Anniversaries

John and Chris Guirey, Kinsale Rd.
Bridie & John Forde, Tulligmore.
Nell Ronan, Passage West.
Eugene O'Keeffe, Rearour.
Spillane Family, Meadstown.
McCarthy Family, Skibbereen.
Mary Reynolds, Ballyhooleen.
William Reynolds, Ballyhooleen.
Johnny & Joan Lynch, Ballyleigh.
Denis Duggan, Ballymacoda &
Ballinhassig.

Carry on Regardless 2020

Show dates March 13th-16th. Limited number of Child places available, for All Ages to join the current cast. Please express interest by return text to Marian McCarthy by Tuesday October 22nd 086/0410707. Places limited due to Health & Safety guidelines.

Ballygarvan GAA

Opening of Community Footpath Sunday October 20th at 11.30am (from *GAA to Ballygarvan N.S,* initiative of *community, school and gaa)*

Championship match *Ballygarvan -v-Shanballymore* (Pat Sweeney's home team) at 12noon. Cup presented to winning team by Pat Sweeney's grandsons followed by Refreshments in GAA Hall. All welcome.

MASS TIMES

Next Week:-

Monday 21st:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Tuesday 22nd

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 24th:-

Ballyheada 10.00am

Saturday 26th:- Vigil

Ballyheada 7.00pm



Sunday 27th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am

Best Wishes

Best wishes to *John Guirey*, *Lisfehill* on the first anniversary of his ordination to the *Permanent Diaconate*. (October 14th, 2018)



History Society

Ballygarvan & District Local History Society present "SKELLICKING DAY. The forgotten Traditions of Carnival in Ireland" by Shane Lehane in Ballygarvan Community Centre (old school) on Thursday October 24th at 8.00pm (note date) All welcome.

Scout Den Ballinora Mon. October 21st @8.00pm Olive Ryan, gardener.

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) ballinhassigparish@gmail.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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Together We Are Mission From Pope Francis Message For Mission Sunday

The Church is on Mission in the world. Faith in Jesus Christ enables us to see all things in their proper perspective, as we view the work with God's own eyes and heart. Hope opens us up to the eternal horizons of the divine life that we share. Charity, of which we have a foretaste in the sacraments and in fraternal love, impels us to go forth to the ends of the earth a Church that presses forward to the farthest frontiers requires a constant and ongoing missionary conversion. How many saints, how many men and women of faith, witness to the fact that this unlimited openness, this going forth in mercy, is indeed possible and realistic, for it is driven by love and its deepest meaning as gift, sacrifice and gratuitousness.

This missionary mandate touches us personally: I am a mission, always; you are a mission, always; every baptised man and woman is a mission. People in love never stand still: they are drawn out of themselves; they are attracted and attract others in turn; they give themselves to others and build relationships that are life-giving. As far as God's love is concerned, no one is useless or insignificant. Each of us is a mission to the world, for each of us is the fruit of God's love.

This life is bestowed on us in baptism, which grants us the gift of faith in Jesus Christ, the conqueror of sin and death. Baptism gives us rebirth in God's own image and likeness, and makes us members of the Body of Christ, which is the Church.

In this sense, baptism is truly necessary for salvation for it ensures that we are always and everywhere sons and daughters in the house of the Father. What in the Christian is a sacramental reality—whose fulfilment is found in the Eucharist—remains the vocation and destiny of every man and woman in search of conversion and salvation.

For baptism fulfils the promise of the gift of God that makes everyone a son or daughter in the Son. We are children of our natural parents, but in baptism we receive the origin of all fatherhood and true motherhood: no one can have God for a Father who does not have the Church for a mother.

Team Hope Shoe Box Appeal

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It is that time of year again when it is time to start planning **Team Hope Shoe Box Appeal** *in Ballinhassig Parish*.



It's been another difficult year for many economically, weatherwise, personal loss and tragedies, illness and bereavement, but for the children who receive your shoe box gift it will have an impact far greater than you can imagine, as well as all the great gifts, you will bring smiles laughter and hope to children who think the world has forgotten them.

Worldwide recession makes no difference to them, they live with recession and poverty all their life. They are forgotten children, victims of war, diseases and poverty, living on the edge in some of the poorest countries in the world. Christmas is just another ordinary day, nothing special, no Christmas tree, no presents. But your shoebox can bring a little

hope and a practical expression of God's love at Christmas time. A shoebox won't change the world, but it might just change the world for one child, it can do far more than we can imagine, by bringing Christmas to children who have never experienced anything like it before.

