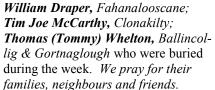
Anniversaries

Con & Mai Bowen, Ballygarvan. Jack & Mary Tattan, Killeagh. Kathleen Kelleher, Riverstick. Catherine Barry, Coolatooder. Vincent Leggett, Ballynoe. Michael Sheehan, Ballinaboy. Cain O'Mahony, Fivemile Bridge. John, Bridie, Martin & Kathleen Griffin, Halfway.



We Remember

Maureen (Mary) Mulcahy, Ballygarvan Upper, Carrigtwohill and Waterford;



allygarvan Foroige Club wish to thank everyone for their generosity in supporting their recent fundraiser to purchase Christmas lights for the village and would like to invite you to **Ballygarvans 1st official Christmas** Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Community Centre (Old School) on Friday November 30th. Come join us for carols & light refreshments at 7.30pm - Christmas lights will be switched on at 8pm.

All welcome.

MASS TIMES Next Week

Monday 26th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Tuesday 27th:-

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 29th

10.00am Ballyheada

Saturday 1st: Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 2nd: Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am.

Ballygarvan GAA Club

Mass in Ballygarvan Church on Sunday December 2nd at 10.00am in memory of all deceased Members and their families.

Saint Nicholas Dec. 6th

December 6th is the Feast of **St**. Nicholas. Ballinhassig Parish Assembly invite children to bring a toy to Mass on the first Sunday of Advent December 1st/2nd (NEXT WEEK) Please put in a bag but do not wrap.

These will be placed at the altar and donated to Saint Vincent De Paul for poorer children to ensure they all receive a toy for Christmas. Thank You.

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

Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

Vol. 27 No. 11 Sunday: November 25th, 2018 (Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe)

Fr. Christy writes...

THY KINGDOM COME

"A kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace." Jesus' kingdom is not of this world. His followers and the people didn't always get that. He was laying the foundations of his kingdom in this world that will lead the way to the Kingdom of Heaven. His kingdom is not about elegant clothes, palaces, rich food and endless wealth. His standards are very different.

We are asked today: where do we put our allegiance? What is our vision for the community of peoples, how will we live together and whose rule will enable us to live that out? If we believe that of the reign of Christ, living together in a peaceful, fair minded and respectful society, where all people are equal and caring for those more vulnerable in our midst – we really can celebrate the feast of Christ the King.

Guided by the example of Jesus. We are meant to love God and our neigbour. To live lives that are respectful of everyone, not trying to get one up on people, to be fair, honorable, balanced and honest then we can seriously make a difference in bringing about the Kingdom of God here and now.

Handel's 'MESSIAH'

The East Cork Choral Society will perform **Handel's 'MESSIAH'** at the Church of the Ascension, Gurranabraher, Cork on Sunday, December 2nd, 2018 at 8pm. The soloists will be: Mary Hegarty- Soprano; Sarah-Ellen Murphy-Alto; Pete Stobart-Tenor; Timothy Emberson-Bass. East Cork Orchestra-Eithne Willis, Leader, Conductor of East Cork Choral Society is Colin Nicholls, Admission - 20Euro, The East Cork Choral Society has kindly agreed to give all proceeds from the event towards clearing the Church debt. Tickets are available at Gurranabraher Parish Office. Pro Musica in Oliver Plunkett St., and from Cork Choral Society members.

St Vincent De Paul

The local St. Joseph's Conference of St. Vincent De Paul provides practical support and information to those who are in need of help and assistance in our community. All requests are dealt with great sensitivity and in strictest confidence. Winter brings extra expense and pressure on household budgets. If you are in need of support, please contact SVP Office, 2 Tuckey St., Cork 021/4270444 or www.svp.ie.



SVP:- CHRISTMAS CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

Will be held on Saturday/Sunday **December 8th/9th** at all Masses in the parish. The continued generosity of parishioners is very much appreciated and will make a difference to others again this Christmas.

Thought for the Week!!!!

I Asked......

I asked for strength and God gave me difficulties to make me strong.

