Anniversaries

Batt & Kitty Foley, Ballynaloughy. William O'Sullivan, Coolatooder.

Saturday 20th:- Vigil Ballyheada 7.00pm

Mass Intentions:Bridie Sheehan, Ballinaboy.
T.J. Reardon, Ballinaboy.
Helen Fehily, Tulligbeg.
Timothy, Mary & Kathleen O'Reilly,
Clougheenduane.

Sunday 21st:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am

Mass Intentions:-

Billy, Elizabeth & Hannie Cronin, Ballinphellic.

Sean Spillane, Ballinphellic. John O'Brien, Ballea. David McCurtin, Fermoy.

Goggins Hill 11.30am

Mass Intentions:John & Mary O'Neil

John & Mary O'Neill, Dunmanway. Cedie & Jimmy Butler, Barrett's Hill. Josie Flynn, Carrigaline & Barrett's Hill.

Thank You

Sincere thanks to the anonymous donor for their gift of a *Votive Stand/Votive Lights Holder* to *Ballygarvan church*. This was made by a parishioner who has since gone to his eternal reward. Your generosity to the parish is much appreciated.

MASS Times Next Week:-

Wednesday 24th:-

Christmas Eve

Ballygarvan 5.30pm Ballyheada 7.00pm

Thursday 25th:-

Christmas Day

Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am

Friday 26th:-

St. Stephen's Day No Mass

Saturday 27th Vigil:-

Ballyheada:- 7.00pm

Sunday 28th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am

Thanks - Flower Collection

Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the recent collection for *Church Flowers* in our three churches. This collection will help defray costs of flowers for *Christmas*, *Easter etc*.

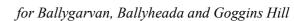
Choir Practice:- Ballyheada church Monday 22nd @ 8.00pm.

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Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday by Mary O'Halloran (021 4885 062, 021 4885 257)

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Mary O'H

My First Christmas in Heaven

I see the countless christmas trees around the world below, with tiny lights like heaven's stars, reflecting on the snow. The sight is so spectacular, please wipe away the tear, for I am spending christmas with Jesus Christ this year.



I hear the many christmas songs that people hold so dear, but the sound of music can't compare with the christmas choir here. I have no words to tell you, the joy their voices bring, for it is beyond description to hear the angels sing.

I know how much you miss me, I see the pain inside your heart, but I am not so far away, we really aren't apart. So be happy for me dear ones, you know I hold you dear, and be glad I am spending christmas with Jesus Christ this year.

I send you each a special gift, from my heavenly home above, I send you each a memory of my undying love.

After all, love is the gift, more precious than pure gold, it was always most important in the stories Jesus told.



Please love and keep each other, as my father said to do, for I can't count the love or blessings he has for each of you. So have a merry christmas and wipe away the tear, remember, I am spending christmas with Jesus Christ this year.



(author unknown)

Christmas Mass Schedule 2025

Confessions:- On request after Mass

Wednesday Christmas Eve December 24th

Ballygarvan 5.30pm Ballyheada 7.00pm

Thursday Christmas Day December 25th

Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am



Friday **December 26th NO MASS** (St. Stephen's Day)

Saturday **December 27th** Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday **December 28th** Ballygarvan 10.00am

Goggins Hill 11.30am



Wednesday December 31st NO MASS
Thursday January 1st NO MASS
Friday January 2nd NO MASS

Feast of The Epiphany:-

Tuesday January 6th Goggins Hill only 9.30am



Wednesday January 7th No Mass in Goggins Hill

Thursday **January 8th** Ballyheada 9.30am

Friday **January 9th** Ballygarvan 9.30am

Wishing you all a blessed, peaceful and happy Christmas and New Year 2026

Thank You - Parishioners

Sincere thanks to all parishioners for your continued financial and voluntary support throughout the year. Thanks to all those involved in direct Church Ministries:-Ministers of Word & Eucharist; Choirs; Flower Groups; Church and Graveyard Maintenance/Cleaning; Sacristans; Funeral Ministry Team; Parish Finance Committee; Parish Council; and other groups and individuals who help in any way with church and community work throughout the parish.

Your generosity of work and time on a voluntary basis is much appreciated by all.

Thanks - Shoe Box 2025

who took part in Team Hope Shoe Box
Appeal 2025. Special thanks to the children
of Ballygarvan, Ballyheada & Goggins
Hill national schools. We had a huge
collection again this year and eight
hundred and thirty five boxes are
on their way to parts of Eastern
Europe and Africa for distribution to
children who otherwise would not receive
a present of any kind this christmas.
Your continued support much appreciated.

ALONE

Support for older people. Helpline open seven days a week. Contact **0818 222 024.**

Céilí - Marian Hall

Céilí in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig on Friday:-

December 26th, 9.00pm –12.00am Music by *Úibhriain.* All welcome.

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Sue Nelson**, *Ballygarvan* the artist behind this vear's *Holly Bough Front Cover*.

Parish Calendars 2026

Parish Calendars for 2026 available in the churches, local shops and outlets where newsletters are available.

Also available from the PAN Centre (Parish Office) 021 4885 062.

Christmas Wishes

Councillor Ben Dalton O'Sullivan wish all parishioners and their families a Happy Christmas & New Year in 2026.



Daybreak Ballygarvan Village & Gala, Ballinhassig wish all their customers and staff a Happy Christmas & New Year in 2026 & sincerely thank all those who supported them throughout 2025.....

Christmas Wishes

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club wish all their members and friends from within and outside the parish a Happy Christmas & New Year in 2026.

Thanks to all who supported them throughout 2025.....



Hampers Nursing Home/Hospital

If you would like to donate items for Hampers for Kinsale Community
Hospital & Bishopscourt 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.