The project simply works by asking people to fill an average sized shoe box or plastic container, **wrap the box and lid separately with Christmas paper.** This year boxes from Ireland will

once again go to Eastern Europe and Africa. (Last year your boxes were part of the 13,500 boxes collected in Cork) The boxes are given to children regardless of their nationality, political background or religious beliefs.

Because it is Christmas, whenever it is culturally appropriate and in consultation with local people the children, along with their box may be offered a booklet telling the story of the nativity and the life of Jesus.

You choose whether you would like your box to go to a boy or girl and what age group, 2-4; 5-9; 10-14.

All boxes are opened by volunteers at the collection centres simply to check they are ok for contents and customs purposes.

(Our boxes will go to a collection centre in Cork City)

The boxes are then sealed, sent by truck or container and will only be opened again by the receiving child.

If you would like to participate in this project contact **Mary at the P.A.N. Centre (Parish Office)** at 4885062 for further information and special leaflet which must accompany each box.

Boxes must be returned to the P.A.N. Centre (Parish Office), Cottrell's Gala, Ballinhassig or national schools by <u>November 8th</u>, 2019.

I have been associated with the shoe box appeal for twenty years and the generosity of adults and children never ceases to amaze me and is greatly appreciated by the under priviliged children who receive your gift filled shoe boxes.

The number of boxes collected continues to grow year after year. Once again your continued support would be greatly appreciated. (Mary O'Halloran)



Ciorcal Comhrá Mon. October 21st Ballinhassig GAA 7-8pm. 086/2578698.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Ballygarvan Under 12C Ladies Football Team & U16 boys who both won County Finals last week.

Ballinhassig Under 12D & Junior C Ladies Football Team who both won County Finals last week. Well done to all associated with the winning teams.





Hallowe'en Disco

Goggins Hill Parents Association invite all PRIMARY SCHOOL children to a

Hallowe'en Disco in

Venue:- Marian Hall, Ballinhassig

Date: - Saturday October 26th

Time:- 6.30pm-8.30pm

Cost:- 5Euro per child & 8Euro per family. Parents must stay to supervise their children. All welcome.

Bag 2 School

Ballyheada N.S annual clothes collection. The bag2school will donate an additional 10% to Lauralynn House, Ireland's first children's hospice. Donations of unwanted clothes, soft toys, handbags, shoes appreciated. Drop your bags to the school on: Tues. October 22nd 9.00am-9.15am Wed. & Thurs. October 23rd /24th 9.00am-9.15am & 7.00pm -8.00pm.

FUN BINGO FUNDRAISER

Ballinhassig Camogie Club –Saturday **October 19th at 8.00pm** in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig. Proceeds in aid of **Ballinhassig Parish Debt.**

Circuit Class

Ballygarvan Community Centre every Tuesday. All ages and fitness levels. Information and booking 0833198386.

Thank You PARISH FUNDRAISING WALK

Ballinhassig Parish Assembly sincerely thank all those who contributed so generously to the PARISH FUNDRAISING WALK on Sunday October 6th in aid of BALLINHASSIG PARISH DEBT.

Thanks to those who walked and contributed on the day and those who handed in their donations before and after the walk.

A total of 1620Euro was raised and lodged to the LOAN ACCOUNT.

Thanks to the landowners Denis Hickey, Jim Sheehan and Michael Murphy for their permission to walk the Mass Path to Ballyheada, James Butler, Barrett's Hill, Garda John Stack and stewards Arthur, Paul and parish assembly members for traffic control, parish assembly members for provision of refreshments in the Marian Hall & Matt & Sean for their help in the Hall, Barry for provision of car ahead of walk, Patsy Galvin, chairperson of Parish Finance Committee for his opening words, Rev John Guirey for his prayers and blessing leading the walk from the Marian Hall.

John L. O'Sullivan, local historian for guiding the walk and giving of his time and wealth of knowledge on items of religious, folklore and historical interest along the route. We were truly blessed with beautiful weather which greatly added to the walk, chat, friendship and stories exchanged on route. People had an opportunity to meet their neighbour and get to know the parish while helping to reduce our parish debt. Sincere thanks to all who helped and contributed in any way with the event. Your support and generosity made this another memorable parish occasion.

(Mary O'Halloran, chairperson Parish Assembly)