

Anniversaries

Timmy & Agnes Whelton, Bandon.
 John Twomey, Ballygarvan.
 Christina Kiely, Ballyheada.
 Hannah Deasy, Bawnleigh.
 Denis O'Leary, Killarney.
 Mary Holland, Liskillea.
 Kate Twomey, Lissarda.
 Tadgh Twomey, Lissarda.
 John O'Keefe, Kingsland.
 Michael Desmond, Ballyheada.
 John Desmond, Rigsdale Upper.
 Jim & Eileen Moynihan, Ballea Rd.
 John & Hannah Collins, Ballinspittle.
 Catherine Harris O'Sullivan,
 Ballygarvan Upper.



We Remember

Bridie Kennefick (nee Healy), Killingley
 who died during the week.

We pray for her family,

As each day dawns we think of you;
 As each night fall we pray for you;
 And throughout our lives no matter where
 In our heart you are always there.



Station

Goggins Hill:-
 Friday March 18th at 8.00pm
 In the home of **Micheal and**
Miriam de Barra.



2016 Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday
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MASS TIMES Next Week

Monday 7th:-
Ballygarvan 9.30am

Tuesday 8th:-
Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 10th:-
Ballyheada 10.00am

Saturday 12th:-
Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 13th
Ballygarvan 10.00am
Goggins Hill 11.30am

Special Collection

The Special Collection next week
 end Saturday/Sunday **March**
12th/13th is for the **Bishops' Com-**
mission. This collection helps fund
 the work of the Irish Bishops' Con-
 ference and its agencies and com-
 missions. Your support appreciated.

Thank You-Flowers

Ballyheada and Goggins Hill
Church Flower Groups would like
 to sincerely thank all those who con-
 tributed so generously to their recent
 church collections for church
 flowers. Your continued
 support is much appreciated.
Ballygarvan Church Flower
Group collection later.



Ballinhassig Parish

Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill



Vol. 24 No. 29 Sunday: March 6th, 2016 (Fourth Sunday Of Lent)

Mary O'Halloran
 submits....

Happy Mothers Day



Mothers Day in Ireland?

The history of celebrating **Mothering Sun-**
day or Mothers Day in Ireland can be
 traced to the medieval practice where chil-
 dren from poor families were sent to work
 as domestic servants and apprentices to
 work with the rich. Once in the year in the
 middle of **Lent** the children were given a
 day off to visit their '**Mother Church**' and
 worship the Virgin Mary. After visiting the
 Mother Church or Cathedral of their home
 town these children visited
 their mothers and presented
 them with flowers they
 picked along the way. Some
 girls baked a special Mother-
 ing Cake on the day.



Patterns of living changed after the Indus-
 trial Revolution and Mothering Sunday
 celebrations almost lapsed. The custom
 was revived after World War 11.

We now celebrate Mothers Day on the
fourth Sunday of Lent.

On this day people present
 their mothers with cards,
 flowers and other gifts to
 express love and gratitude.



Mother you've always been there
 through tears and *laughter*, too.

You held my hand
 when I was scared,
 your *love* always
 saw me through.

Now I'm *grown up*
 and I hope I've become
 all that you wished
 I could be-
 The love and *wisdom*
 you always gave
 means everything to me.



Wishing all Mothers; Grandmothers;
Great Grandmothers; Godmothers;
Stepmothers; Foster mothers etc. of the
parish, and Mothers everywhere a very
Happy Mother's Day this Sunday
March 6th, 2016.

We also remember and pray for all those
who have left their earthly homes and
returned home to God.
You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

A Mother's Love

There are times when only a Mother's love can understand our tears, can soothe our disappointments, and calm all of our fears.



There are times when only a Mother's love, can share the joy we feel when something we've dreamed about, quite suddenly is real.



There are times when only a Mother's faith, can help us on life's way and inspire in us the confidence, we need from day to day.

For a Mother's heart and a Mother's faith and a Mother's steadfast love Were fashioned by the Angels And sent from God above...



(author unknown)

Mothers

The most important person on earth is a Mother. She cannot claim the honour of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not.



