:** Christmas **'Bazaar'** in the school Hall on this Sunday Nov. 26th after 11.30am Mass. All welcome.

Ballinhassig GAA Club:-

Annual Christmas 'Bazaar' on Sunday **December 3rd.** Santa arrives at 5.00pm. Great Spinner prizes. Anyone wishing to TAKE A STALL on the night contact Theresa 087/6579925.

Baskets and items for **hampers** collected in the Club Rooms on November 28th/29th/30th from 6.30pm-7.00pm. Spots appreciated.

Club Gear on sale November 28th/29th/30th in the Club Rooms from **6.30pm-7.00pm**.

AGM:– Club Rooms November 30th at 7.30pm. New members welcome.

> An Ciorcal Comhrá day 26th at Ballinhassig GAA Club 6.00pm-6.45pm. 5Euro an Clann.

Ballinhassig Village Association Christmas Tree Bulbs.

Family christmas tree bulbs also on sale on Sunday at a cost of 5 Euro.

