## **Anniversaries**

Nora May O'Donovan, Watergrasshill. Patrick O'Donovan, Coolatooder. Mary O'Donovan, Coolatooder. Timothy Galvin, Inchigeela. Nellie Buckley, Kinsale. Finbarr Hurley, Corran. John Desmond, Rigsdale. Mary Collins, Ballea. Mary Ellen Keogh, Cobh. John Clarke, Rochestown, Declan Madden, Ballinvoltig. Eileen Kelleher, Knocklucy. James McCarthy, Skehanagh. Walter Bermingham, Blackpool. Sean O'Halloran, Rathfarnham. Padjum Doody, Ballygarvan & London. Denis Minihane, Rathmacullig West & Ballea.

### We Remember

Theresa Duggan, (née Walsh)
Mount Pleasant, Bandon;
Elaine O'Riordan, (née
McEniry), Spur Hill, Togher who
died during the week. We pray for
their families, neighbours and friends.

# **Sympathy**

We offer our sympathy to *Margaret*, *Con and Bridget Duggan*, *Goggins Hill* on the death of their mother *Theresa Duggan*, Bandon; *Liam Duggan*, Bandon on the death of his wife Theresa and *John Walsh* on the death of his sister Theresa Duggan. *In death life is changed not Ended*.

#### **MASS TIMES** Next Week

Monday 27th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am Tuesday 28th:-

Goggins Hill 9.30am

#### Wednesday 1st:- Ash Wednesday

Ballygarvan 9.45am Goggins Hill 7.30pm

Ashes will be distributed at both Masses and to the school children and nursing home of the parish.

Ash

#### Day of Fast & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent and is one of only two days in the year, (the other being Good Friday) that are days of Fast & Abstinence. We abstain from meat on these two days and fast by eating less than normal, as a form of penance. People between 18–59 are to Fast and those over 14 years to abstain from eating meat.

#### Thursday 2nd:-

Ballyheada

10.00am

#### Friday 3rd:- (First Friday)

Ballygarvan 9.30am Ballyheada 8.00pm

Adoration Ballyheada 7pm-8pm Friday is the First Friday of March. Fr. Christy will make the usual monthly visits to the housebound on Friday.

#### Saturday 4th:-

Ballyheada

7.00pm

#### Sunday 5th:-

Ballygarvan Goggins Hill 10.00am 11.30am

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Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday by Mary O'Halloran (4885062,4885257) Mary O'Donovan (4888268), PAN Centre/Parish Office (phone/fax 4885062) info@ballinhassigparish.com www.ballinhassigparish.com Parish Priest:- Fr. Christy Fitzgerald Telephone: 4885104 or 087/9439666

# Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter



for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

Vol. 25 No. 24 Sunday: February 26th, 2017 (Eight Sunday In Ordinary Time)

Fr. Christy writes ....

## We are not alone!

Its not too easy to forget about abour human needs, the food on the table, the education of the children. These are the essentials of life too. Is Jesus really asking us to completely forget about them? I dont think so, but, I do think is he suggesting that we keep things in perspective.

The world in which we live presents many must have things to us and yet when we achieve them, the saitsfaction is fleeting; be it the well paying job, the new car, or latest version of our favourite toy or gadget. Jesus is saying that the world can only satisfy us in a fleeting way until the next big thing comes along.

As the psalmist says, 'God alone can satisfy, he is our rock, our stronghold and our fortress and in him alone do we find rest.' Free ouserselves of worry and place our trust, our hope, our dreams, along with our very selves into the hands of the One who cares, heals and makes us complete.

We are clearly reminded that God never forgets his own. If he values the birds of the air and the flowers of the field, all part of his creation, how much more improtant are we who are made in his image and likeness. God never forgets his own.

We are valued, cherished and greatly loved and that is all we truly need.

## **Day of Divine Mercy -Lent**

The *Cork Divine Mercy Apostolate* will have a Special Day of Divine Mercy in Lent on Sunday March 5th at St. Augustine's Church, Washington St., Cork. Confessions from 2pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy; Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Stations of the Cross: Talk by Fr. Igor Simonovis; Benediction and Mass 4pm. All welcome.



