#### **Anniversaries**

Ellen Coleman, Ballynagrumoolia. Michael Collins, Rearour. Joan Desmond, Ballyheada. Daniel McCarthy, Enniskeane. Sean O'Donovan, Killingley. Johnny Marshall, Meadstown. Maurice Healy, Ballinaboy. Mary Healy, Ballinaboy. Kevin Clancy, Mercier Park. Annie Crowley, Ballyduhig. Jackie Drinan, Meadstown. Christina Grimes, Glasnevin. Siobhan O'Reilly, Dillons Cross. Geraldine O'Leary, Tulligmore. William Murphy, Goggins Hill. Catherine Murphy, Goggins Hill. Nicholas & Joan Cullinane, Tooreen. Barry & Mary Cullinane, Liberty Hill.

#### We Remember

Kitty Kissane, Dublin Dorothy Ward, Ballinlough who died recently. We pray for their families, neighbours and friends.



Christmas Mass Cards available from the PAN Centre (Parish Office) 4885062.

#### **Church Flower Collections**



Church Flower Groups church collection deferred to December 15th/16th.

#### **MASS TIMES**

#### **Next Week**

Monday 19th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Tuesday 20th:-

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 22nd:-

Ballyheada 10.00am

Saturday 24th:-

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 25th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am

#### **Second Collection**

Special Collection this week end **Nov. 18th/19th** is for **Marriage Support**.

#### 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 1st & 2nd

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 a toy for Christmas.

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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

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

Vol. 27 No. 10 Sunday: November 18th, 2018 (Thirty Third Sunday In Ordinary Time)

Fr. Christy writes...

#### THE END OF THE WORLD

For years many people have looked at scripture texts, like we have this weekend, and tried to predict the end of the world and how this catstrophe will occur. The problem is these people have failed to understand the problem of trying to describe something we dont know how will happen. Thats what the writers of the sacred texts are trying to do.

We belive that Jesus promised to return at the end of time. How and when we dont know. The message is to remind us that we need to reflect, as we come to the end of the Church's year, on how we are living our lives.

In our world today, being a person of faith is not popular. Very often people of faith are dismissed as being out of touch and irrelevant to modern times. But, for us, we believe that faith is needed now more than ever. Concern for the less fortunate, those in need and those on the margins of society has never been more urgent.

As one of the saints of the Church has put it "Live your life each day as if it were your last". Very stark, yet, imagine how much better our world would be if we took that advice to heart, we would never worry or concern ourselves about the end then!

#### Thank You

Thanks from the parishioners to all the members of the Parish Funeral Ministry Team for their dedication and time on Sunday November 4th for the Annual Blessing of the Graves in all Graveyards of the Parish.





#### **World Day of the Poor**

This is the second World Day of the Poor and will be observed on this Sunday November 18th, 2018. In his apostolic letter to close the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis suggested the Catholic Church set aside one day each year when communities can "reflect on how poverty is at the very heart of the Gospel." It will be celebrated on the 33rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

### A Prayer For Families to say on World Day of the Poor

Dear God, Our Father. As we remember the *World Day of the Poor, We pray for our family and for all families who experience poverty around the world.* 

When we eat, we thank you for our meal, and we remember families who do not have enough food. We do not waste what we have, and we share our food with others.

When we play, we thank you for the gift of free time and safety, And we pray especially for all the children around the world who are not able to play freely.

When we pray, we thank you for our family, And we pray for all families around the world who live in poverty. May you be with them, and help our family to always remember to reach out to them. Amen.

#### **Christmas By Candlelight**

Join *Liam Lawton*, supported by the *Wilcollane Singers*, for "Christmas by Candlelight" a fundraising concert, in *St. Finbarr's South Church*, Dunbar Street, Cork on Thurs. December 6th, at 7.30pm.

Tickets cost 20Euro and available from: *Pro Musica*, Oliver Plunkett Street, Cork; *The Flying Enterprise*, South Gate Bridge, *Cork & South Parish Office and Sacristy* or by telephoning **085/1471147**.

## Remembrance Sunday

World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims is celebrated



on the third Sunday of November each year, this year it is **November 18th**. It is a day to remember those who died or suffered serious injuries in road traffic accidents and their families.

Remembrance
Service will be held at the Cathedral of St. Mary & St. Anne (North Cathedral) on Sunday November 18th at 11.30am. All welcome.

#### Thank You

The family of *John Lynch* would like to thank all who came to John's aid after his fall outside Ballyheada, after Mass recently. John, thankfully wasn't seriously injured and has recovered well. They are very grateful to everyone for their kindness. *May God reward and bless you all.* 

#### **National Collection - WMOF**

National Special Collection towards the cost of hosting the *World Meeting of Families in August 2018* will be held on Saturday/Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> in the Diocese of Cork and Ross.

This is to help defray the outstanding deficit of the **World Meeting of Families** and is part of a National Special Collection. Any support will be greatly appreciated.

#### **Active Retirement Club**

Upcoming events:- In the MARIAN HALL
Christmas Dinner/Party:- December 8th
Christmas Flower Arranging:- December 10th
(in the Main Hall) All welcome!!!!!!!!

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club annual Christmas Dinner /Party in the:Marian Hall, Ballinhassig Saturday December 8th.

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

Music, song and craic.

Tickets cost 25Euro.

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.

Early booking appreciated as numbers are required for catering. All welcome!!!!!!!!

#### **Morning Lark, Singalong &**

**Storytelling -** Ballygarvan Community

Centre (Old National School) on 'Thursdays from 11.00am - 12.30pm' Enquiries to John Reynolds 086/353842 or Tom Ryan 086/2248384. All welcome.



#### Bazaar

Annual Christmas
'Bazaar' on Sunday
December 16th at
2.00pm in the GAA Hall,
Ballygarvan.
Santa, Great Spinner prizes.
All welcome.

#### **Monster Bingo**

In aid of **Marymount Hospice** on Sunday **November 25th at** 

3.00pm in Ballyphe-18 20 38 52 74 18 18 38 46 62 7 16 \* 80 71 9 27 44 51 67 12 28 38 54 73 All welcome.

#### **Camogie Bingo**

Ballinhassig Camogie Club annual Christmas BINGO NIGHT in the Marian Hall on Saturday December 1st at 8.00pm.

Hampers galore. Great fun night assured. Baskets appreciated for hampers

#### **Childrens Day**

**November 20th** *is International Childrens Day.* 

Thanks
Old Abbey
Athletic
Club
thank all
who contributed so
generously
to their
recent
church
gate collection.

#### **Christmas Tree Lighting - Ballygarvan Village**

Ballygarvan Foroige Club fundraiser for Christmas
Lights on the Horse Chestnut Tree at the Old School
First official Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony for
the village on November 30th. Bulbs €5. Foroige members will be selling bulbs door to door over the coming
2 weeks. Bulbs also available at the Old School Prefab on Friday
November 23rd from 8.00pm -9.30pm. Your support in making this
a successful community event appreciated. Further details Caitriona
087/6695065 or Catherine 086/8707051.