

Anniversaries

Mossie Healy, Ballinaboy.
Seamus Ahern, Barrett's Hill.
Catherine Ahern Barrett's Hill.
John Joe Spillane, Meadstown.
Catherine Spillane, Meadstown.
Maureen Murphy, Gortnaclough.
Connie Cronin, Corran.
Dan Pat Cronin, Corran.
Finbarr Crowley, Corran.
Harry Ashman, Ballygarvan Upper.
Fr. Wilfrid Aherne, Ballygarvan West.
Sr. Ellen Mary Aherne, Ballygarvan West.



We Remember

Mary (Mai) O'Keeffe, Rearour.
Kitty O'Leary, Pouladuff who
died during the week.

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



Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to
Seamus O'Leary, Kingsland
on the death of his mother
Kitty O'Leary, Pouladuff;



Phil O'Keeffe, Rearour on the death of
her sister Mary (Mai) O'Keeffe, Rearour.
Sympathy also to all other relatives,
neighbours and friends.

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



MASS TIMES Next Week

Monday 8th:-
Ballygarvan 9.30am

Tuesday 9th:-
Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 11th:-
Ballyheada 10.00am

Saturday 13th:-
Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 14th:-
Ballygarvan 10.00am
Goggins Hill 11.30am

Parish Assembly

Meeting on Monday April 8th in
the Marian Hall at 8pm.

Church Cleaning

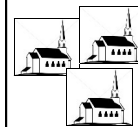
If you would like to help clean the
church for Easter come along on
Monday April 15th:-

Ballyheada:- 7.00pm
Ballygarvan:- 7.00pm
All welcome

Memorial 5K Run

Karen Fenton 5K Memorial Run on
Sunday April 14th at 12.30pm in Ballinora
in association with St. Finbarr's
AC. Funds towards purchase of new
equipment for ovarian cancer CUH.

Ballinhassig Parish



Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

Vol. 27 No. 28 Sunday: April 7th 2019 (Fifth Sunday Of Lent)

Fr. Christy writes....

TRÓCAIRE IS MERCY

We began our Lenten journey, allowing the dust of ashes be placed on our foreheads. We talked about this a few weeks ago: "Remember you are dust and unto dust you shall return" and here we are, almost at journey's end and focused once again on dust ... not the dust of ashes but the dust on the ground, dust used by Jesus to be his canvas as he wrote words that nobody seemed to read.

We know the story well. A woman dragged into a hostile crowd and left there, standing before Jesus. No words exchanged between them. The speaking was done by her accusers. "Caught", they told him, "in the very act of committing adultery". Then they brought Moses into it, telling Jesus that Moses demanded women like this be stoned to death. "What do you say?" In their minds the answer was clear -in their hands they held the stones. That's when he started to write.

Bent downwards, his finger traced letters, words, images maybe in the sand but he said nothing. They were not happy with that response. They wanted him to say "Stone her" so that other words he had spoken about forgiveness, second chances, turning the other cheek, treating others as you would want them to treat you, would all be overshadowed by his condemnation of this woman. "Let the one among you who has never sinned, throw the first stone". Turning to the ground -the dust, he begins to write again. Stones dropped, shuffling steps, muffled voices until he was alone -alone with the woman. "No condemnation?" She shakes her head. "Neither do I condemn you. Go away and sin no more". Trócaire. Mercy!

Through these weeks of Lent we have had the chance to walk towards people in their time and place of need. We have in the Trócaire Lenten Campaign, been brought face to face with people who otherwise we would not encounter, just in the quietness of reflection and in the generosity of sharing.

So, let us look now at some of the words and phrases Jesus might write beneath our feet today, knowing that we have tried to respond to the needs of those put before us during the Lenten Campaign.

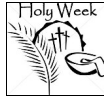
"Thank you". "Insofar as you did it to one of the least of my brothers or sisters, you did it for me". "Well done good and faithful servant".

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Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday
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EASTER CEREMONIES

SCHEDULE 2019



Sacrament of Reconciliation

Goggins Hill:- Tuesday April 16th at 7.30pm

EASTER TRIDUUM



Holy Thursday:

Mass of the Lord's Supper: April 18th

Goggins Hill 8.00pm

(Please bring your Trocaire Boxes)

"Keeping Watch in the Garden" after 8.00pm Mass until 9.30pm

Good Friday: April 19th

The Lord's Passion:

Ballyheada:- 12.00noon: *Stations & Veneration of the Cross.*

Ballygarvan:- 3.00pm: *Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday, Reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross & Holy Communion. (No Stations)*

Goggins Hill:- 7.30pm: *Stations & Prayer around the Cross.*

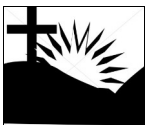


Holy Saturday: - April 20th

Easter Vigil Night Watch of the Resurrection

Ballyheada:- 8.30pm

*The Service of Light; Liturgy of the Word;
Liturgy of Baptism & Liturgy of the Eucharist.*



Easter Sunday:

**- Dawn Mass: 5.40am Meet at Ballinaboy
Graveyard & Process to Marian Hall for 6.00am Mass**

Easter Sunday: Ballygarvan 10.00am

Goggins Hill 11.30am



Liturgy Meetings



Meetings to organise Easter ceremonies as follows:

Ballyheada:

April 13th after 7.00pm Mass

Ballygarvan:

April 14th after 10.00am Mass

Goggins Hill:

April 14th after 11.30am Mass

Representatives of *Minister of the Word, Eucharist, Choir, Sacristans, Flower Groups, Church Cleaning Groups, Altar Servers, other church groups* and anybody else who would like to help in the church for Easter. All welcome

Palm Sunday - April 14th

Palms will be available and blessed at all Masses. *"Do This In Memory Mass"* for First Holy Communion children 2019.



Church Choir Interchange

Parish Choir Practice for the Church Choir Interchange on Wednesday **April 10th & April 24th** in **Ballygarvan Church** from 8.15pm-9.15pm. All welcome to join but must be free to attend both practice sessions.



On Saturday **April 27th** we welcome the **St. Francis Church Choir** to sing at the **7pm Mass** in **Ballyheada**.

On Sunday **April 28th** the **Ballinhassig Parish Choir** will sing at **11am Mass** in **St. Patrick's Church, Rochestown**.

During the Choral Festival week-end we will welcome a **French Choir** on Saturday **May 4th** to sing at **7pm Mass** in **Ballyheada**; Sunday **May 5th** the **Portadown Male Voice Choir** will sing at **11.30am Mass** in **Goggins Hill**.



Social & Active Retirement Club

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club

Upcoming Events:- April & May



Monthly Social April 11th from 2.30pm - 4.30pm.

These social afternoons are *open to all, particularly over 50's*. Afternoon includes chat, cuppa, refreshments and special guest this month *Rev. John Guirey* our newly appointed *Deacon* will give a talk on the *Diaconate* with an opportunity for questions.

Annual Outing:-

Wednesday **May 1st** (departure time later)

Itinerary:- Breakfast in the Charleville Park Hotel then on to **Bunratty Castle & Folk Park** and back to

Blarney for Evening Meal followed by chat, music and dance.

Cost 50Euro (including tickets to Folk Park, Bunratty) *Early booking essential as places will be filled on a first come first served basis with a waiting list.*



Booking and details from:-

Mairead Deasy 087/1376023; Joan McCann 087/9685484;

Irene Forde 086/8611275; Mary O'Halloran 4885062 or 086/3183645 or any committee member. All welcome.

Easter Mass Cards available in the PAN Centre contact *Mary 4885062*