Anniversaries

Mary Spillane, Ballinabearna.
May Kelleher, Ballyheada.
Tom Ahern, Ballinaboy.
Mai O'Keeffe, Rearour.
Nora Harrington, Wilton.
Sean Quinlan, Bawnleigh
Nora Walsh, Ballygarvan.
Kate Conway, Ballygarvan.
Jeremiah Conway, Ballygarvan.

Church Cleaning

If you would like to help clean the church for Easter come along on

Saturday April 9th:-

Ballyheada:- 10.00am **Ballygarvan:**- 10.00am

Please bring a hoover or cleaning/dusting materials.

It would be appreciated if you could spare one hour. All welcome.

Flowers -Help Wanted

Ballygarvan Church Flower Group invite new members to join their existing group to help with flower arranging on a monthly rota basis, commit to one hour. All welcome as you do not need to be a flower arranger, flowers can be arranged in vases. If you wish, you could join in a month with one of the existing members before committing to a month. Further details contact Noreen 021/488213 or Mary the Parish Office at 021/4885062

MASS TIMES Next Week

Monday 4th:-

Ballygarvan NO MASS

Tuesday 5th:-

Goggins Hill NO MASS

Thursday 7th:-

Ballyheada NO MASS

Saturday 9th:-

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 10th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am

Palm Sunday April 10th

Palms will be available at the entrance door and blessed at all Masses.

Left over palms will be kept until next year, burned, and the ashes will be used for use on Ash Wednesday.

MASK WEARING

Please continue to wear you mask in church, not now mandatory **but still recommended.** Also please continue to sanitise on entry and exit.

MASS LEAFLETS & MASKS

Please take home and dispose of safely.

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

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Deacon:- Rev. John Guirey Telephone 087/1266257

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for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

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God of Mercy and Compassion

The woman caught in adultery is a tragic figure of her time. Women had no rights and adultery was the woman's fault. Her sentence was to be stoned to death, a gruesome and horrible end to a human life.

A reminder in these times of how women have been treated by both church and society. A time to remind ourselves that men and women were and are created equal in God's eyes. A sobering thought for us all and a reminder that we should all strive to ensure that society reflects that core value.

Jesus is certainly a risk taker. He gently but clearly goes against the teaching of his time. He reaches out with powerful mercy and compassion. 'If there is one of you that has not sinned...'. We are all sinners. None of us is perfect and we all fail at one time or another. But, with Jesus that is not a hopeless situation.

Jesus comes to bring life. He is God's gentle compassionate, forgiving and merciful presence to us all. Maybe, we could in these final weeks of Lent prepare for Easter by seeking that compassion and mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation or Confession. Like Jesus, it's not about judgement or condemnation, but being forgiven and advised that 'Neither do I condemn you.'

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Goggins Hill:- Tuesday April 12th at 7.30pm

Readings April 10th (Palm Sunday)

Lk 19:28-40. Is 50:4-7. Ps 21:8-9, 17-20,23-24, R/v 2. Phil 2:6-11. Lk 22:14-23:56.



EASTER CEREMONIES SCHEDULE 2022



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EASTER TRIDUUM



Holy Thursday:

Mass of the Lord's Supper: April 14th

Ballyheada 8.00pm

(Please bring your Trocaire Boxes)

"Keeping Watch in the Garden" after 8.00pm Mass until 9.30pm

Good Friday: April 15th The Lord's Passion:



Ballygarvan:- 12.00noon: Stations & Veneration of the Cross.

Goggins Hill:- 3.00pm: Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday,

Reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross &

Holy Communion. (No Stations)

Ballyheada:- 7.30pm: Stations & Prayer around the Cross.

Holy Saturday: - April 16th

Easter Vigil Night Watch of the Resurrection



Ballygarvan:- 8.30pm

The Service of Light; Liturgy of the Word; Liturgy of Baptism & Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Easter Sunday:

- Dawn Mass: <u>6.00am</u> Meet at Ballinaboy
Graveyard & Process to Marian Hall for 6.15am Mass

Easter Sunday: Ballyheada 10.00am, Goggins Hill 11.30am,

Ballygarvan No Mass.

(Bottles of Holy Water & Candles will be available in Ballyheada & Goggins Hill after Mass & Ballygarvan after 11.30am)

LENTEN PRAYER & REFLECTION

On **wednesdays** during Lent a short *Prayer Service | Reflection* was held in *Ballygarvan Church* at **7.30pm.**

Next week **April 6th will be the final week and** led by **Rev. John Guirey.**

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Lent encourages us to stop,

to take a **look** at our lives, to see where we are going. We are challenged to learn once again what it means to be a follower of Jesus. In this season of Lent we need to turn our attention to our **inner preparation** for Easter. **All welcome.**

Walk -Sunday April 3rd

Ballinhahhaig Village Association will hold a Walk on Sunday April 3rd in conjunction with #Climbwithcharlie# Nationwide Walks. Open to all and all monies raised will go to IMNDA & Pieta House. The walk will leave Ballyheada Car Park & Goggins Hill at 2.30pm and proceed to the Marian Hall Car Park.

Donation buckets at Church Car Parks & Marian Hall. You can also donate on line www.idonate.ie/DenisMcCarthy.

Family Fun Festival

Goggins Hill School Family Fun Festival on Saturday June 11th from 2.00pm-5.00pm. All welcome. (more details later)

BCDA Public Meeting/AGM Rescheduled for Tuesday April 5th at 8pm in the Marian Hall.

BCDA advertised a public meeting for Tuesday 22nd March 2022 in the Marian Hall.

It was extremely disappointing to find only one person attended this meeting which had to be adjourned.

The use of the Marian Hall is vital to all the community and it cannot function without the help of volunteers from our community. Two of our members are retiring and we need 2-3 people to replace them.

We are asking people to please attend our next meeting on Tuesday April 5th at 8 pm in the Marian Hall.

Our Community has hundreds of talented people. We are looking for 3 at most. Our Community Hall is for the benefit of all including our young people and it also has to clear existing loans on it, this requires people to arrange the organisation of the events etc. to help keep it running successfully. Without support from the parishioners, the directors and committee members of BCDA will have to consider their options re maintaining the hall and its availability.

Please give serious consideration to this and give an hour of your time to hear what is involved. Barry O'Halloran, Chairperson BCDA, 087/4129315, bcdamarian@yahoo.ie

Family Bingo

Ballinhassig Camogie Club will hold a Family Fun Bingo in the Marian Hall on Saturday April 23rd at 8.00pm. All proceeds to BCDA Car Park. Donations for hampers appreciated. All welcome.

For Your Diary
BICENTENARY MASS
Mary Mother of God,
Church Ballygarvan will
celebrate its Bicentenary
Mass on Sunday May 29th,
2022 at 10.00am.
(more details later)

Church Choir Interchange

This Year 2022 Ballinhassig Parish Choir will not take part in the Church Choir Interchange as part of the Cork Choral Festival. We hope to return in 2023.

SVP Monthly Church Gate Collection on Sat/Sun April 2nd/3rd. Your support of SVP collections is much appreciated especially in these challenging times.