I asked for wisdom and God gave me problems to solve.

I asked for prosperity and God gave me brawn and brains to work.

I asked for courage and God gave me dangers to overcome.

I asked for patience and God placed me in situations where I was forced to wait.

I asked for love and God gave me troubled people to help.

I asked for favours and God gave me opportunities.

I asked for everything so that I could enjoy life.

Instead, He gave me life so I could enjoy everything.

I received nothing I wanted, I received everything I needed. (author unknown)

Ceremony Of Light

Ballygarvan: December 3rd at 7.00pm **Goggins Hill:** December 4th at 7.00pm

Thank You

Joan McCann would like to sincerely thank Fr. Christy, Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club Committee, friends, neighbours, and all who helped to make the recent Coffee Morning in the Marian Hall in aid of the Education Project in GAMBIA such a success. Sincere thanks to all who attended and contributed so generously. A total of 800Euro was collected and

went directly to Gambia.

History Society

Ballygarvan & District Local History Societv will host 'Shane Lehane, folklorist' who will talk on Skellicking Day The Forgotten Traditions of Carnival in Ireland' on Thursday November 29th at 8.00pm in the Pre Fab Old School, Ballygarvan. All welcome.

Gala Ballygarvan

Best of luck to the new management of Gala, Ballygarvan Village. Opening Hours as follows:

Monday-Wednesday 7.00am - 20.30pm Thursday - Friday 7.00am - 21.00pm Saturday 7.30am - 21.00pm Sunday 7.30am - 20.30pm Facebook: Gala Ballygarvan 085/8618220

Active Retirement Club

Upcoming events:- In the MARIAN HALL Christmas Dinner/Party:- December 8th Christmas Flower Arranging:- December 10th All welcome!!!!!!!!

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club annual Christmas

Dinner /Party in the:-Marian Hall, Ballinhassig Saturday December 8th.

Lunch at 1.00pm sharp. All seated by 12.45pm.

Music, song and craic. Tickets cost 25Euro.

Names and payment to:-Irene Forde 086/8611275 087/1376023 Mairead Deasy Phil O'Keeffe 087/2901865

Joan McCann 087/9685484

Mary O'Halloran 4885062 or 086/3183645

or any committee member as soon as possible.

Names & Payment by December 1st to the above as numbers required for catering.

Reminder Stories Day

Ballinhassig Village Association 'VILLAGE STORIES DAY' 'AFTERNOON of STORIES' on this Sunday November 25th at 3pm in Morning Lark the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig.

Young and old are all welcome for an afternoon of old nity Centre, Ballygarvan photos and stories from vester year.

Village Christmas Cards & Village Calendar & DVD Wednesday December from last year's Stories Day will also be on sale.

Ballinhassig Village Association Christmas

Tree Bulbs. If you would like to buy a bulb on our Village Christmas Tree in memory of a family member or friend they cost 5Euro each and available at Cottrell's Gala, Ballinhassig or from any member of the Village Association.



Bazaars

Ballygarvan Camogie Club:-Annual Christmas 'Bazaar' on Sunday December 16th at 2.00pm in the GAA Hall, Ballygarvan. Santa, Great Spinner prizes. All welcome.

Ballinhassig GAA Club:-Annual Christmas 'Bazaar' on Sunday December 9th. Santa arrives at 5.00pm. Great Spinner prizes, turkey vouchers, cash prizes etc. Cake sale, book sale, bits & bobs and Con's lucky Dip. Details 087/6579925.

Baskets and items for **hampers** collected in the Club Rooms on December 4th & 5th from 7.00pm - 8.00pm. Spots appreciated.

Club Gear New gear available to order. See Ballinhassig Club facebook for details.

AGM:– Club Rooms December 6th at 7.30pm. New members welcome

Morning Lark Commu-(Old National School) will commence on 5th at 11.00am. Singers. musical instruments, actors, story tellers all ages, all welcome Story Contact John Revnolds **086/353**8342 or Tom Ryan 086/2248384. Contributions to cost of tea/coffee etc