Anniversaries Frank O'Connor, Banteer. Billy Cullinane, Milewater. Tim Hegarty, Kingsland. Joan Harris, Rearour. Alfie Roberts, Scart. John Cullinane, Rearour. Dan O'Keeffe, Liskillea. John Forde, Knockpoge. Daniel Deasy, Skehanagh. Sean & Rita Quinlan, Bandon. Tom Crowley, Ballincrannig. Noel Barry Murphy, Coolmakee. Kathleen O'Connell, Rathmacullig. Teddy O'Connell, Rathmacullig. Thomas O'Connell, Ballycurreen.

> Those who die in grace go no further from us than God and God is very near.

Pray for one Another

Please remember to pray for all our parishioners and all others who are ill in any way; those facing their final days in this world before they begin their new journey to eternity; those who are grieving, lonely, anxious or dealing with difficulties in their daily lives, and for the intentions of those who cannot pray themselves at this time.

MASS TIMES

Next Week Monday 14th:-Ballygarvan 9.30am

Tuesday 15th:-Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 17th:-*Ballyheada 10.00am* (Note Change of Time)

Saturday 19th:-Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 20th:-Ballygarvan 10.00am Goggins Hill 11.30am

Parish Assembly

Ballinhassig Parish Assembly Meeting on Monday January 14th at 8.00pm in the Marian Hall.

Adult Education

Bishopstown Community School Adult Education enrolment on Wed. January 16th from 7.00pm-8.00pm. Leaving cert revision course in Accounting and Oral Irish next week. Details and booking **4869310** or email:aded@bishopstown-cs.ie

Halfway Barbers

<u>Opening hours:-</u> Thursday & Friday:- 3.00pm-8.00pm, Saturday:- 9.30am-5.30pm.

2013 Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday by Mary (4888268), Mary (4885257) PAN Centre/Parish Office (phone/fax 4885062) info@ballinhassigparish.com www.ballinhassigparish.com

Ballinhassig Parish

Newsletter



Vol. 21 No. 18 Sunday: January 13th, 2013 (The Baptism of the Lord)

Mary O'Halloran submits....

Baptism is Special

Parents request baptism of the Church for their child, it is a free decision. The reason for baptising a baby is that the



The reason for baptising a baby is that the parents wish their child to grow up as a Christian. Baptism is the inaugural or first step, it is a time of great joy, love, celebration and wonder. We as a faith community here in the parish of Ballinhassig share in that joy as we

are enriched by the addition of a new

member.

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What will this young person grow up to be? What will he or she do with their life? These are some of the many questions that we ask from time to time. The answer is all around us.

In 2012 we had sixty six baptisms in our parish which we celebrated in our three churches of *Ballyheada*, *Ballygarvan and Goggins Hill*.

One thing is for sure, each person is special, an individual made in God's image and likeness with endless potential. We rejoice in their becoming members of our faith community here in Ballinhassig Parish and hope our prayers as well as our example will enrich their lives.

On this Sunday January 13th we celebrate the *Feast of the Lord's Baptism*. As we recall Jesus' baptism and how he has made us all into intimate and personal members of God's family.

May we all walk hand in hand in faith and be Blessed in one another as we are in the Lord. God, our Father, May the Spirit we received in Baptism touch the hearts of many to offer themselves in priesthood, religious life, and other forms of service.

Give the parents and families of our parish, the wisdom and courage to support all young people, in searching for and following the call of God in their lives.

We pray for all those who have recently answered the call and began their journey in religious life especially our own parishioners.





Stations Spring 2013

The Spring Stations 2013 will commence shortly. Would those who are scheduled for the Stations this spring please contact the P.A.N. Centre (Parish Office) at 4885062 to arrange a date for same.

Lourdes Pilgrimage -Helper

Diocese of Cork and Ross Young Adults Group (18-35) Lourdes Pilgrimage 2013 invitation Servico to help from **June 11th**

to 16th, 2013.

A time for reflection, prayer, for service and for making new friends. Further information contact Sr. Karen, Pastoral Development Office, 021/4537601.

Thank You

Carrigaline Community School would like to thank all who supported us on our recent Carol Singing event in Ballygarvan for St. Vincent De Paul. Thanks to your help and support a total of 401Euro was raised.

Maths Grinds Wanted

Wanted Maths Grinds in the Ballinhassig area for *Junior Cert*. student. If interested contact 087/2192464.

Farm Work Wanted

Wanted farm work, part time or full time. Contact 086/3980212.

SVP Ballinhassig Parish

We in the St. Vincent De Paul Society in Ballinhassig would like to extend our most sincere gratitude to all the parishioners who contribut-

ed so generously to our 90 Christmas Collection.



Very special thanks again this year to the Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club who contributed 100Euro.

Also, to the *students of Carrigaline* Community School who supported us once again this year and raised 401Euro from their Carol Singing.

Sincere thanks to the pupils, staff and parents of Ballygarvan N.S. from which we received 1,040Euro for which we are truly grateful.

Another *anonymous donation of* 200Euro was received plus hampers from several sources.

We are so pleased to say that for the second successive year, we were able to fully support our own outgoings in the parish without any help from Head Office.

Sincere thanks to all for your generosity in 2012.

We wish you all a happy, peaceful and healthy New Year in 2013. -(St. Josephs Conference, Ballinhassig)

Showtime - Parish

'Carry on Regardless 2013' is back in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig. To enable us maintain the high standards of previous 'Shows' we are appealing to parishioners to come along and

be part of it. As always we are seeking new talent to add new dimensions and vibrancy to the 'Show' Can you sing,

sides of the parish.

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dance or play a musical instrument?

This would be a wonderful opportunity

to share your talents with fellow parish-

ioners as well as making new friends

and getting to know people from all

New parishioners are especially wel-

come. It would be impossible for the

producers to individually invite people

If you know of anybody in your neigh-

bourhood who may be interested and

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so we urge you to please approach us.



Social Coffee Morning

Ballygarvan area Community *Council* invite you to a *social* coffee morning in Ballygar*van Old N.S.* on this Sunday January 13th after 10.00am Mass in Ballygarvan until 12noon.



This is purely a social occasion and not any type of fundraiser. Come along and enjoy a cuppa and

chat with your neighbours & friends and if you are new to the area you are especially welcome as it will be an opportunity to meet with your neighbours and parishioners.

All parishioners welcome.

Underage AGM

Ballinhassig Underage AGM will be held in the Club Rooms on Monday January 14th at 8.00pm. We request at least one parent/guardian of each child would attend on the night and anyone else who would like to get involved in our underage teams.

Club Calendar

Ballinhassig G.A.A. Club Calendar is available in Cottrell's Gala, Ballinhassig. Cost 10Euro.

Camogie Club AGM

Ballinhassig Camogie Club AGM has been rescheduled to January 18th at 7.30pm in the Club Rooms due to poor attendance at previous meeting. All members are requested to attend. Parents are asked to join the committee as new members are constantly required to help organise and run the club.



THE LORD