## **Anniversaries**

Michael Hurley, Killaminoge. Sheila Jordan, Rigsdale. Denis Madden, Ballinvoltig. Paddy Kelleher, Ballyheada. Denis McCarthy, Tulligmore.



## **Missionary Sisters** Visit June 11th/12th

We welcome the Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Apostles from Ardfoyle, Cork to our parish on the weekend of June 11th/12th to promote Mission Awareness at all Masses.

The Sisters of Our Lady of Apostles were founded in 1876 as a group of international women religious dedicated to spread the Good News through service and witness of their lives

Promoting of women and the marginalised is a priority in their apostolate.

The OLA Sisters thank the people of the Irish Church for their contributions in so many ways, and they encourage you to continue in that support.

Sr. Mary Usifoh will speak at all Masses.

## **Wanted Tradesperson**

Tradesperson to fit stairs in private house near Airport. Contact 086/3698134.

## **MASS TIMES** Next Week

Monday 6th:-

Ballygarvan No Mass

Tuesday 7th:-

Goggins Hill 10.00am

Thursday 9th:-

Ballvheada 10.00am

Saturday 11th:-

7.00pm Ballyheada

Sunday 12th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am

## Readings June 12th

Prov 8:22-31. Ps 8:4-9. R/ v 2.

Rm 5:1-5.

Jn 16: 12-15.

#### **Mass Leaflets**

Please do not leave your mass leaflets in the church. Take home & dispose. Thanks again for your co-operation

## **Newsletter on Holidays**

June 19th will be the final Newsletter until September. Please submit vour notices for the next two weeks.

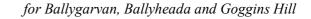
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# **Ballinhassig Parish** Newsletter



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Fr. Christy writes....

#### A PROUD COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Pentecost marks a new beginning. The outpouring of the Holy Spirit causes a great transformation, a new found courage and hearts on fire with the love of God. This is what we experienced too last Sunday as we gathered in such great numbers with Bishop Fintan, to celebrate the second of our parish bicentenaries, in Ballygarvan. Even the weather co-operated to enhance the celebrations.

It is the culmination of a huge community coming together and large numbers from all corners of the parish uniting to prepare for and help in the celebrations. People from the three church areas came together at different times to clean and paint the outside, to put up bunting, to erect the banners and memorial plaque. It didn't stop there either.

Beautiful flower arrangements greeted us and adorned the windows and altar. The children's artwork added colour and beauty to the wonderful sparkling church which had been lovingly cleaned by other volunteers. People represented the various ministry groups in the parish; Funeral Ministry, Ministry of the Word and Eucharist, Stewards, Active Retired, Parish Finance Committee and Parish Assembly along with representatives of those who had received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Communion, and all to the sound of the restored church bell calling us to prayer.

The Parish Choir under the direction of Tom Ryan, Henrietta O' Meara and supported by musicians Gerard Murphy and Eamon Long led us into a spiritual celebration of joy and beauty where we remembered the past, celebrated the present and look forward to the future.

A great credit to all concerned with special thanks to Deacon John Guirey and Mary O' Halloran for their enormous work and coordination. It goes to prove the traditional Irish saying: "Ní neart go cur le chéile". There is no strength without unity!

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## **The Farmer's Prayer**

This time of year is a busy time for the agricultural community in our parish as farmers make the most of the good weather with silage making etc.

We ask God's protection and blessing for the farming community and that their work will bare a rich harvest.

#### The Farmers's Prayer

Lord, bless the land you've given me, And may I always know As I tend each crop and creature You're the One who helps them grow.

Grant me the strength and wisdom Please protect me from harm, And thank You For Your gracious gift-



The blessing of a farm. Amen.

## **The Carer's Prayer**

God of love, our true shepherd! Fill our hearts with your strength, joy and compassion to continue to care for those in our lives, to care for those we find it difficult to care for and to be open to those in need of care.



The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self control.'

May the fruit of the Spirit continually nourish us and be ever-present within us, those we care for and those who care for us.

Lord of hope!

Give us the courage to be people of hope, to show respect, dignity, empathy, love, faith and friendship.

Help us to be truly present with those we care for and those who care for us.

And when we are over-burdened, restore us... comfort us... strengthen us... Amen.

## National Carer's Week 2022 is from June 13th -19th.

During this week we celebrate the role & contribution of Family Carers. This year's theme is 'Making Caring Visible, Valued and Supported.' Full list of events on carersweek.ie.



Help us to be truly present with those we care for and those who care for us!!!!!!

## **Family Fun Festival**

Goggins Hill N.S. Family Fun Fest on Saturday June 11th in Goggins Hill N.S from 2.00pm-5.00pm. Tickets cost 20Euro for family of 4 and available from: -087/6725132, 087/1310789, 087/6524714 or Cottrells Gala, Ballinhassig. All welcome.

#### **Best of Luck** - Exams

Best of luck to all those beginning their Junior and Leaving Certificate exams this week. The Exam Candle will continue to be lit at all Masses for your intentions.



## Ballygarvan Show - Help Wanted

**Ballygarvan Show Committee** are pleased to announce its return this year on Saturday **August 27th.** 

Help wanted with the organising, planning and running of the Show. A fantastic community day and a great opportunity

to get to know new people in your area. Further information contact:-

Ann 087/6626528.

## Road Safety

All road users are asked to please be vigilant as there are higher volumes of traffic on our roads at this time of year.

Walkers and cyclists be extra cautious and particularly those with children. There is extra

farm related machinery on the roads with the silage and hay season upon us once again.

Wear your high vis vests at all times of the did drivers.

Drivers of all vehicles be aware of the unexpected and likewise pedestrians and cyclists must also be vigilant and exercise care of themselves and other road users.

#### Social & Active Club

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club

#### June 9th:-

Social Afternoon in the Marian
Hall, Ballinhassig on Thursday June 9th
from 2.30pm - 4.30pm.

Special Guest:- *Gertie O'Driscoll*. *Chat & Cuppa*. All welcome.

### Thank You

Sincere thanks to the organising committee of the *Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club* for a great day on our annual outing. It was great to meet with friends again after two years and enjoy a great day of chat, lovely food, music and dancing.

We are already looking forward to next year. (annual travellers)

#### **PLAQUE UNVEILING**

A Plaque will be unveiled on **Friday June 17th** at **Paddy's Bridge at 7.30pm**, commemorating THE AMBUSH that took place on February 3rd 1921, during the Irish War Of Independence. (Organised by *John L. O'Sullivan*, local Historian)