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Ballinhassig Parish NO MASS Newsletter (**1**....) NO MASS for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill Vol. 30 No. 7 Sunday: November 14th, 2021 (Thirty Third Sunday In Ordinary Time) NO MASS Fr. Christy HUNGER CRISIS LOOMING writes Your help is urgently needed in the Emergency Church Collection on 20th/21st November to save lives and lift suffering in East Africa...

7.00pm

To help lift the terrible human suffering and prevent loss of life now unfolding in the hunger crisis raging across East Africa, the Irish Bishops' Conference have agreed for an Emergency Church Collection to take place.

This collection was due to have been taken up last weekend but we didn't receive the notice on time and so we invite you to contribute next weekend. There will be a separate basket at the door as you enter and it will be marked 'Trócaire Appeal', this will give those who were disappointed last weekend an opportunity to take part in this.

Parishioners are usually so generous to Trócaire, particularly during the Lenten Campaign. This is an extra, a special collection, to help respond to the dire situation facing the people of East Africa where up to 30 million people in Somalia, Ethiopia, Sudan, South Sudan, Kenva, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo are currently facing life-threatening food shortages. Trócaire, as the overseas development agency of the Bishops' Conference, is currently addressing this and many other crises worldwide.

Trócaire have said "You can still make a massive difference by giving what you can now. Thank you so much for whatever compassion you can show"

World Day of the Poor

This is the fifth World Day of the Poor and will be observed on this Sundav November 14th. 2021. 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 each vear.

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.

Mass for Bereaved

The Annual Parish Mass for the Bereaved will be held on Monday November 22nd in Goggins Hill at 7.30pm Tuesday November 23rd in Ballyheada at 7.30pm Thursday November 25th in Ballygarvan at 7.30pm

This is usually one gathering for the whole parish but this year in the interest of safety and protecting each other from Covid the Parish Assembly & Covid Committee decided to hold a Mass in each church.

Bereaved families will be contacted next week with details.

Readings November 21st Dn 7:13-14. Ps 92:1-2, 5, R/v 1. Apoc 1:5-8. Jn 18:33-37.

Thank You

Sincere thanks from the parishioners to all the members of the Parish Funeral Ministry Team for their dedication and time to bless all the graves in the parish last Sunday November 7th. (*Templemichael gravevard* was also included this year)

Thanks also to all those who returned Faith their November Hope offerings. November Offering

envelopes are Personal Income for Fr. Christy.



Please continue to wear your mask, follow the guidance of stewards and sanitise on entry and exit from the **church**.



Active Retirement Club

CHRISTMAS PARTY CANCELLED

At a recent meeting of the **Ballinhassig** Parish Social & Active Retirement Club it was decided that regrettably for the second year in a row our:-

Annual Christmas Dinner/Party & Christmas Flower Arranging will not be held in 2021.

It was regrettable to have to make such a decision but in light of recent High Covid cases the committee felt it would be unpracticable and unsafe to organise these events while adhering to Health & Safety & Government Guidelines when Covid cases are so high in the community.

We are hoping to organise an Spring event in the Spring when the weather will be better and hopefully it will be safe to do so. In the meantime we

wish you all *Health*, *Happiness*, *Peace* and Safety in your homes & community. (Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club Committee)

Remembrance Sunday

Rove one ANOTHER

World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic *Victims* is celebrated on the third Sunday of November each year. This year it is November 21st.

It is a day to especially remember those who died or suffered serious injuries in road traffic accidents and also pray for and remember their families.

Autumn 2021 Stations

You will receive your Autumn 2021 **Ballinhassig Parish Dues Envelopes** shortly. Please return by post or hand in to the Pan Centre (Parish Office). (Enquiries Mary **021/4885062**)

Ballinhassig Parish Dues (Station Envelopes) contributions go directly to Fr. Christy as Personal Income.

Any monies intended for the Running & Upkeep of the Parish or contributions /donations to the Parish Debt (Loan Account) please specify.

Thanks for your continued support and generosity to both Fr. Christy and the Parish Funds.

TAX REFUND SCHEME 2021

If you are not already participating in the Parish Tax Back Scheme you can still participate for 2021; if you contribute by Weekly Envelope; **Standing Order; Direct Debit;** Annual Cheque, Postal Order etc. by contacting Mary at the PAN Centre (Parish Office) at 021/4885062 where confidentiality is assured.

contributions to



the Parish and Fr. Christy in whatever manner are very much appreciated especially during these unprecedented times of Covid-19.





