Anniversaries

Ellen Coleman, Ballynagrumoolia. John Joe Grainger, The Square. Johnny Marshall, Meadstown. Joan Desmond, Ballyheada. Paddy O'Leary, Knocklucy. Michael Collins, Rearour. Dan Coomey, Briar Hill. Tim Bernard, Meadstown. Jackie Drinan, Meadstown. Alan Kiely, Ballinabearna. Con O'Neill, Dunmanway. Kevin Clancy, Mercier Park. John O'Donovan, Timoleague. Con & Mai Bowen, Ballygarvan. Hannah & Joan Harris, Rearour. Barry & Mary Cullinane, Liberty Hill. Jim & Margaret & John Ryan, Ballynoe Thomas Whelton, Gortnaclough & Ballincollig. Con Bowen, Gortnaclough & Ballvgarvan.

We Remember

Mary Bernard (née Horgan),
Meadstown, Ballygarvan;
Andrew (Christy) Lyons,
Ballinabearna, Ballinhassig;
Catherine (Kitty) Allen (née Burke),
Riverstick;

John (JV) Murphy, Crosshaven & Ballinhassig who died recently.

We pray for their families, neighbours and friends.

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

Second Collection

Special Collection this week end **Nov. 16th/17th** 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 Nov. 30th & Dec. 1st.

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.

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),
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Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

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Fr. Christy writes...

ENDURANCE

Writing in the magazine Intercom, Jane Mellett tells us:

We are reading the final chapters of St. Luke's Gospel. Jesus is in Jerusalem and the passages we hear are talking about the end times. The people gathered are obviously excited, having seen how magnificent the Temple is, but the time for excitement might not be just yet. Jesus reminds them, and us, that these things are short-lived and we should not be too bothered about 'fine stonework' and 'votive offerings.' These things do not last.

At some point, we have all seen and heard someone shouting on the street or on the internet about the end of the world. You'd be forgiven for thinking that today's Gospel is trying to achieve the same thing.

Jesus tries to comfort the people regarding various crises that will happen; the call is to take perspective, to look at the bigger picture. Endurance is the message of today's Gospel. The people of Jerusalem will witness the destruction of the Temple, the disciples will face persecution, people of faith will have tough times ahead. Whatever crisis may come, Jesus is asking people to keep going, to stay focused and not be afraid.

'Lord, when we are young we think that we become great through our achievements. Life has taught us the truth f Jesus' words: it is by endurance that we win our lives.' (Michel de Verteuil)

Thank You

Thanks from the parishioners to all the members of the Parish Funeral Ministry Team for their dedication and time on Sunday November 3rd for the Annual Blessing of the Graves in all Graveyards of the Parish.



World Day of the Poor

This is the third World Day of the Poor and will be observed on this Sunday November 17th, 2019. 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.

Marymount

Christmas Floral Demonstration & Christmas Fair in aid of Marymount University Hospital & Hospice on Wednesday November 20th at 8.00pm in Oriel House Hotel. Ballincollig. *Open at 7.00pm.* Tickets 20Euro and available from:-Marymount 4501201 ext 228 or Marymount Hospice Shop 87 Oliver Plunkett St. Cork. All welcome.

Light Of Life

A Little Lifetime Foundation will hold their Light of Life Tree Lighting Ceremony on Sunday November 17th at 2.00pm at The Plaza, The Mall, Cork (beside City Hall). A Little Lifetime Foundation (formerly ISANDS) is a national charity supporting parents whose babies passed away at or around the time of birth. All welcome.

New Catechists

Bishop Fintan Gavin commissioned forty *Catechists* **for the Diocese on** November 8th.

The primary *Ministry of*Catechists in parishes is to accompany and offer faith formation to parents whose children are preparing for the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation as well as other faith development initiatives for all parishioners.

Anam Cara

Anam Cara West Cork is an organisation that supports bereaved parents and will hold a Parent Evening on Tuesday November 19th at 7.20pm in the Munster Arms Hotel, Bandon. All welcome, free event.

Details 085/2888 888 or anamcara.ie

Pioneer Council Meeting

Cork Regional Pioneer Council Meeting in SMA Hall, Wilton on Wednesday November **20th at 8.00pm.** Details 086/3642619; 087/9699488. All welcome.

Active Retirement Club

Upcoming events:- In the MARIAN HALL
Christmas Dinner/Party:- December 7th
Christmas Flower Arranging:- December 9th
(in the Main Hall) All welcome!!!!!!!!

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club annual Christmas Dinner /Party in the:Marian Hall, Ballinhassig Saturday December 7th.

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

Music, song and craic.

Tickets cost 25Euro.

Names and payment to:-

 Mairead Deasy
 087/1376023

 Irene Forde
 086/8611275

 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!!!!!!!!

Annual Stories Day

Ballinhassig Village Association annual 'Stories Day'

Sunday **November 24th.**

This year we are looking for any old artefacts you may have lying around, big or small. Clothes, ware, machinery or anything with a story or history attached would be great to display on the day. You might be sick of looking at it but others might love to see it. Queries or stories contact Denis **087/2688174.** *All welcome*.

Bishopscourt & Cramers Court Nursing Homes will hold a Social Afternoon for their residents in the Marian Hall on November 21st from 2.30pm-4.30pm. Dancing by Attridge Academy of Dance, Ballymartle ICA. Music by Tony Cullinane & Gus O'Carroll, waltzing etc. Fun afternoon with music, dance, chat. Refreshments served. All welcome!!!!!!!!

Bazaar

Ballyheada Parents Association:- Annual Christmas 'Bazaar' on Saturday November 30th in the School Hall, Ballyheada after 7.00pm Mass in Ballyheada. Spinner prizes, hampers etc. Support appreciated. All welcome.

Camogie Bingo

Ballinhassig Camogie Club annual Christmas BINGO
NIGHT in the Marian Hall on Saturday December 7th at 8.00pm. Hampers galore.

Great fun night assured. Baskets and items for hampers appreciated.

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All welcome.

Ciorcal Comhrá

An Ciorcal Comhrá/Irish Conversation Group continues on Mondays at 7.00pm-8.00pm in the GAA Club, Ballinhassig. All levels welcome, no charge. Information **086/2578698.**

AGM

Story

Ballinhassig GAA Club AGM in GAA Club on Thursday **December 12th at 7.30pm.**

Thank You

Thanks to all who helped with the power washing and painting in *Goggins Hill* church.

> **Scout Den,** Ballinora Mon. **November 18th** at **8.00pm**. Christmas floral & food ideas hosted by Waterfall Garden Club.