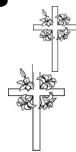


## Anniversaries

Tom O'Donoghue, Coolatuder.  
Billy O'Brien, Rathroe.  
Mary Cremin, Douglas.  
Peggy Cullinane, Rearour.



### Saturday 6th:- Vigil

**Ballyheada 7.00pm**

*Mass Intentions:-*

John Reynolds, Bawnleigh.

### Sunday 7th:-

**Ballygarvan 10.00am**

*Mass Intentions:-*

Frank O'Herlihy, Ballinphellic.  
Anthony Marshall, Meadstown.

**Goggins Hill 11.30am**

*Mass Intentions:-*

Noel McCarthy, Corran.

*(1st Anniversary)*

Mary Farrell, Ballyleigh.  
Eily Lombard, Rearour.  
Anna Sorensen, Rearour.  
Frances Kenny, Goggins Hill.  
Hannah, Con & Dick Cullinane, Rearour.

### Christmas Mass Cards

All Mass cards and *Christmas Mass Bouquets* are now available in the PAN Centre (Parish Office).

Contact Mary 021 4885 062.

### Christmas Offering Envelopes

Christmas Offering Envelopes are available in the **three churches** and from **Parish Office 021/4885062.**

## MASS Times Next Week:-

### Monday 8th:-

The Immaculate Conception Of The Blessed Virgin Mary.

**Goggins Hill only 9.30am**

### Wednesday 10th:-

**Goggins Hill NO MASS**

### Thursday 11th:-

**Ballyheada 9.30am**

### Friday 12th:-

**Ballygarvan 9.30am**

### Saturday 13th:- Vigil

**Ballyheada 7.00pm**

### Sunday 14th:-

**Ballygarvan 10.00am**

**Goggins Hill 11.30am**

### Church Flower Collections

*Church Flower Groups* collection in our churches this week end Saturday/Sunday **December 6th/7th.**

This collection will help defray costs of *Christmas, Easter* and flowers for other church occasions.

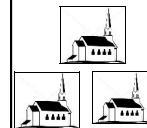
*Thanks for you continued generosity.*

### Home Help Wanted

Wanted Home Help for elderly lady in her own home Saturday/Sunday in the **Ballinhassig area.**

Contact 087 7740 315.

# Ballinhassig Parish



## Newsletter

*for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill*

**Vol. 34 No. 13 Sunday: December 7th, 2025 (Second Sunday Of Advent)**

Mary O'H  
submits.....

## Christmas Greetings

At Christmas time our hearts reach out to friends we think of dearly and checking through our friendship lists, as all of us do yearly we stop awhile to reminiscence and pleasantly review special talks, happy times and things we used to do. And though we have been too busy to keep in touch all year we send a Christmas greeting at this season of good cheer. So Christmas is a lovely link between old years and new that keeps the bond of friendship unbroken and true.

*(adapted from a poem by Helen Steiner Rice)*



## Gifts at Christmas

There are gifts to buy  
And gifts to make  
But there are other gifts  
Worth while.  
Being helpful  
Being kind  
And ready with a smile.  
Being friendly  
Doing things to please  
I've made up my mind  
At Christmas time this year  
I'm giving some of these.

*Merry Christmas Everyone.....*



2025 Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

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## Prayer for Advent Week 2:- Peace

The four candles of the advent wreath symbolise, *Hope, Peace, Joy and Love*.

This week as we light the second candle of the Advent wreath, **Lord, grant us Peace.**



May the Advent candlelight shine like our commitment to one another, that we can find wisdom and strength in reaching out praying for peace for one another and for those throughout the world especially in countries of war and unrest.

God gives us the Gift of peace when we turn to him working together in faith.



## St. Vincent de Paul

Christmas Church Gate collection at all Masses next week end Saturday/Sunday December 13th/14th.

If you need support from SVP, please do not hesitate to contact our central office at **021 4270 444**. All requests are treated with confidentiality and sensitivity by our local volunteers. Your continued support appreciated.



