

### Next Week HOLY WEEK The churches will remain CLOSED to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus.

# Watch Daily Mass

Ballinhassig Parish:- (Holy Week) Facebook Live daily at 11am Monday to Wednesday. Good Friday:- Stations of the Cross

on Facebook Live at 12 noon. (*Christy Fitzgerald page*)

RTE News Now at 10.30am

www.corkcathedral.ie Holy Thursday:-Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30pm

*Good Friday*:-Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm.

Holy Saturday:- Easter Vigil at 9pm.

Kinsale <u>http://kinsale-parish.org/st-johns-church-web-cam/.</u> Saturday 6.30pm; Sunday 10.00am and 12noon

### **Easter Mass Cards**

Available in the PAN Centre (Parish Office) Contact Mary **4885062.** 

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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

# **Ballinhassig Parish**



# Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

### Vol. 28 No. 27 Sunday April 5th 2020 (Palm Sunday Of The Lord's Passion)

Fr. Christy....

## **HOLY WEEK**

It's certainly going to be a Holy Week like no other. Celebrating is not a word that seems to fit with what we're going through at the moment.

Yet, Jesus went from being greeted triumphantly, to being betrayed, condemned, and carrying a Cross to Calvary. But that wasn't the end of his story.



For us too, as we continue the battle against the Coronavirus there are many who have and are continuing to suffer. We continue to remember and pray for all; who are suffering from the virus, particularly those who are seriously ill, families who are grieving the loss of loved ones. People who have lost their jobs and people who are filled with fear, anxiety and tension.

We also remember with gratitude those who are working on the frontlines, especially those working in our hospitals. Doctors, nurses, cleaners, catering staff and care assistants. Not forgetting the people who staff our shops.

For Holy Week this year, we invite you to join together in prayer, online, for the great Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. You can join with Bishop Fintan and our diocese at <u>www.corkcathedral.ie</u> where the **ceremonies will be streamed live** as follows:

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30 pm Good Friday, Celebration of the Lord's Passion. 3pm Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil, 9pm.

On Good Friday, I will lead a Stations of the Cross on Facebook Live at 12 noon from my home.

### Irish Catholic Newspaper

Those who collect the *Irish Catholic Newspaper* weekly in Ballygarvan Church can now collect it at the Gala Shop, Ballygarvan. Payment can be made as usual when the church re opens. Thanks to Gala staff.

### **Words from Pope Francis**

Prayer to Mary during Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, salvation of Your People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of resurrection. Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

"Tonight before falling asleep think about when we will return to the street. When we hug, again, when all the shopping together will seem like a party.

Let's think about when the coffees will return to the bar, the small talk, the photos close to each other. We think about when it will be all a memory but normality will seem an unexpected and beautiful gift. We will love everything that has so far seemed futile to us.

Every second will be precious. Swims at the sea, the sun until late, sunsets, toasts, laughter. Strength and courage"

**SOCIAL & ACTIVE ANNUAL OUTING -**Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club Annual Outing in May is CANCELLED.

#### Candle of Easter Hope "May the Lord fill your heart with the Light of Hope this Easter"



to Light a Candle in Your

Home on Holy Saturday evening at 9.00pm.



Every year blessed candles and holy water are distributed after our Easter Vigil, Dawn Mass & Easter Sunday morning Mass but that is not possible this year with the unprecedented times we find ourselves in.

We as individuals, familes, and community groups will celebrate our Faith and Easter in a different way this year with the temporary closure of our churches.

Everybody in the parish and beyond irrespective of religious denomination, beliefs or none is welcome to join us and Liaht a **Candle** and the

#### 'individual candles will then symbolise a community of inclusiveness and Hope.'

We will remember all those who are sick especially with the coronavirus, those who have died and their families.

*May the new light of Easter shine* in our darkness and give us Hope and **Strength** in the days and

# **BALLINHASSIG PARISH HELP & SUPPORT DURING COVID 19**

# **Caring and Sharing**

In light of recent developments with Covid 19 and adhering to Government & HSE guidelines if you or anybody you know has to self isolate for a period of time remember you are not alone.

If you require a *telephone call, shopping, any* other provisions or necessities do not hesitate to call the **Parish Office** at **021/4885062** and we will help or put you in touch with somebody in your area, particularly if you are new to the parish. (you can also contact Parish Assembly members)

### **Other Contact Numbers**

St. Vincent De Paul Maurice 087/9629081 Accident & Emergency Fund Tom 021/4888116 Parish Finance Committee Patsy 086/8137203 Parish Assembly:- 021/4885062 or 086/3183645 Social & Active Retirement Club:- 087/9685484 Fr. Christy Fitzgerald PP 087/9439666 Rev. John Guirey:-021/4888279

1850 335 999 Emergency Ambulance etc. 999 or 112

#### **Helplines:-**

ALONE 0818 222 024 SAMARITANS 1850 609 090 1800 247 247, 021/4395333 LISHEENS HOUSE 023 888 8888 1800 80 48 48 1800 66 6666 021/427 42 40 HSE LIVE 1850 24 1850

# **Ballinhassig Help** & Support Team

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COMMUNIT

Heading into the unknown with the spread of Covid 19 a help and support Whats App group of 90 volunteers are available 24/7 to provide assistance of any kind to anybody in the parish. Emergency child minding, grocery or medication collection, nurses to give you a phone call, collection of any other provisions, books for adults and kids also available

This is a free voluntary service. If you are at home and in need of anything, or feeling lonely, isolated or unwell regardless of age and can't go out or won't go out help is at hand.

Contact Denis at **087/2688174** and you will be **put** in contact with one of the group members ASAP.

#### **Other Contact Numbers:-**

Cottrell's Gala 021/4885756 Dr. Pat Brady 021/4885706 Dr. John Dromey 021/4885289 Dr. Fionnuala Mills 021/4963987 Mary PAN Centre 021/4885062

Ballinhassig Garda Station:- 021/4885102 Bandon Garda Station:-023/8852200 Togher Garda Station:-021/4947120 Kinsale Garda Station:-021/4779250 Please contact us this is what community is about.

We are all in this together and we can do things to help as individuals, as a parish and a community. Working together we will rise to this challenge and show our

true sense of community spirit once again.



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