Anniversaries

Frank & Finola Rice, Goggins Hill. Daniel O'Regan, Bawnleigh. Denis Healy, Killaminogue. Teresa Duggan, Bandon. John Walsh, Knocklucy. John Barry, Coolatooder. Paddy Coleman, Briar Hill. Eileen Kelleher, Knocklucy. Margaret Russell, Tulligmore. Dominic Harrington, Shanagraigue.

We Remember

Maureen Mulcahy (née Staunton) Bandon; Maura O'Sullivan (née Healy) Ballinlough; Michael O'Reilly, Watergrasshill & Whitechurch who died recently. We pray for their families, neighbours and friends.

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to *Sheila Madden*, *Corran* on the death of her mother *Maureen Mulcahy*, *Bandon*.

Pauline Jordan, Coolatooder on the death of her mother **Maura O'Sullivan**, Ballinlough;

Michelle Murphy, Skehanagh on the death of her father Michael O'Reilly, Watergrasshill & Whitechurch. Sympathy also to all other relatives, neighbours and friends. In death life is changed not ended. MASS TIMES Next Week Monday 18th:-Ballygarvan 9.30am Tuesday 19th:-Goggins Hill 9.30am Thursday 21st:-Ballyheada 10.00am Saturday 23rd:-**Ballyheada** 7.00pm Sunday 24th:-Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am Accord Bantry 2019 **Marriage Preparation Courses 2019. Details and booking Mary McCarthy

course facilitator at **085/1215984.** **Couples Marriage & Relationship Counselling. Further information and

booking 027/50272 or email: accordbantry@eircom.net

Anam Cara West Cork

Bereavement Information Evening on Tuesday **February 19th** at 7.20pm in the Munster Arms Hotel, Bandon. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. Details **085/2888888** or *info@anamcara.ie.*

You need more than eyes to see; you need vision, imagination and belief.

2019 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) email: ballinhassigparish@gmail.com www.ballinhassigparish.com Parish Priest:- Fr. Christy Fitzgerald Telephone: 4885104 or 087/9439666

Ballinhassig Parish



for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

Newsletter

Vol. 27 No. 21 Sunday February 17th, 2019 (Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time)

Fr. Christy

A BLESSING ON US!

Isn't it strange that some things never change. There is and always has been a battle going on. The battle is between contrasts; light and dark, dry or wet, or in the scriptures this weekend about the choices between bad and good or good and evil, right or wrong, blessings or curses.



To us we can't understand this about curses. It is after all a choice being made, a choice for good or bad, a choice for God or not. In the Old Testament, that's where we get most of our first readings from, they saw a curse as an infliction on someone from on high. In reality though, it was as a result of the choices a person made.

For us too, that battle is till ongoing. We are facing challenges every day and we have to make decisions every day. It isn't always easy to make the right choice and stay on the positive as a result. The Gospel from St. Luke presents us with the results, the blessings or the positive effect of the good choices we make. The good or right choices we make have a truly positive effect on the lives of others and on us as well and that is why they are truly a blessing to us and on us.

Cork Scripture Group

Spring 2019 Bible Study Module John's Gospel– Reflecting on The Word made flesh on Monday night March 4th, 11th, 25th & April 1st from 7.30pm-9.30pm at SCALA Centre. Presented by *Ms. Pauline Byrne & Fr. John Newman.* Cost 50Euro. All welcome. Booking and details:- *corkscripturegroup@gmail.com.* Bible Workshop Ecology & the Bible presented by Sr. Celine Mangan OP formerly UCD & Milltown Institute at Sacred Heat Hall, Western Rd., Saturday March 23rd from 10.00am –1.00pm. All welcome. Booking and details:corkscripturegroup@gmail.com.

Day of Prayer for Survivors of Abuse

The Day of Prayer for Survivors of abuse took place on February 15th. This week bishops gather with Pope Francis in Rome to discuss the safeguarding of children in the Church. Many, including survivors of abuse, have spoken about the importance of prayer for survivors, and the atonement in the Church.

At Mass, in the Cathedral of St. Mary & St. Anne on Friday February 15th, Bishop Buckley lit the *Candle of Atonement* and used the *Atonement Praver*. This prayer is based on the very moving Penitential Rite composed and prayed by Pope Francis at the Final Mass of the World Meeting of Families in the Phoenix.

Prayer of Atonement



Lord, forgive us our many sins.



