

Anniversaries

Liam Duggan, Bandon & Goggins Hill.
Teresa Duggan, Bandon & Goggins Hill.
John Twomey, Ballygarvan.
Finbarr Hurley, Corran.
Humphrey Healy, Killarney.
Mary Ellen Keogh, Youghal.
James McCarthy, Skehanagh.
Philomena Bowen, Ballygarvan.
Maureen Coughlan, Adamstown.
Michael Coughlan, Adamstown.
Walter Bermingham, Blackpool.



We Remember

Con Barry Murphy, Australia & Coolmakee;
Fr. Dermot Brennan O.P., St. Mary's Popes Quay & Mayfield who died during the week.

We pray for their families, neighbours and friends.



Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to **Ina Power, Coolatuder** on the death of her husband **Maurice (Mossie); Brendan, Deirdre, Paul, Carrie, Marie** and **Hilda Power, Coolatuder** on the death of their father **Maurice (Mossie) Power, Coolatuder;** **Sean and Katie Kehoe Ahern** on the death of baby **Matthew Kenneth Kehoe-Ahern, Bandon & Ballinhassig & Dunmanway;** **Finbarr O'Neill, Ballynaloughy** on the death of his brother **Charlie O'Neill, Montenotte.**



MASS TIMES Next Week

Monday 2nd:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Adoration:-

Ballygarvan every Monday after Mass

Tuesday 3rd:-

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 5th

Ballyheada 10.00am

Friday 6th:- (First Friday)

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Ballyheada 8.00pm

Adoration Ballyheada 7pm-8pm

Friday is the **First Friday of March.**

Fr. Christy will make the usual monthly visits to the housebound **on Friday.**

Saturday 7th:-

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 8th

Ballygarvan 10.00am

Goggins Hill

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to **Cathryn O'Donoghue, Farmers Cross** on the death of her husband **Con (Neilie); Jess, Joe and Meg O'Donoghue, Farmers Cross** on the death of their father **Con (Neilie) O'Donoghue, Farmers Cross.**

Sympathy also to all other relatives and friends of all who have died.

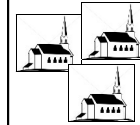
In death Life is changed not Ended.



Ballinhassig Parish

Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill



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Trócaire writes

LET LOVE CONQUER FEAR

The worry on Angela's face is clear when she tells you, "Everyone in my house has been threatened. I've been beaten and tear gassed. We watch the logging ravage the land." There is a fierce determination in her eyes too. As corporations destroy her village's forests and rivers to exploit natural resources, she risks her life to fight them and protect the future of her family.

In Honduras, native communities like Angela's Tolupan people suffer most. Now there are times when food is scarce. They just come with their trucks, she tells you. They leave poison water and lifeless earth behind. Jocsan and Nicole have ragged coughs from the dirty air, and Baby Helen's skin is infected from the toxic water. Their health centre hasn't had medicine in months.

To deepen the injustice, Angela and other Tolupane could stand trial for defending their land. "We want to protect the water, the air," she says, drawing her beloved children close with such devotion. "I have never considered giving up. I want a better life for my children."

Rains don't come. Nothing grows. And Madris – a single parent – is afraid and exhausted. Her husband abandoned her and her six children. He never returned. The relentless drought makes life even harder. "When I look at my land now," she says with sad eyes, "it looks to me like a desert."

Each day Madris labours back-breaking hours for her family. Walking the three-hour trip to haul water. Carrying heavy firewood. Tending their few chickens and goats. Trying to coax crops from scorched soil. Madris admits, "I struggle to make sure there is no day my children miss food."

More and more her heroic efforts aren't enough. Sometimes the children miss school while Madris scrapes together money for books and fees, and the family's food runs out. Alex and little Joy-Faith cry from hunger.

This Lent your support can help women like Angela and her family in Honduras and Madris to protect her family in Kenya.

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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), PAN Centre/Parish Office (phone/fax 4885062) ballinhassigparish@gmail.com www.ballinhassigparish.com Parish Priest:- Fr. Christy Fitzgerald Telephone: 4885104 or 087/9439666

Candle of Atonement

Friday February 28th marked the **Annual Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse**. On that day, in the diocese a Candle of Atonement was lit in the *Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne*.



