

## Anniversaries

Frank O'Leary, Adamstown.  
Moses Fenton, Ballygarvan.  
Tim Hurley, Tulligbeg.  
Michael Collins, Rearour.  
Joan Cullinane, Tooreen.  
Nicholas Cullinane, Tooreen.  
Michael Sheehan, Ballinaboy.  
Eileen O'Connell, Gortnaclough.  
Ellen Coleman, Ballynagrumbolia.



## We Remember

*Sheila Buckley, Templemartin*  
who died recently. *We pray for*  
*her family, neighbours and*  
*friends.*



## Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to  
**Helen Murphy, Ballynabearna**  
on the death of her mother **Sheila**  
**Buckley, Templemartin.**  
**Tim, Eamonn and Nora Buckley**  
on the death of their mother **Sheila**  
**Buckley, Templemartin.**  
Sympathy also to all other relatives,  
neighbours and friends.  
*In death life is changed not ended*



## Votive Lights

Thanks to all who continue to  
contribute so generously to  
the *Votive Lights collection*  
*boxes* in the three churches.



## MASS

**Under Level 5**  
**Restrictions No Public**  
**Celebration of Mass.**

### Live Streamed

### MASS Next Week

**MONDAY- FRIDAY 11.00am**

*Ballinhassig Parish Facebook Page.*

### Live Streamed

**SUNDAY November 29th**

*Ballygarvan 11.00am*

## Irish Catholic Paper

Please continue to collect your Irish  
Catholic newspaper in **Ballygarvan**  
**Church at exit door.**

The churches in this parish  
will be open Daily:- for  
**PERSONAL PRAYER**  
& **LIGHTING OF CANDLES**



**BALLYGARVAN:- 9.30am – 5pm**

**BALLYHEADA:- 9.30am – 5pm**

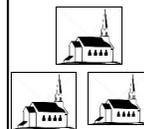
**GOGGINS HILL:- 9.30am – 5pm**

**Please wear a mask, sanitise on**  
**entry and exit, follow signage.**

# Ballinhassig Parish

## Newsletter

*for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill*



**Vol. 29 No. 8 Sunday: November 22nd, 2020 (Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe)**

*Fr. Christy ....*

## THE KINGDOM

I'm not referring to Kerry in the above title, much and all as I like its beauty. We have a King, Jesus Christ. His kingdom is not of this world and yet, in some ways we are meant to be making his Kingdom come, here and now.

What marks out Jesus' kingdom though? Today's parable reminds us that we are to act as God does and Jesus showed – by loving our neighbour, forgiving enemies and, as the parable makes quite explicit, caring for those who are hungry, thirsty, in need, or in prison. Jesus, our King, has freed us and made it possible for us to do as he did.

At our baptism we were anointed priest, prophet and king. Hearing the parable we ask ourselves, how can we act as Jesus our King did, so that people will know our King lives. That's the challenge and the question we should be asking of ourselves as we come to the end of the church's year.

As we begin to look ahead to Advent next weekend, and at Christmas, we in these Covid times of pandemic might find new ways of being hope, inspiration and care to others, just as Jesus would. After all I assume we all want to be sheep at the final judgement.

### *An Act of Spiritual Communion*

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, please come  
spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

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## The Feast of Christ the King

by Malcolm Guite

*Our King is calling from the hungry furrows  
Whilst we are cruising through the aisles of plenty,  
Our hoardings screen us from the man of sorrows,  
Our soundtracks drown his murmur: 'I am thirsty.'  
He stands in line to sign in as a stranger  
And seek a welcome from the world he made,  
We see him only as a threat, a danger,  
He asks for clothes; we strip-search him instead.  
And if he should fall sick then we take care  
That he does not infect our private health,  
We lock him in the prison of our fear  
Lest he unlock the prisons of our wealth.  
But still on Sunday we shall stand and sing  
The praises of our hidden Lord and King.*

## TRÓCAIRE CHRISTMAS APPEAL

This Christmas, Trócaire will deliver life-saving support to thousands of families across the developing world. As well as supporting people living through conflict and natural disasters, Trócaire has launched a special appeal to support families who have not been able to grow food or earn money due to Covid-19. Please consider supporting this vital work this Christmas. You can purchase one of seventeen special gifts for families, or make a general donation to the Trócaire Christmas Appeal. The Christmas gifts range allow you to buy goats, chickens, water and many more vital items. This year, there is a special Quarantine Care Kit Gift. By buying this gift you are providing vital daily care to families who have to isolate due to Covid-19.

To make a donation or buy a gift visit [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)



## Village Association

**Ballinhassig Village Association** have the following on sale in Cottrell's Gala, Ballinhassig.

**Village Calendar.** Cost 10Euro.

**Village Christmas Cards** pack of 8 for 7Euro.

**Christmas Tree Remembrance Bulbs** 5 Euro.

If you would like to sponsor a bulb on the Village Christmas Tree in memory of a family member or friend etc. you can include your names on the sheets available in Cottrell's Gala. All of the above also available from Ann at 087 2400801 or any committee member.



## ALONE

**ALONE** manages a national **support line** and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. The support line is open seven days a week from 8.00am – 8.00pm on **0818 222 024**.

To volunteer your help, visit [www.alone.ie](http://www.alone.ie)



## ADVENT PRAYER

&

## REFLECTION



Advent is a time for us to **prepare** to receive Jesus into our **hearts**, our **lives**, our **homes** & our **parish**.

We need to **invite** him.

In this season of Advent we need to turn our attention to our **inner preparation** for Christmas.

In preparation for and during Advent, beginning on Wednesday next **November 25th** a short *Lay led Live-streamed Prayer Service* will be held in one of our three churches on Wednesdays.

The first week will be Live-Streamed from Ballygarvan Church on Wednesday next **November 25th at 7.30pm**.

You are invited to log in to:-

*ballinhassig parish facebook page.*

*(November 29th is the first Sunday of Advent)*



## Readings Sunday 29th

Is. 63: 16-17, 64:1, 3-8.

Ps 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19, R/v 4.

1Cor 1:3-9.

Mk 13:33-37,

*"Rivers do not drink their own water;  
trees do not eat their own fruit;  
the sun does not shine on itself  
and flowers do not spread  
their fragrance on themselves.*



*Living for others is a rule of nature.*

*We are all born to help each other.*

*No matter how difficult it is....*

*Life is good when you are happy;*

*but much better when others are happy  
because of you"*

*(Pope Francis)*

## Thank You

Sincere thanks to our team of parishioners who continue to and have counted the parish offertory and other collections throughout the year. Your generosity of time is much appreciated.

## Thank You

Sincere thanks to all the parishioners who have continued their financial support of the parish in whatever way, especially during the Level 3 & 5 Covid 19 restrictions. Your continued generosity is much appreciated.



## Thought for the Week

**Kindness** is the language that the **deaf** can hear and the **blind** can read. (Mark Twain)

## Helplines:-

ALONE **0818 222 024**

SAMARITANS **1850 609 090**

PIETA HOUSE **1800 247 247,**

**021/4395333**

LISHEENS HOUSE

**023 888 8888**

AWARE **1800 80 48 48**

CHILDLINE **1800 66 6666**

EDEL HOUSE **021/427 42 40**

HSE LIVE **1850 24 1850**

## Radio Maria Ireland

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## Mass Leaflets

Mass leaflets for next week end available in the three churches.