

Anniversaries

Philomena Bowen, Killingley.
Nellie Buckley, Kinsale.
Finbarr Hurley, Corran.
John Desmond, Rigsdale.
John Clarke, Rochestown.
Sean O'Halloran, Rathfarnham.
Walter Bermingham, Blackpool.
Padjum Doody, Ballygarvan & London.
Breda Collins, Ballygarvan & London.



We Remember

Finola Rice (née Duggan)

Goggins Hill;

Denis Healy, Killaminogue;

Frank Rice, Goggins Hill who died during the week.

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



Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to *Geraldine Cosgrave*, Ballinphellic on the death of her mother Bernadette Mullane, Carrigaline.

In death life is changed not Ended.



Remember and Pray

Please remember to pray for all our parishioners and all others who are unwell in any way at this time.

*I sought the Lord,
and He heard me,
and delivered me
from all my fears. (Psalm 34:4)*

MASS TIMES Next Week

Monday 26th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Tuesday 27th:-

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 1st

Ballyheada 10.00am

Friday 2nd:- (First Friday)

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Ballyheada 8.00pm

Adoration Ballyheada 7pm-8pm

Friday is the *First Friday of March.*

Fr. Christy will make the usual monthly visits to the housebound **on Friday.**

Saturday 3rd:-

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 4th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am

Goggins Hill 11.30am

Stations of the Cross during Lent in Ballygarvan Church on Thursdays at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Stations 2018

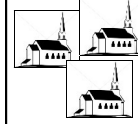
If you would like to host a **Station** in your home for **Spring 2018** please contact the **PAN Centre (Parish Office)** at **4885062** to arrange same.



Ballinhassig Parish

Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill



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Fr. Christy writes....

The Shadow of the Cross

Disturbing stuff this week as we read God's word. Poor Abraham, imagine the shock of the request to sacrifice his son. But, he doesn't have to. He trusts in God and his faith is rewarded. He sacrifices an animal to God instead of His son. It is just that, a story, of faith and trust. God himself goes one step further as he offers his only Son in sacrifice for all people. What a powerful gift.

As we continue our Lenten journey, we are to become more aware of that gift. More aware of how precious we are and how the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross is not the end of the story. The cross doesn't make sense to us except in the light of the resurrection, that's what we call, the Paschal Mystery, the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.



Jesus died on the cross because he was obedient to God's will. God wanted Jesus to proclaim a new reign of compassion and reconciliation with God and with one another – a reign of peace for all – for the least, and for sinners and outcasts as well. Jesus fulfilled God's will and stayed faithful to his preaching and healing mission.

May our journey help us to become more aware of our sin that we can appreciate better the powerful mercy, compassion and above all the forgiveness of God to us in Jesus.



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) ballinhassigparish@gmail.com www.ballinhassigparish.com Parish Priest:- Fr. Christy Fitzgerald Telephone: 4885104 or 087/9439666

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES ICON PILGRIMAGE

We welcome the World Meeting of Families Pilgrimage of the ICON to our diocese from:-

FEBRUARY 22ND - MARCH 5TH.

The ICON will visit three venues during this time and we are inviting everyone to come, pray, venerate the ICON and place their prayer petitions in the box which will be taken to the closing Mass of the World Meeting of Families celebrated by Pope Francis. The following liturgies are planned during the pilgrimage:-

CATHEDRAL, CORK

** Holy Hour to pray for vocations on **SATURDAY February 24th at 3.00pm**

** Ecumenical Service **SUNDAY February 25th at 3.00pm**

CATHEDRAL, SKIBBEREEN

** Welcome celebration on **Monday February 26th at 7.30pm**

BANDON PARISH CHURCH

** Welcome celebration (Mass) on **Friday March 2nd at 7.30pm**

Pilgrimage Medjugorje

May 30th– June 6th, 2018

Details and booking Richard
087/9415303

Knocknaheeny/Hollyhill Parish.

Pilgrimage Holy Land

October 21st - 30th, 2018

Details and booking Richard
087/9415303 or Seamus 087/6638615.

Knocknaheeny/Hollyhill Parish.

Young Adult Helpers Lourdes

The *Diocese of Cork & Ross* invite Young Adults 18-25 year olds to come to Lourdes as helpers from June 11th-16th, 2018. As helpers you will assist with the sick and be involved in the full pilgrimage programme as well as time for prayer, making new friends and sharing in the story of Lourdes. Places limited. *Closing date* for applications **February 28th**. Further details and booking Fr. Charlie Kiely **4537603** or email: charliekielya@gmail.com

Seachtain na Gaeilge

March 1st-17th celebrate the Irish language with the Cúpla focal.

World Book Day

March 1st is *World Book Day*. Encourage reading, particularly children by giving them a present of a book.

Pilgrimage Lourdes

Cork & Ross Diocesan Pilgrimage.

June 11th-16th, 2018.

5 nights full board.

Pilgrimage Director:

Canon James O'Donovan

Booking forms available from Joe Walsh
Tours, 117 Patrick Street, Cork. Telephone
4277959. All welcome.

Womens World Day of Prayer March 2nd

On Friday **March 2nd** Christian women across the world come together to lead the community in prayer. The theme for 2018 "*All God's creation is very good*" and is prepared by the *women of the Suriname*. The prayer service is based on *Genesis 1:1-31* and the wonder of creation. Details www.worlddayofprayer.net



Women's World Day of Prayer

Vacancy Community Employment

Vacancy on Community Employment Scheme in Ballinhassig Village.

Eligibility rules apply. Further details contact Anna **087/2790006**.

Congratulations

Old Abbey Athletic Club's indoor season is well under.

Congratulations to the following:-



Laura Cussen who won the '**Pole Event**' at the Irish University indoor championships representing UCC.

Brian Lynch finished **1st in National Combined Events with a National Record**.

Aisling Cussen finished **2nd & 3rd in the 'Shot & High Jump'** at Munster Indoors.

New members welcome, contact Maria Terry or Grainne Cussen.

AGM March 8th, Barrett's Killeady.

Childminder Wanted

Childminder wanted in the *Corran/Goggins Hill* area to mind two children in minders home.

Contact **087/1690417**.



Parish Social & Active Retirement Club

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club invite you to their '**MONTHLY SOCIAL**' in the **Marian Hall** on Thursday afternoon **March 8th** from **2.30pm- 4.30pm**.

These social afternoons are *open to all, particularly over 50's*.

Afternoon includes chat, cuppa, refreshments and special guest for March is well known '**Story Teller- Pat Speight**'



Carry on Regardless 2018

Carry on Regardless Marian Hall, Ballinhassig **March 15th-19th**. Tickets available shortly and early booking advised. Further details **087/6579925**.

Ballinhassig GAA Club

Club gear on sale in Club Rooms **Tuesday 27th** from 6.30pm-7.00pm. 25% off some old stock for one night only.

BCDA Fundraising Social

Fundraising **Social Dancing in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig.**

Friday **March 2nd** at 9.30pm.

Music by Peter Burke.

Teas served, great night assured.

All welcome.



Fiann Fáil AGM

Ballinhassig Fianna Fáil AGM Monday **February 26th** in front meeting room Marian Hall at **8.00pm** sharp. New members welcome. If interested in joining contact Liam, Cumann Secretary on **086/3354041**.

Thought for the Week

*Good friends are like stars...
you don't always see them,
but you know they are always there.*