We grieve and repent with all our heart for

having offended you, for our great failings and neglect of the young and vulnerable. We place all of those who have been hurt by the Church in any way into your loving hands and under the protection of Our Blessed Mother. Lord, bring peace to their broken lives and show Us all the way out of darkness and into the Light of your Word. May we as the people of God be more fully human, more fully Christ -like and more fully your people, that we may see the errors of the past and go forward with renewed hope and faith in Christ and in our Church. Amen.

Lourdes 2019 Helpers

The Diocese of Cork & Ross invites voung adults 18-25 to join the pilgrimage to Lourdes as helpers from June 10th to 15th. As helpers you will assist with the sick and be involved in the full pilgrimage programme - time for prayer, sharing in the history of Lourdes and making new friends. Places limited. Further details contact Fr. Charlie Kiely 4537474. All welcome.

Waterfall Garden & Lifestyle Club Will host Marznea Wachowska from The Front Porch, Macroom who will help us see our old furniture in a new light (Upcycling) in the Scout Den, Ballinora, Waterfall on Monday February 18th at 8.00pm. All welcome.

Divine Mercy Conference

The 28th Divine Mercy Conference will be held on Saturday/ Sunday February 23rd/24th in the Main Hall, RDS, Dublin. Tickets:- Saturday 30Euro; Sunday 20Euro or weekend 35Euro.

Details 086/0669210 or www.divinemercyconference.com

Handing On The Faith - Talk & Workshop (Dr. Dan O'Connell) Venue:- Blackrock Parish centre Date:- Saturday March 9th *Time:*- 10.00am-1.00pm Workshop - How to use the YOUCAT in your parish, home, school. Open to all. Cost 5Euro. Details 4537474 or pdo@corkandross.org

Family Fun Bingo Ballinhassig Camogie Club

will hold a Family **Fun Bing**o



night in the Marian Hall on Saturday March 2nd at 8.00pm. Proceeds to Ballinhassig Ladies Football Club. Great night assured. Spots appreciated.

Dinner Dance - Camogie Club

Ballygarvan Camogie Club are holding a Celebration Dinner Dance on Date:- Saturday February 23rd Time:-7.30pm Cork International Hotel, **Cork** Airport

Tickets cost 35Euro & available from:-Kathy 087/9442867 Martin 087/2683914 All welcome.

Guided Faith Filled Lenten Journey

YOUCAT/YOUCAT Companion 6 Wednesday Evenings:-

- Start Ash Wednesday

Time:- 7.30pm-8.45pm

Venue:- SMA Community Centre, Wilton. All welcome, including parish faith formation personnel; teachers; parents; young adults. Contact Máirin Ní Shúilleabháin 087/7950325 mairin991@gmail.com

Chronic Lymphocytic Leukaemia (CCL) Information & Support Event for patients with CLL and their families. Venue:- Clayton Silver Springs Hotel Date:- Saturday March 2nd Time:- 1.30pm-4.30pm. Details 086/411519 or register at www.clli.ie All welcome.

Age Action's Care & Repair Free DIY service for Older People.

This service is operating since 2009. Further enquiries to Age Action at their new office on Model Farm Road. Cork. 021/2067399.

in Ballyheada National *School* who *was runner* up in Folens Christmas Annuals poetry competition 2018. His poem

Next Meeting on:-

Congratulations



"Petcat's Jet" will be published in the 2019 Folens Christmas Annual "Siamsa" for 3rd & 4th class

Cork Regional Pioneer Council

To Ruadhán McDonagh of 3rd class



Date:- Wednesday February 20th Venue:- SMA Hall Wilton *Time:*- 8.00pm All Pioneers welcome. New members welcome; please inform anybody who may be interested in joining the organisation.

YOGALATES

Next 6 week session beginning in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig on Date:- Tuesday February 19th Time:- 8.20pm Cost 75Euro. All welcome.

Fun Bingo

Ballvgarvan Community Centre (Old School) (*Proceeds to Community Centre*) Wednesday nights at 8.00pm. BING O All welcome

Owenabui Mens Shed

Meet at **Ballygarvan Community Centre** (Old School) on Mondays from 10.00am.... All welcome to come along and see what goes on !!!!! Further details contact 086/0645848.

World Down Syndrome Day

In Aid of Down Syndrome Centre Cork Bingo at the Rock will

host their annual '*Coffee* Morning' on March 21st from 10.00am until 12noon



followed by Bingo & Fun. All welcome.