## **Anniversaries**

Theresa Hennessy, Dunkereen. Eileen Walsh, Tooreen. Miah & Shelagh, Galvin, Garrettstown.

# Saturday 3th:- Vigil Ballyheada 7.00pm

Mass Intentions:-Finbarr Holland, Lisfehill. Damien Crowley, Halfway. John Tobin, Raheen.



## Sunday 4th:-

**Ballygarvan** 10.00am
No Mass Intentions:-

Goggins Hill 11.30am

Mass Intentions:John Murphy, Knockpogue.
Bridie Murphy, Halfway.
Francis & Finbarr Kearney.

Goggins Hill.

## We Remember

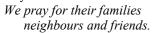
Mary Jo Lucey (née Collins) *Adamstown Lower*.

David O'Sullivan, Rigsdale.

Anthony Dwyer, Upper Rigsdale.

Joan Coakley, Douglas.

**Terry** (Alice Teresa) Leggett (née Keegan), *Ballynoe* who died recently.



In death Life is changed not ended.

## MASS TIMES Next Week:-

Tuesday 6th:- Feast of Epiphany Goggins Hill only 9.30am

Wednesday 7th:
Goggins Hill NO MASS

Thursday 8th:-

Ballyheada 9.30am

Friday 9th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Saturday 10th:
Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 11th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am

## **Diocesan Needs Collection**

Special collection next week end Saturday/Sunday **January 10th/11th** will be the first quarterly collection for diocesan needs 2026.

#### **Christmas Crib Donations**

Sincere thanks to all who have already donated to the **Crib** collection boxes in our three churches.



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Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday by Mary O'Halloran (021 4885 062, 021 4885 257)
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# Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter



for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

Vol. 34 No. 17 Sunday: January 4th, 2026 (Second Sunday Of Christmas)

Mary O'H writes...

## **New Year Wishes 2026**

Family is something we all hold dear to our heart and nowadays the meaning has changed from what we once considered the traditional meaning of family. At the onset of a New Year we always hope for a brighter tomorrow for our parents; grandparents; siblings; uncles and aunts; nephews, nieces, cousins, inlaws, guardians, other members of blended families, neighbours and friends and wish that no cloud of sorrow can mar the happiness in their life's horizon.

May this New Year bring you happy and memorable times, and if the year gone by has been bitter sweet let us continue to be each other's pillar of support in the weeks, months and new year ahead.



Let us all pray for one another and promise to be by each other's side in the days ahead. This Year may the sunshine of happiness always be radiant in your heart and the dove of peace find a nest in your hearth.



## Quiet Prayer to begin the New Year

May those who feel broken find healing.

May the sick regain strength.

May hearts weighed down by sadness
feel hope again.

May the lonely feel loved,
the hungry be fed.

And may peace find its way into our world.

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2026

## **New Year's Prayer 2026**

May God make your year a happy, safe & healthy one!

Not by shielding you from all sorrows and pain,

But by strengthening you to bear it, as it comes;

Not by making your path easy,

But by making you sturdy to travel any path;

Not by taking hardships from you,

But by taking fear from your heart;

Not by granting you unbroken sunshine,

But by keeping your face bright, even in the shadows;

Not by making your life always pleasant,

But by showing you when people and their causes need you most,

and by making you anxious to be there to help.

Wishing you and yours God's Love, Peace, Joy, Health, Safety and Hope in 2026.

## Votive Lights

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



## Readings January 11th

Is 42:1-4, 6-7. Ps 28:1-4, 9-10, R/v 11.

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Acts 10:34-38. Mt 3:13-17.

## Elderly Neighbours

This time of year, especially in this cold spell when the days are short, nights can be long and lonely for the elderly, especially those living alone. Make an effort to phone, or call in person to your elderly neighbours and those living alone, a quick hello or chat would mean a lot.

Be vigilent of strangers or suspicious vehicles in your area. If in doubt contact the Gardai with registration numbers or descriptions of persons or vehicles.

## **Helplines**

ALONE **0818 222 024** 

SAMARITANS **1850 609 090** 

PIETA HOUSE 1800 247 247, 021/4395333

EDEL HOUSE 021/427 42 40

LISHEENS HOUSE 023 888 8888

AWARE

1800 80 48 48

CHILDLINE 1800 66 6666

## Thought for the Week.

People wait all day for 5.30pm; All week for Friday; All summer for Winter; All winter for Summer and all of Life for Happiness.

Don't let the pursuit of tomorrow diminish the Joy of to-day.

## Group Pilgrimage To Medjugorje

Direct Flights from Cork to Mostar—Medjugorje.

May 27th to June 3rd 2026.

Cost 855.00Euro (905.00Euro after January 30th) Full Religious programme operated by Marian Pilgrimages Medjugorje Team.

Price includes flights, 7 nights accommodation with breakfast and dinner, coach transfers, taxes.

Not included:-

Travel Insurance and Single Room Supplement.
Details and booking Angela **087 6140 076**. **101 8788 159**. All welcome.

## Pilgrimage - Rome, Assisi & San Giovanni Rotondo. (11Days)

Pilgrimage includes private coach from Cork to Shannon on **August 29th 2026** and direct flight to Rome from Shannon. Highlights will include Wednesday Papal Audience in St. Peters Square, visits to the tombs of Pope Francis, St. Carlos Acutis, St. Francis of Assisi and St. Pio. Price will include Hotel with breakfast and evening meals. Check in assistance at airports.

Spirital Director:- Fr. Michael O'Leary.
Group Leader:- *Jim Keogh*. Places limited and allocated on a first come first served basis.
Further details & booking Jim Keogh 021 4885 371 087 2678 793. All welcome.

#### Village Calendar 2026

Extra copies of Ballinhassig Village calendar 2026 will be available shortly. To reserve a copy contact **087 2688 174.** 

## **Beginner Jive Classes**

Three week *beginners Jive* classes commencing in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig on Sunday **January 11th** at **4.15pm**, concluding at 5.30pm. Cost 40Euro pay on week one. Further details **1087 3995 877.** 

All welcome.

## First Saturday Prayers

First Saturday prayers continue in Ballyheada church at **6.25pm** *before* 7.00pm Mass.

## **Adoration in Ballygarvan** church on Fridays after

9.30am Mass. First Friday - **Holy Hour Ballyheada** 7.00pm-8.00pm All welcome.

## **ALONE**

ALONE is a national organisation and registered charity that supports older people to age at home, providing services such as:-

\*\*\* Befriending and Support - combating loneliness and isolation

\*\*\* Practical Assistance - helping with housing, health and day to day needs

\*\*\* Advocacy - ensuring older peoples voices are heard.

Their Volunteers are the heart of what they do. They provide companionship, practical help and reassurance to thousands of older people across Ireland. Their work is vital, especially during the colder months when isolation can be most acute.

ALONE are looking for Telephone and Visitation Volunteers to support older people in the Community. One hour a week can make all the difference.

Contact 0801 222 024 or ALONE.ie/Volunteer.