# **Pilgrimage Holy Land**

(Ex Cork) Sunday 8th October - Mon. 16th, October 2017 Spiritual Director: - Fr. Christy Fitzgerald, P.P. Ballinhassig (Cork and Ross Diocesan Director of Liturgy & Ecumenism)

Group Leader: Jim Keogh Highlights include: Jerusalem, Via Dolorosa, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Mount of Olives, Sea of Galilee, Cana. Trip includes:- Return Flights, 8 nights 4\* hotels, dinner, b&b, entrance fees, English speaking Christian guide. Please note that places are strictly limited and are allocated on a first come first served basis.

**Reserve your place now:** Further information and details please contact MAP travel, 36 Upper O'Connell St, Dublin 1 01/8783111 or Jim Keogh at 4885371 or **087/2678793.** All welcome.

Pilgrimage Holy Land Monday June 12th – Thursday June 22nd

Spiritual Director:- Fr. John Newman. Group Leader:- Mícheál de Barra Few places remaining. Information & booking email: Mícheál culturaltoursireland@ireland.com or 00353 86 833 7681

# The Gospel Of Life

Four sessions on what the Gospel says to us about the 'care of creation. sacredness of human life etc.' by Sr. Karen at the Pastoral Development Office, Ballyphehane on Tuesday March 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th from 10.30am-12.15pm. No cost. Booking essential 021/4537601.

#### **Trócaire Lenten Campaign** Traditionally, during *Lent* we make a spe-

cial effort of supporting our brothers and sisters in need. We in Ireland have done that through the Trócaire Lenten Campaign. Trócaire boxes are available in each

Church and through the schools. This year the focus of the Lenten Campaign is on Honduras.

# **Temperance**

Sunday February 26th is Day of Prayer for Temperance. Remember in prayer today all who suffer from addictions and their families who share in the suffering.

# **Shrove Tuesday**

On February 28th gather with neighbours, family or friends and share Pancakes before the Lenten season begins.

#### Seachtain na Gaeilge

March 1st-17th celebrate the Irish language with the Cúpla focal.

# **World Book Day**

March 2nd is World Book Day. Encourage reading, particularly children by giving them a present of a book.

# March 3rd Day of Prayer for

survivors and victims of clerical sexual abuse -initiated by Pope Francis.

# **Womens World Day of Prayer March 3rd**

On Friday March 3rd Christian women across the world come together to lead the community in Women's World Day of Prayer prayer. The theme for



Lent

2017 "Am I being unfair to you?" and is prepared by the women of the Philip*pines*. The prayer service is based on Genesis 1:1-31 and ask us to pray for a more just world for all people.

# **Archdeacon Duggan**

Kinsale History Society will present a lecture by Terry Connolly on 'Archdeacon Tom Duggan' in the Temperance Hall, Kinsale on Thursday March 2nd at 8.00pm. All welcome.

#### **Lenten Path**

During Lent we are encouraged to stop, to take a look Figure at our lives, to see where we are going. We are challenged to learn once again what it means to be a follower of Jesus.

- .. Lent begins 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 *sanctuary* and altar are *simple* during Lent. It is a time to give up, take up preparing for Easter.

Thought For The Week We don't see things as they are We see things as we are.

## **Stations**

Kathleen Coleman.

Ballynagrumoolia/Briar Hill:-Saturday March 4th at **11.00am** in the home of Conor and

Contact the P.A.N. Centre 4885062 to continue booking the Spring 2017 Stations.

#### **Table Quiz -Cancelled**

Ballygarvan GAA U13/14 'Table Ouiz' scheduled for:-Venue:- Bridgies Ballygarvan Date:- Saturday March 4th



# **Community AGM**

allygarvan Community Association will hold its:- AGM

Venue:- Prefab Old N.S. Ballygarvan

Date:- Tuesday March 14th

Time:- 8.00pm.

All members please attend. All welcome.



# **Vintage Fun Run**

Ballygarvan Vintage Club 'Fun Run' on Sunday April 9th. More details later.

## **Family Fun Bingo**

Ballinhassig Camogie **Club** will hold a Family Fun Bingo night in the Marian Hall this Saturday February 25th at 8.00pm.



Proceeds to the newly formed Ballinhassig Ladies Football Club. All welcome.

#### **Finance Committee Meeting**

Ballinhassig Parish Finance Committee meeting, Tues. February 28th at 8.00pm.