

MASS TIMES Next Week Monday 11th:-Ballygarvan 9.30am Tuesday 12th:-Goggins Hill 9.30am Thursday 14th:-Ballyheada 10.00am Saturday 16th:- Vigil **Ballyheada** 7.00pm Sunday 17th:-Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am **Blessing Of Lillies** Wednesday June 13th Feast Day of Saint Anthony of Padua Blessing of Lillies will take place at Mass in St. Francis Church, Liberty *St*., at 10.30am & 7.30pm and in many churches throughout the diocese. Blessed Lillies are distributed to those who are sick or housebound. **Ballinhassig Parish Assembly** Meeting Monday June 11th at 8pm in the Marian Hall.

Parish Finance Committee Meeting Tuesday **June 12th** at 8pm.

2018 Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

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) <u>ballinhassigparish@gmail.com</u>www.ballinhassigparish.com Parish Priest:- Fr. Christy Fitzgerald Telephone: 4885104 or 087/9439666



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POPE FRANCIS on the CALL TO HOLINESS

There can be any number of theories about what constitutes holiness, with various explanations and distinctions. Such reflection may be useful, but nothing is more enlightening than turning to Jesus' words and seeing his way of teaching the truth. Jesus explained with great simplicity what it means to be holy when he gave us the Beatitudes (cf. *Mt* 5:3-12; *Lk* 6:20-23). The Beatitudes are like a Christian's identity card. So if anyone asks: "What must one do to be a good Christian?", the answer is clear. We have to do, each in our own way, what Jesus told us in the Sermon on the Mount. In the Beatitudes, we find a portrait of the Master, which we are called to reflect in our daily lives.

The word "happy" or "blessed" thus becomes a synonym for "holy". It expresses the fact that those faithful to God and his word, by their self-giving, gain true happiness.

Although Jesus' words may strike us as poetic, they clearly run counter to the way things are usually done in our world. Even if we find Jesus' message attractive, the world pushes us towards another way of living. The Beatitudes are in no way trite or undemanding, quite the opposite. We can only practise them if the Holy Spirit fills us with his power and frees us from our weakness, our selfishness, our complacency and our pride.

Let us listen once more to Jesus, with all the love and respect that the Master deserves. Let us allow his words to unsettle us, to challenge us and to demand a real change in the way we live. Otherwise, holiness will remain no more than an empty word. We turn now to the individual Beatitudes in the Gospel of Matthew (cf. Mt 5:3-12).

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven"

First Holy Communion 2018

The following children from **Ballyheada National** School received their First Holy Communion, at Sacred Heart church on Saturday May 26th,

Eucharist is a family Celebration: Our Immediate family. The parish family, teachers and the universal Church.



(Luke 11: Verse 3)

Faddy Canniffe

Hugh Coleman

Megan Aherne

Luke Barry

Kian Hunt

Ryan Kenny

Fionn Kingston

Katelyn Looney

Caoimhe Comyns

Ruadhán McDonagh

Childs Prayer

God, our loving Father, we thank you for giving us Jesus to be our friend. We know that he loves us and is always with us.

May he who loves and guides us all and listens when we pray be close to you and bless you on Your Communion Day.



Joey Mullaney

Alan Nagle

Fiann O'Shea

Lia D'Arcy

Éabha Deasy

Kayla O'Toole



Shane Deasy



Charlie O'Riordan



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... We thank you God for the many opportunities of being Christ-like to others. Amen.

Those Who Care

As silently as sunrise comes The days flow into years: And some are filled with happiness And some are drenched in tears.

But always it is good to know That there are those who care; Who may to-day, lift up your name With love in fervent prayer. Amen

Ballygarvan Village

Ballvgarvan Foroige Club would like to sincerely thank all who helped & supported the recent village Clean Up. Regular Clean Up commencing from Monday June 11th. Meet at Old School at 7pm. All welcome.

Pope Francis – Dublin **Phoenix Park on Sunday** August 26th

Few places remaining on Bus to

Dublin for Papal Mass in Phoenix Park on Sunday August 26th. This includes **bus**,

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breakfast and evening meal. Bring your own folding stool or chair if you wish to sit for the Mass.

Total cost 60Euro

Bus will leave at **approx.7a**m. full itinerary later. First come first served and a waiting list. Booking and details from the Parish Office (PAN CENTRE), Mary O'Halloran 021/4885062 Note:-

Will those who have already booked a place please contact *Mary* at above at your earliest convenience as full payment will be required by June 30th. Names etc. need to be submitted to the Pastoral Office for ticket allocation as numbers are limited.

Social & Active Club

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club June 14th:-



Social Afternoon in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig on Thursday June 14th from 2.30pm -4.30pm. Special Guest:-Alice Taylor, Author & storyteller Chat & Cuppa. All welcome.

Ballinhassig GAA Fundraiser Thursday June 14th East Village 7.30pm. Four course meal with wine tasting of South African wines, as much wine as you like all for 50Euro. Contact Theresa 087/6579925. limited tickets, book early. All welcome.