She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral – a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body...

The angels have not been blessed with such a grace.

They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can.

Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature; God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation...

"What on God's good earth is more glorious than this; to be a Mother?"

(Cardinal Joseph Mindsze)

Daffodil Day March

Daffodil Day March 11th, 2016 is the biggest and longest running fundraising day for the Irish Cancer

Society, Ireland's national cancer charity. Irelands *first*

Daffodil Day was held in 1988. Charles Cully, a founder member was visiting friends in Toronto, Canada in 1987 where he met the daughter of one of the founders of Toronto Daffodil Day.

She recounted how a small group of volunteers got together to sell daffodils and started their first Daffodil Day.

Inspired by the concept he returned home to organise the *first Daffodil Day in 1988*. On that first Daffodil Day hundreds of volunteers gathered at head quarters in Dublin to collect their daffodils for selling which had all been donated.

On *Daffodil Day* thousands of volunteers around Ireland come together and with kindness and generosity, help to raise millions of euro by selling pins, flowers etc. to raise funds for the Cancer Society's *free*, nationwide service for those with, and affected by, cancer in Ireland. A vital part of the work of the Irish Cancer Society involves helping those at the end of their cancer journey to die in their own home, surrounded by their loved ones. This service is carried out by the Night Nurses who provide care of the patients in their own home, giving them comfort, familiarity and dignity during their last nights and also provide help and support to their families.

Daffodil Day as well as fundraising is also a Day of Hope. It represents hope that we will never forget those who we have lost to cancer; hope that those affected by cancer will get the care they need; and hope that one day we will overcome cancer.



Carry on Regardless

Carry on Regardless 2016 Music & Comedy Show will be held in the **Marian Hall, Ballinhassig** from **Wednesday March 16th – Sunday March 20th**.

Tickets: Adults 12.50Euro; Kids 5Euro.



Tickets on Sale:- Marian Hall every Tuesday & Thursday commencing on March 8th from 7.00pm-8.00pm. All tickets must be purchased or pre-booked in advance.

Further details & booking 087/7995183.

Fun Bingo Night

Ballygarvan Camogie Club will hold a **Family Fun Bingo Night** in the GAA Rooms on **Friday March 18th at 8.00pm**. Amazing prizes. All welcome.



Cake Sale

Ballyheada Parents Association will hold a 'Cake Sale' in **Ballyheada N.S.** on **Saturday March 12th at 7.30pm** (after 7.00pm Mass) All proceeds will be used to purchase '*New School Team Kit*' Your support appreciated.



Mens Shed

Meeting of the newly formed *Ballinhassig Parish Mens Shed Group* in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig on **Tuesday March 8th** at 11.00am. New members welcome.

Childminder available to mind baby or child in minders own home, Ballygarvan area. Contact Imelda **087/9760901**

Daffodil Day

Coffee Morning

A coffee morning will be held on **Daffodil Day, Friday March 11th**, in the home of *John O'Callaghan, "Fuchsia" Rathroe*, Ballinhassig from **10.00am-6.00pm**. All proceeds in aid of the Irish Cancer Society.



Knit and Natter

Tuesday nights from 8.00pm-9.30pm in *Ballygarvan Community Centre*. Come along if you enjoy knitting, crocheting or any needle craft, beginners welcome.

Further details **086/4631390**.

All welcome!!!!



An Ciorcal Comhra

Irish Conversation Group

Seachtain na Gaeilge 2016

Bingo le Spraoi (fun Bingo through Irish) *An Luain*

(Mon March 7th, 7.30pm-8.30pm)

Ballinhassig GAA Rooms Oiche iontach don teaglaigh (Great night for families)

Cead isteach (entry) 5Euro per family

All proceeds to:- Ballinhassig GAA Club; Ballinhassig Camogie Club; Ballyheada N.S. and Goggins Hill N.S.

Afternoon Tea Dance

Ballinspittle Friendship Group invite you to an: **Afternoon Tea Dance** on **Monday March 7th:- Time 2.30pm-5.30pm**

Ballinspittle Community Centre. Admission 5Euro, All welcome.

