

Anniversaries

John, Rita & Ted Harnedy, Youghal.
John T. Murphy, Ballyhooleen.
John Desmond, Rigsdale.
Finbarr Hurley, Corran.
Sr. Thaddeus Murphy, Ballyhooleen.
Padjum Doody, Ballygarvan & London.



Saturday 21st:- Vigil

Ballyheada 7.00pm

*Mass Intentions:-
Daniel O'Regan, Bawnleigh.*

Sunday 22nd:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am

*Mass Intentions:-
Mary & Michael Kelly, Glasheen.*

Goggins Hill 11.30am

*Mass Intentions:-
Frank & Finola Rice, Goggins Hill.
Paddy & Hannah Coleman, Briar Hill.*

We Remember

Michael Gavin, Dublin & Mayo who died recently.

*We pray for his family
neighbours and friends.*

Matt Talbot

Matt Talbot Mass & Novena:-
Monday February 23rd at 7.30pm in
The Way of the Cross, Church, Togher.
Celebrant:- Fr. Dan Baragry C.Ss.R.,
Scala, Blackrock. All welcome.

2026 Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday

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MASS TIMES Next Week:-

Wednesday 25th:-

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 26th:-

Ballyheada 9.30am

Rosary for Lent after 9.30am Mass

Friday 27th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Adoration after 9.30am Mass

Saturday 28th:-

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 1st:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am

Goggins Hill 11.30am

Ash Wednesday

Thanks to those who distributed
*Ashes at Mass, in the three schools,
Bishopscourt Nursing
Home & those who brought
Ashes to the three churches.*



Family Carers

Family Carer Information Session on
February 26th at the Talbot Hotel,
Ballincollig from 10.30am-2.00pm.
Family Carers Ireland in attendance.
Details 086 0759 064 or
www.familycarers.ie 1800 24 07 24

Ballinhassig Parish

Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

Vol. 34 No. 24 Sunday: February 22nd, 2026 (First Sunday Of Lent)

Fr. Danny
writes...

Spring Dues 2026

Spring Dues 2026 envelopes are available at all doors of the three churches. Alternatively, if you are using the boxed set of offertory envelopes, a Spring Dues envelope is included for this Sunday, February 22nd. All Spring Dues envelopes can be placed in the collection baskets during offertory collections at Masses this weekend and in the coming weeks. Sincere thanks for your generous support to Father Danny in this and other contributions throughout the year.

Trócaire – Lent

Traditionally, during **Lent** we make a special effort of supporting our brothers and sisters in need. We in Ireland, have done that through the **Trócaire Lenten Campaign**. **Trócaire boxes** are now available in the three churches and distributed to the three schools in the parish.

Across Rwanda, severe storms are striking faster and more often, sweeping away homes, schools and crops before they can recover from the previous one. Women carry the heaviest burden – farming the fields, feeding their families and holding communities together. Last year, with your help, Trócaire helped 40,000 people across Rwanda. Your generosity again this year will continue to help women and their families withstand the severe effects of climate change and build resilience for the next generation. *Please give generously.*

Readings March 1st

Gn 12:1-4.

Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22, R/ v 22.

2Tm 1:8-10.

Mt 17:1-9.



Lenten Prayer & Reflection

During Lent,
We should try the key to our heart's door,
It may have gathered rust.
If so, this is the time to oil it,
In order that the heart's door
May open more when the Lord Jesus
Wants to enter at Easter time!
Lord, oil the hinges of our heart's door
That they may swing gently and easily
To welcome your coming.



Let us pray that we will try harder to love you in all things that we say and do
and in all the choices that we make during the season of Lent.

May we always be people of love and forgiveness. As we
journey with you this Lent may we become closer to you,
grow to know you more and learn to live a new way.
As we remember your death, Jesus, we know that it was a sign of
God's great love for us.



Live in our hearts this Lent and help us to share this love with our families,
friends, and everyone that we meet. Help our home to be a place of peace and love.
We remember families who are in difficulty because of addiction, unemployment,
violence, sickness or suffering in any way. Protect them and keep them safe. Amen

Lenten Season of Reflection

Lent began on Ash Wednesday, we received **ashes** as an outward sign of our willingness to turn back to God. We also fasted on the day as Jesus did in the desert. The Gospel tells us how to approach that renewal of our lives by **prayer, fasting and almsgiving**. We are encouraged to stop, to take a look at our lives, to see where we are going. It is at this time of the year that we are encouraged to step out of our usual patterns of life and become more aware of our relationship with ourselves, with others and with our God.

The Trócaire Box will serve as a reminder of the giving aspect of the Lenten season.



LENT.....

Lent began on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday. It lasts for **forty days**, reflecting the forty days that Jesus spent in the desert.

Lent is a time for **prayer, fasting and almsgiving**. **Purple** vestments are worn by the priest during **Lent**. The **Gloria** and **Alleluia** are not prayed during **Lent**. Decoration of the altar and sanctuary are simple during **Lent**. **Lent** is a time to **give up or take up** in preparation for **Easter**.



Sacred Space

You are invited to create, if you have not already done so, your own *Prayer/Sacred Space at home for Lent*.

Use a purple cloth and any of the following if you have them.



Ashes -to remind us of the passing nature of our lives;

A Cross - symbol of Love & Hope;

Holy Water -reminds us we are preparing to renew our baptismal promises;



Candle -reminds us that the Light of Christ is with us during our Lenten Journey and we are preparing ourselves for the new fire that will be lit at the Easter Vigil;

An Open Bible -reminds us of the central place of God's Word in our lives;
Heart -this can be cut out of paper or material and reminds us that Lent affords us an opportunity to open our hearts to God.



Thought for Lent

Instead of giving up something for Lent consider taking up something.

- *** Family Prayer
- *** Pray the Rosary
- *** Call to the Church and pray the Stations of the Cross
- *** Do something for a family member, neighbour or someone in need.



Lenten Prayer

During Lent on Thursdays

Jerry O'Sullivan will lead the Rosary after 9.30am Mass in Ballyheada.

Adoration on Fridays after 9.30am Mass in Ballygarvan.

Join your fellow parishioners for prayer as we are challenged to learn once again what it means to be a follower of Jesus.

Cork Scripture Group

Spring 2026 Bible:-

"Rejoice in the Lord always! Again, I say rejoice! (Phil. 4:4)

Monday nights for **four weeks** at Scala Centre, Blackrock from 7.30pm-9.30pm. All welcome.

Monday **March 2nd**:

Lost in translation? Joy in Luke's Gospel. *Seán O'Sullivan*.

Monday **March 9th**:

Restore to me the Joy of my salvation Psalm 51:12.
Pontianus Jafla Vitalis.

Monday **March 16th**:

Joy in the Old Testament: The other side of sorrow? *Rosalie Moloney*.

Monday **March 23rd**:

'So that your joy may be complete'. Joy in John's Gospel. *Phil Mortell*.

Bible Workshop March 21st from 10.00am -1.00pm in the Crypt, Dennehy's Cross Church.

Reflecting on the theme of joy in the Psalms with *Seán Goan*.

Cost for Module & Workshop is 50Euro, Workshop only 10Euro.

Booking essential at:

corkscripturegroup@gmail.com

Céílí - Marian Hall

Céílí in the Marian Hall on Friday:-
February 27th at 9.00pm.

Music by *Ger Murphy & Ken Cotter*
Admission 10.00Euro.

Refreshments served. All welcome.

Social Dance - Marian Hall

Social Dancing in the Marian Hall on Friday:- **March 6th at 9.00pm**.

Music by *CHECKERS*

Admission 10.00Euro.

Refreshments served. All welcome.