Anniversaries

Mary Twomey, Ballygarvan.
Michael Jordan, Tulligmore.
Dan Desmond, Rigsdale.
Frank Barry, Ballyduhig.
Noelle Moynihan, Corran.
Des & Joan O'Reilly, Tulligmore.
Cornelius Hurley, Ballyguinnane.
Bertie Martin, Carrigaline & Passage.
Timothy & Mary O'Keeffe, Adamstown
Maureen Coughlan, Adamstown Lower.

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to Mary O'Halloran, Rigsdale, Ballinhassig on the death of her husband William (Liam)Rigsdale, Farmers Cross & Grange; also to Bernadette Jacob, Deirdre Sheehan and Brian O'Halloran on the death of their brother William (Liam) Rigsdale, Farmers Cross & Grange.



Those who die in grace go no further from us than God and God is very near.



We Remember

Timothy J. Sexton, Clontarf who died recently. *We pray for his family, neighbours and friends.*



Stations Spring 2018

If you would like to host a **Station** in your home in **Spring 2018** please contact the *P.A.N. Centre (Parish Office)* at **4885062** to book a date.

MASS TIMES Next Week

Monday 5th:-

Ballygarvan

9.30am

Tuesday 6th:-

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 8th:-

Ballyheada

10.00am

Saturday 10th:-

Ballyheada

7.00pm

Sunday 11th:-

Ballygarvan Goggins Hill

10.00am 11.30am

Lourdes Invalid Fund

Next week end February 10th/11th 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 18-25 to come to Lourdes as helpers from June 11th-16th, 2018. You will assist the sick, be involved in the pilgrimage, time for prayer etc. Closing date February 28th. Details Fr. Charlie Kiely 4537603, or email:charliekiely@gmail.com

2018 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

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for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

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Fr. Christy writes

The Power of Prayer

We all know what a Job's comforter is. In the gospel this weekend they are sharing the belief of their time, simply put; they believed the good don't suffer pain, suffering and misfortune are nothing else but punishment for ones sins. Job didn't believe this; he was a righteous man, he was free from sin.

Jesus certainly doesn't believe it wither. His life and ministry was to associate with sinners and to bring wholeness and healing to people's lives. Jesus, at the height of his popularity withdraws and seeks a quiet space. It's not to escape from the crowds but to recharge. It's from his prayer, his personal and intimate relationship with God, that his power to heal comes from.

In our own time we often feel that some people, more than others, suffer more than their fair share. We know too many people who like Job, have to endure too much.

There are no easy answers and no one escapes the trials and tribulations of life. Jesus reached out and grasped the hand of the sick woman and she is filled with new life and energy. Jesus wants too, for us, in the midst of our pain and desolation to fill us with new life and energy, if only we can trust and have faith. One thing is for sure, like Jesus, we ourselves need to draw strength and energy from our relationship with God.

Free Transport Service For Chemotherapy Patients

The Irish Cancer Society
operates a free transport
service for patients attend-

ing hospital for chemotherapy treatment. *Volunteer Drivers* pick the patient up at the door of their home, drop them at the hospital door, then when finished treatment, will pick them up and drop them home.

Volunteer expenses are paid. Patients wishing to avail of this free service should contact their healthcare professional, visit the Society's website at irishcancer.ie or contact the Irish Cancer Society for more information on 01 /2310 522.

Volunteers Needed

The Irish Cancer Society's Daffodil Centres (Cork University Hospital and the Bon Secours) are currently looking for volunteers to support cancer patients and their families.

Duties will include:- welcoming patients and their families into the centre, talking, listening and identifying their needs, then signposting them to appropriate sources of information and support.

Training will be provided.
For more information please contact: Deirdre Murphy on 01/231 0564 or email: dmurphy@irishcancer.ie

Cork Scripture Group

Present 'Gospels Perspective on Family' Presented by: **Dr. Jessie Rogers** (St. Patrick's College, Maynooth)

Saturday:- February 24th
Time:- 10.00am-1.00pm
Venue:- Sacred Heart Parish

Centre, Western Road, Cork.

Cost:- 10Euro.

Information and booking email:

corkscripturegroup@gmail.com or phone 4295144 before February 17th.

Cork Scripture Group

'The Gospel of Mark'

Exploring the earliest of the Gospels Presented by:- Mons Ned Goold Marian Mortell, Fr. Seán O'Sullivan, Phil Mortell.

Time:- 7.30pm-9.30pm

Date:- Monday February 19th & 26th Monday March 5th & 12th.

Venue:- Scala Centre (opposite Blackrock Castle) Cost 50 Euro per module.

Information and booking.

corkscripturegroup@gmail.com or
phone 4295144 before February 17th.

All welcome.

Do This In Memory

The next 'Do This In Memory Mass' for the children who will receive their First Holy Communion in May 2018 will be at all Masses on next week- end February 10th/11th.

Family Fun Bingo

Ballinhassig Camogie Club will hold a Family Fun Bingo night in the Marian Hall on Saturday February 17th at 8.00pm. Proceeds to Ballinhassig Parish Accident & Emergency Fund. Also Progressive 45 Card Drive in the Marian Hall on Wednesdays 9.00pm sharp.



Pope Francis on Twitter

You can follow **Pope Francis on Twitter.** Search for @Pontifex and click on the "Follow" button. Some recent tweets:

"Don't waste time hiding your heart. Fill your life with the Holy Spirit!"

"Listening to religious teaching or leaing a doctrine is not enough. What we want is to live as Jesus lived."

Poor Clares - Day

"Come and See" **Vocations** Afternoon at the POOR CLARES Monastery, College Road, Cork.

Saturday:- February 10th
Time:- 2.00pm - 4.30pm
This afternoon is for young women considering a vocation. Further details:
Email:

vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com www.poorclarescork.ie All welcome.

Croí na Gaeilge *Leaving Certificate 2018*

Honours Irish 2 Day Exam preparation Course:Oral Day Thursday February 15th
Written Day Sunday March 11th given by an experienced Oral Examiner/
Teacher/Exam Corrector and open to all 6th Year Honours Students. All topics covered. Further details 085/1426903

Table Quiz

A Table Quiz in aid of the *Cork Association for Autis*m will be held on:-

Date: - Friday February 23rd

after 6.00pm. All welcome.

Time:- 7.00pm

Venue:- JJ Coppingers, Midleton Entry Fee:- 10Euro Per Person with teams of 4. Great prizes. Details email:

fundraising@corkautism.ie

Social & Active Group

allinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club:-

Thursday **February 8th** from 2.30pm-4.30pm in the **Marian Hall**, Ballinhassig. Music by Michael Horgan. All welcome,

music, chat & cuppa.

AGM in the Marian Hall, Ball inhassig on Tuesday
February 13th at 7.30pm.
All welcome.

Rooms To Rent

Newly Refurbished Ballygarvan Community Centre (OLD SCHOOL) **Rooms to Rent** at reasonable rates.
Contact:- ballygarvanco@gmail.com

Ballygarvan National School Reunion

It is hoped to have a **Reunion** of all past pupils of **Ballygarvan National School** in the near future. Old photos, newspaper cuttings appreciated on the day. More details later.

Clinic Ballinhassig

Margaret Murphy O'Mahony Fianna Fail will hold a clinic in Ballinhassig on *February 10th*. To arrange an appointment contact the constituency office Monday - Friday from 8.30am-5.30pm **023/8841179**.

Thought For The Week

Time decides who you meet in your life.
Your heart decides who you want in your life.
Your attitude decides who remains in your life.