Candle of Atonement Prayer

Lord, forgive us our many sins.

We grieve and repent with all our hearts 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.

Parish Assembly –Thanks

Sincere thanks to everyone who attended our gathering in Ballygarvan School on **Monday 24th** for all those involved in church ministries in the parish. It is important to take time out of our busy lives to gather as a faith community for discussion, reflection and prayer and remind ourselves that we must try and carry out the message of Jesus in our daily lives, whatever that may be. Finishing with the cuppa gave time for further chat and feedback.



*(Archbishop Oscar Romero)
“no set of goals and objectives includes everything. That is what we are about.*

We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay foundations that will need further development. We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realising that. This enables us to do something, and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord’s grace to enter and do the rest.



*We are workers, not master builders,
ministers not messiahs.*

Lenten Talks

Courseys Parish Assembly will host Lenten Talks as follows;
Wednesday **March 4th** March Rev. Ann Skuse (Chaplain, Bandon Grammar School) Lenten Reflection:- Ballinadee Church at 8.00pm.
Wednesday March 11th Brian Crowley (former MEP), Ballinspittle Church at 8.00pm. All welcome.

Ash Wednesday - Thanks

Thanks to those who distributed ashes to the **schools, nursing home** and the **housebound** and those who helped with the distribution at Mass on Ash Wednesday.

Stations of the Cross during Lent in Ballygarvan Church on **Thursdays at 7.30pm**. Thanks to those who lead the prayers.

Womens World Day of Prayer March 6th

On Friday **March 6th** Christian women across the world will come together to lead the community in prayer. This is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen’s initiative and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday of March.



Women's World Day of Prayer

The theme for 2020 “**love, peace and reconciliation**” and is prepared by the **women of Zimbabwe**.



World Book Day

March 5th is World Book Day 2020

It is celebrated annually in more than 100 countries on the first Thursday of March. Encourage reading, particularly children by giving a present of a book. Theme 2020 is “**share a million stories**”

Bereaved Parents Evening

Anam Cara, organisation supporting bereaved parents will hold **Parent Evenings** as follows:-**Tuesday March 10th Munster Arms Hotel**, Bandon & **Wednesday March 4th** in the **Clayton Hotel**, Cork, both at 7.20pm. Free event and open to all.

An Ciorcal Comhrá

Ballinhassig GAA Rooms on Mondays from 7.00pm-8.00pm. All welcome.

Ballygarvan Active Retired

Meeting in the Community Centre, Ballygarvan on **Tuesday 3rd at 11.00am**. All welcome to this new group.

Workshop - Choirs/Musicians

Saturday March 14th, Blackrock Parish Centre. Details and booking **021/4537474 or pdo@corkandross.org**

Social & Active Retired

Ballinhassig **Parish Social & Active Retirement Club** will hold their next monthly **Social** in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig on Thurs. **MARCH 5th** from **2.30pm-4.30pm**. (NOTE CHANGE OF DATE). Gentle chair exercises etc, cuppa and chat. All welcome.



Childminders Wanted

Wanted childminder 3 days a week, 9.00am - 5.00pm, school term only. (Mon, Tues & Thurs) for 3 children aged 4,3 & 1 in Ballinhassig from end of August. Pre-school collection in Briar Hill.



Further details contact **087-9613344**.

Wanted childminder 4 days a week in the **Ballinhassig Village area** to care for four children aged 9, 7, 5, and 2. School runs to Ballyheada.

Further details contact **087/9573296**.

Wanted childminder in **Ballinhassig** from September for a 10 month old. *Teachers hours*. Details **087/6197401**.

Wanted childminder 2 days a week in the **Ballinhassig area** to care for two children aged 6 and 2. School drop off and pick up to Ballyheada.

Further details contact **087/4186250**.



BCDA Social Dancing

Fundraising **Social Dancing** in the **Marian Hall, Ballinhassig**.

Friday **March 6th** at 9.45pm.

Music by Patrick O’Sullivan.

Teas served, great night assured.

All welcome.

Ballygarvan Walk

Ballygarvan GAA Club **Health Walk** on **Sunday March 1st**. Sign in from 11.20am and Walk will commence at **11.30am** from the *Club Rooms*. **All welcome**.