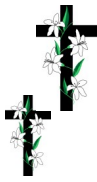


Anniversaries

Mossie O'Donoghue, Bawnleigh.
John Reynolds, Ballynaloughy.
Michael Finnerty, Tulligmore.
Peggy Desmond, Rigsdale.
Michael Walsh, Ballynoe.
Mary Roche, Halfway.
Elizabeth Duggan, Mount Mary.
Timothy O'Sullivan, Gortnaclough.
Margaret O'Sullivan, Gortnaclough.



We Remember

Agnes Dineen (née O'Reilly) Clondrohid & Whitechurch;

Micheál Lynchehaun, Ballygarvan, Mahon & Achill Sound, Mayo;

Niamh Cronin, Farranlea Road who died recently.

We pray for their families, neighbours, friends and carers.

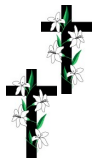


Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to *Maura Holland, Lisfehill* on the death of her sister *Agnes Dineen, Clondrohid & Whitechurch;*

Mary Cronin, Liskillea on the death of her mother *Eleanor McCarthy, Dungarvan.*

Paula Coakley, Fivemile Bridge on the death of her father *Arthur Cambridge, Pouladuff Road.*



Mass Times

Next Week

Monday 9th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am

Tuesday 10th:-

Goggins Hill 10.00am

Thursday 12th:-

Ballyheada 10.00am

Saturday 14th:-

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 15th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am

Goggins Hill 11.30am

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to *Noel Roche, Ballyhooleen* on the death of his mother *Catherine (Ina) Roche, Turners Cross.*

Pat O'Connor, Ballyhooleen on the death of his sister *Catherine (Ina) Roche, Turners Cross.*

Cronin and Reynolds families on the death of *Niamh Cronin, Farranlea Road. Sympathy to all other relatives, friends and neighbours of the above.*

In death Life is changed not Ended



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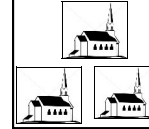
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Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill



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Courtesy Sr. Linda Soler, Intercom.

The Good Shepherd

Sheep are mentioned more than 200 times in the Bible, more than any other animal. Sheep were important as sources of wool, milk, and meat and throughout the Bible, sheep served as symbols of God's people. Jesus is portrayed as the shepherd of his chosen flock in the prophetic words of Isaiah and Exekiel, and most famously in Psalm 23, all in which belongs to the Good Shepherd.

Sheep are followers. Following isn't something they have to think about, it's an instinct. Sheep remember faces. They recognise faces of other sheep and even of humans who work with them regularly. They are almost human, because sheep remember who treats them well – and even more, they remember who handles them harshly. Sheep find safety in numbers, and when grazing sheep will keep at least 4-5 other sheep in view. They are very social and extroverted animals, for they do not do well alone, and they value supporting each other by sticking together at all costs. A lost sheep is critical because they do not do well alone.

Jesus is the Good Shepherd who cares, watches, and protects those who believe in Him. This is a wonderful message for anyone who seeks peace in God. To be in the Lord's flock is to be in a life-changing, transformative relationship with the Lord. To know the Lord is to see our life changed by that very relationship. It is to know the voice of Jesus and be able to distinguish it from others, so that in all things God may be glorified.

Mission and Ministry – Annual Collection

This collection helps to fund the supports provided in the diocese to help parishes plan for the future, support lay leadership and ministries and develop new ways of being a vibrant faith community. A new chapter in Diocesan life with greater collaboration between priests and people requires training and resourcing such as the current Synodal Process in the Diocese and so much more in the coming months.

So that all may be heard

It's not every day that the Holy Father asks every Catholic in the world to have a say in the life of the Catholic Church!

During this month of May, the Diocese of Cork and Ross is opening up ways for people to have a say and to listen and have an input into next year's Synod meeting in Rome which is called by Pope Francis.

The easiest way to find out more and to have your say is to go to synod.corkandross.org where an online confidential questionnaire is available to be filled in. (It'll take about 15 minutes.)

It's open until May 24th. All the responses will be collated and added to the feedback from meetings being held across the diocese with randomly selected groups during May. A summary document will be forwarded from our diocese at the end of May. So, it's time to have your say at synod.corkandross.org

CONNECT - Faith Gathering for Young People (18 - 35 years)

On Sunday 22nd May, young people from all over the Diocese of Cork and Ross will join together with Bishop Fintan for a special event called CONNECT. It will take place in the Student Centre in UCC from 2.30pm. The event promises to be a wonderful gathering of prayer, music, food, testimonies and sharing. To register for this event simply visit www.corkandross.org

Church Flower Collection

Ballygarvan Church Flower Group will hold their Flower Collection outside **Ballygarvan Church** on **Sunday May 15th**.

This collection is to help defray costs of flowers for Christmas, Easter, etc and this year the flowers for the Bicentenary. Thanks for your continued support.



Rosary for Month of May

You are invited to join Jerry for the **Rosary for the Month of May** on **THURSDAY** after 10.00am Mass in **Ballyheada Church**.

Also **Rosary at Ballinabearna Grotto** for the Month of May on **WEDNESDAY** at 7.00pm.

All welcome.



Graves in Goggins Hill

Those who are currently on the waiting list for graves in **Goggins Hill Churchyard**, please contact Mary at the **PAN Centre (Parish Office)** for further information at your earliest convenience on **021/4885062**.

Mass Leaflets and Masks

Please take your Mass Leaflets & Masks for disposal at home.

Social & Active Club

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club

May 12th :-

Social Afternoon in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig on Thursday May 12th from 2.30pm - 4.30pm.

Special Guest:- **Musician & Storyteller. Chat & Cuppa.** All welcome.



Exam Prayers & Candle 2022

The **Exam Candle** organised by the **Parish Assembly** will be lit at all week-end Masses in the parish commencing this week-end **May 7th/8th** and will continue to be lit until the end of the exams.



Good luck to all students who will sit exams this year and remember those who have already commenced their exams.

Intentions of students of all ages will be included in our weekly parish community celebration of the Eucharist and will continue until the end of the exams.

Short Prayer for Exam Students

Dear Lord,

Give me the spirit of calm to prepare well.

Give me the spirit of wisdom to choose the right questions.

Give me the spirit of reason to answer to the best of my ability.

Allow me do myself justice.

Help me be a source of encouragement for my classmates and friends.

Guide me through the days ahead and keep me always in your care.

May Your love be upon us, O Lord,

As we place all our trust in you. Amen.



Pray for the children of the Parish as they will receive their First Holy Communion during the month of May, commencing this Saturday with **Ballyheada N.S.**

God, our loving Father, we thank you for giving us Jesus to be our friend. We know that he loves us and is always with us.

Mass of Sick & Healing 2022
Details later.

Readings

May 15th

Acts 14:21-27

Ps 144:8-13, cf. v

1. Apoc 21:1-5.

Jn 13: 31-35.



Social & Active Retirement Club Annual Outing

Wednesday May 25th (Departure time:- Ballinhassig 9.15am; Ballygarvan 9.30am.)

Itinerary:- Tea & scones in the **Elm Tree** then on to **Youghal**, visit to **Youghal Heritage Centre, Clock Gate Tower. Youghal Promenade** for a walk or stroll and Ireland's longest boardwalk if you do not like soft or uneven surfaces.

(cafes, shops, hotel, **St. Mary's Collegiate Church** etc.) and back to **Midleton Park Hotel** for **Evening Meal** followed by chat, music and dance.

Cost 50Euro. *Early booking essential as places will be filled on a first come first served basis with a waiting list.*

Booking and details from:-

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