**Discernment Group** for Young Women 18-40 to explore the call to Consecrated Life. Monthly meetings until May 2026 at Charleville Retreat Centre. Details [womendiscern@corkandross.org](mailto:womendiscern@corkandross.org)

Though for this week.  
The happiest people don't have the best of everything, they just make the best of everything.

## Bambinelli Sunday

**Bambinelli Sunday** is the 3rd Sunday of Advent. We invite families to bring the figure of the Christ child they will use in their family CRIBS THIS YEAR TO BE BLESSED AT MASS next week end **December 13th/14th**. Take it home and wrap it, place under the Christmas tree ready to be the first gift opened on Christmas morning and then place in the crib.



## Church Cleaning

You are invited to help with church cleaning for Christmas:-  
**Ballygarvan** on Saturday December 13th at 10.00am.

**Ballyheada**:- on Thursday December 18th following 9.30am Mass.

Don't assume someone else is doing it, be the someone!!!  
One hour of your time appreciated.  
*All welcome.*

## Memorial Cards

Please collect your *memorial cards, bookmarks, wallet cards*, etc from **Ballyheada Church**. They are in a basket in front of the altar.

## First Saturday Prayers

This Saturday **December 6th** there will be *Prayers For Peace, Rosary etc.* in **Ballyheada Church** at 6.25pm before 7.00pm Mass. All welcome.

Trócaire Christmas Appeal.  
[www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)

## Christmas Flowers

**Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club**:-

**Christmas Flower Demonstration** with **Mary McCrum** in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig on:-

**December 9th at 8.00pm.**



Cost 10.00Euro including refreshments & raffle ticket. Lots of prizes, fun night.

Further details Mary **021 4885 062** or any committee member. *All welcome!!!!*

## Christmas Cookery Demonstration

**Ballinhassig Community Development Association**:-

**Christmas Cookery Demonstration** by **Jerome Hurley, Master Chef**, in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig on:-  
**December 13th at 7.15pm.**

Tickets Cost 20.00Euro, refreshments. Free spot prizes. Raffle on door tickets. Fun night assured.  
Tickets from **087 2581960; 089 2143 945** or **086 3489 040**. *Proceeds to Hall Maintenance. All welcome.*



## Christmas Bazaars

**Ballinhassig GAA Club** Christmas Bazaar on Sunday **December 7th**. Santa arrives at 5.15pm. Spinner etc with great prizes. All welcome.

**Ballygarvan Camogie Club** Christmas Bazaar on Sunday **December 14th** at 2.00pm in **Ballygarvan N.S.**  
**Home baking received from 11.00am.**

Lots of fun, spinner and great prizes, visit from Santa.

All welcome.



**Choir Practice**:- Ballyheada church **Monday 8th @ 8.00pm**. *All welcome.*

## Congratulations

Congratulations to **Ronan Falvey, Black Hill** representing the *Owenabue Special Olympics Gymnastics Club* at the:- *International Friendship Competition* in **Oslo** recently. Well done to Ronan on winning numerous medals and trophies. You did yourself, your family and your club proud.



## Christmas Tree Bulbs

**Ballinhassig Village Association** invite you to sponsor a *Remembrance Bulb* on the Christmas Tree, available in **Gala** and cost **5Euro** each. Names will be displayed and blessed before Christmas. Tree lighting and lighting of the Crib at 5pm this Sunday December 7th.



2026 *Calendars* available in Gala cost 10Euro. *All monies will go towards the upkeep of the Village.*

## A Christmas Celebration

*The Carrigaline Singers in Association with The Carrigaline & District Lions Club* present **Celine Byrne in Concert** at the Carrigaline Court Hotel on **December 10th, at 8.00pm**. Tickets cost 35Euro, available from eventbrite, Carrigaline Court Hotel & members.

## Hampers for Nursing Home/Hospital

If you would like to donate items for Hampers for *Kinsale Community Hospital & Bishops court Residential Care Home* please hand in to the PAN Centre (Parish Office) 021 4885 062 or any sacristy after Mass. Many of their residents and those who attend day care are parishioners of Ballinhassig. Items accepted until mid January. *Support appreciated.*