## **Anniversaries**

Finbarr Kearney, Goggins Hill. William Nagle, Tracton. Derry Doody, Ballinrea. Frank Roche, Halfway. Peggy Coakley, Ballinaboy. Mary Reynolds, Ballyhooleen. William Reynolds, Ballyhooleen.

We Remember

Ina Mortell (née O'Keeffe), Charleville & Ballinhassig. Martin Spillett, Ovens & Bishopstown who died recently. We pray for their families, neighbours and friends.

# **Sympathy**

We offer our sympathy to Eileen, Teresa and Sr. Hildegard **O'Keeffe**, Adamstown on the death of their sister, Ina Mortell, Charleville & Ballinhassig. Sympathy also to all other relatives,

friends and neighbours.

In death Life is changed not Ended.

#### Mass Cards

Available in the PAN Centre (Parish Office) (sympathy cards, mass intentions, anniversary cards, birthday etc.) Contact Mary 021/4885062.

## Votive Lights

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



The churches will be **open** Daily **for** PERSONAL PRAYER & LIGHTING OF CANDLES

BALLYGARVAN 9.30am – 6pm BALLYHEADA. 9.30 am – 6pm GOGGINS HILL 9.30 am – 5pm

Please wear a mask, sanitise on entry and exit, follow signage and maintain social distancing.

Irish Catholic Newspaper We invite our regular readers to pick up their copy of the Irish Catholic in Ballygarvan Church.

Please take your Mass Leaflets. Masks and Newsletters home.

2021 Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday by Mary O'Halloran (4885062,4885257) 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**



for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

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Fr. Christy writes.

## THE GREATEST GIFT

It wasn't until we were under a lockdown that we fully appreciated what we were missing. These lockdowns were of course essential for the safety and well-being of everyone. Nevertheless, it was then, and only then, that we really felt the 'great absence' of the Eucharist in our lives. While it was great to be able to join together in prayer 'online', we felt deeply the absence of coming together, of singing together and welcoming Jesus the Bread of Life in Holy Communion.

As we are moving forward towards the lifting of restrictions on our numbers on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October, we are now able to gather, pray and welcome the Lord in Holy Communion. We have the greatest of all gifts, the most important thing we can possess and the means by which we can become one with the Lord, as we receive him in Holy Communion.

The psalmist this weekend reminds us that, "In the morning, fill us with your love, ... Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands." May we always cherish, value and appreciate the wonderful gift that the Eucharist is for all of us. May God's Word, penetrate our hearts, satisfy our deepest hunger, lift our spirits, fill us with hope and consolation when we need it and help us as St. Augustine said 'To become what we receive '

#### October is safeguarding month in the Diocese.

With the good news that our churches are open, safeguarding checks continue to take place to ensure and maintain a safe environment, as well as the yearly Parish Safeguarding Audits which are being sent out to the Parish Priest and Parish Safeguarding reps in the next few weeks.

As we welcome people back, we offer our continued reassurance of our commitment to safeguarding in the Parish and in the Diocese.

# Goggins Hill Church Bicentenary Mass

This year we celebrate the Bicentenary of the "Most Holy Heart of Mary" Goggins Hill or better known locally as the 'Mountain Church' This is the first of a trio of Bicentenary of our churches. Goggins Hill 2021; Ballygarvan 2022 and Ballyheada in 2023.



On the weekend of October 23rd/24th Bishop Fintan Gavin will visit Ballinhassig Parish as part of his diocesan parish visitations and celebrate the Bicentenary Mass in Goggins Hill.

> On that week end he will celebrate Mass on:-Saturday 23rd at 7.00pm in Ballyheada; Sunday 24th at 10.00am in Ballygarvan and the **Bicentenary Mass at 12.00noon in Goggins Hill.**

Many parishioners have given their time, talents and help over recent weeks and preparations are well underway with church painting, maintenance and cleaning. Parish Assembly along with many others are involved in preparing all areas of the Liturgy. Sincere thanks to all who have helped in any way, those who have yet to do so with preparations, and those who will help on the week end.

We are blessed to live in a parish where your generosity and continued support make our parish occasions truly memorable. This will be a special and joyous celebration of 200 years of faith for both our Parish Community and your families.

# **ROSARY Ballyheada Church October**



You are invited to Ballvheada church to join in the Rosary, or join in the Rosary Live Streamed from Ballyheada Church on Monday & Thursday at 7.00pm for the Month of October. (Apologies for no Live Stream last Monday due to circumstances outside our control as facebook worldwide was off air). All welcome.



#### **Our Lady of the Rosary**

October 7th - was the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The celebration of this feast is a day to meditate on the mysteries of the Rosary and begin to recite it again. You are invited as a family to pray the Rosary in your homes especially during the month of October.

#### **Rosary on the Coast**



Rosary at Ballinabearna Cross Grotto at 2.30pm or Garrettstown Beach at 2.30pm and after at the Grotto Ballinspittle. All welcome.

## **CARDS – MARIAN HALL**

Ballinhassig Camogie Club will recommence their 45 Card Drive in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig on

Wednesday October 13th at 9.00pm sharp.

Masks must be worn in

order to comply with Government and HSE guidelines in relation to Covid-19. All welcome.

#### **Cork Autism Conference 2021**

Thriving with Autism - Cork Autism Conference ONLINE 2021 will be held on Sunday October 17th. It will offer practical strategies and insights to support children and adults on the autism spectrum. Further details www.autismcork.ie

# **Mission Month** October

'Every Christian is a Missionary' and our Irish missionaries continue to bring the Good News to people throughout the world. World Missions Ireland, the working title of the four Pontifical mission societies, organises the Mission Sunday collection in all Churches nationwide which will be held on Saturday/Sunday October 23rd/24th.

#### **Thought for the Week**

There is nothing to be gained by wishing *you were someplace else* or waiting for a better situation.

> You see where you are and you do what you can with that.

# Anniversaries

(July-September)

Fr. Joe Murphy. Rose Deasy, Riverstick. Sean Healy, Ballyleigh. Seamus Butler, Meadstown. Tom Keogh, Rigsdale Upper. Denis Reynolds, Ballynaloughy. Annie Revnolds, Ballvnaloughv, Michael O'Donovan, Coolatooder. Patrick Giltinan, Innishannon, John O'Sullivan, Fivemile Bridge. John Forrest, Ballygarvan Upper. Edmond Forrest, Ballygarvan Upper. Margaret Hurley, Dunmanway. John & Mary O'Neill, Dunmanway. Daniel & Margaret Manning, Newcestown.

# **BCDA**

## **Car Park Resurfacing**

The Marian Hall Car Park has recently been resurfaced at a COST OF 50,000Euro. Grants were received for same but there is still a shortfall of funds.



Donations to https://gofund.me/c7abd758 or GOFUNDME.COM and then search for BCDA to donate or alternatively hand in donations to Cottrells Shop. Thanks to those who have already donated.

#### **HARVEST MOON WALK**

Kinsale Community Health & Well Being **Resource Centre (KCHWBRC)** is an Irish Registered charity & a company limited by guarantee formed with the aim of leasing and managing the old HSE Dispensary, Kinsale. The HSE has agreed this for a nominal rent on the basis it would be used to accomodate:-Kinsale Mens's Shed: **Kinsale Youth Support Services (KYSS)** Kinsale Youth Café. To help fund this a 5K FUN WALK will be held on October 22nd at 8.30pm commencing at the Community School. Cost 10Euro or donation. Register at start, httpwww.idonate.ie/ fundraiser/harvestmoonwalk