

## Anniversaries

Bridie Sheehan, Ballinaboy.  
Timothy O'Donovan, Ballea.  
Finbarr Lombard, Old Abbey.  
Patrick O'Brien, Kilmurriheen.  
Mary O'Brien, Kilmurriheen.  
Patrick Coakley, Ballinaboy.  
Jim & Nellie Byrne, Athy.  
Tom Prendergast, Athy.  
Peg Webster, Athy.  
Bob Reynolds, Gortnaclogh  
& Turners Cross.  
Seamus & Joan O'Leary, Ballyhooleen.



## We Remember

John Dineen, Old Abbey.  
Laurence O'Daly, Bantry.  
Denis Whyte, Bantry & Rosscarbery.  
Derek Duggan, Brighton & Blackcock.  
*We pray for their families, neighbours  
and friends.*



## Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to **Pat and Marie Dineen**, Old Abbey on the death of their son John;  
**Padraig and Marie Crowley**, Gortnaclogh on the death of Laurence O Daly, Bantry;  
**Pat Whyte**, Briar Hill on the death of his brother Denis, Bantry & Rosscarbery  
**Maurice Duggan**, Coolatooder on the death of his brother Derek, Brighton & Blackrock;

*In death life is changed not Ended*

2015 Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday  
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## MASS TIMES Next Week

Monday 28th:-  
*Ballygarvan 10.00am*

Tuesday 29th:-  
*Goggins Hill 10.00am*

Thursday 31st:-  
*Ballyheada 10.00am*

Friday 1st:-  
*Ballygarvan 10.00am*  
*Goggins Hill 11.30am*  
*Ballyheada 8.00pm*

Saturday 2nd:-  
*Ballyheada 7.00pm*

Sunday 3rd:-  
*Ballygarvan 10.00am*  
*Goggins Hill 11.30am*

## Time for New Beginnings. . . .

"This is a time for reflection as well as celebration. As you look back on the past year and all that has taken place in your life;

Remember each experience for the good that has come of it and for the knowledge you have gained.  
Remember the efforts you have made and the goals you have reached.  
Remember the love you have shared and the happiness you have brought.

*Love  
One Another*



# Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

*for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill*

Vol. 24 No. 17 Sunday: December 27th, 2015 (The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph)

*Mary O'Halloran writes....*

## Happy and Peaceful 2016

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all parishioners and their families, wherever they may be a very **Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year in 2016.**

Thanks to all those who helped in the parish in so many ways during the year. Most of us probably never stop to think how many parishioners are engaged in so many ministries.

There are many people involved in: Eucharistic ministry; ministry of Word; funeral ministry team; baptism team; church choirs; liturgy groups; counters; church collectors; altar servers; sacristans; church cleaning groups; church flower groups; graveyard maintenance groups and individuals; graveyard committees; finance committee; parish assembly; preparing, editing and distributing the newsletter.

These are what we call direct church ministry, and do not include people involved in more broadly based community activities, those involved in running numerous parish clubs and organisations.

Thanks also to all the local shops for facilitating the distribution of the newsletter and collection of Shoe Boxes for Team Hope Christmas Child Appeal. Once again a special thanks to the proprietor and staff of **Cottrell's Gala, Ballinhassig** for facilitating us with collection of post, parcels, shoe boxes, etc. during the year.

We thank you all for your help and co-operation in what has been a difficult year for many parishioners. Sincere thanks to those who took time to send cards, phone or call personally with kind words and wishes. **We wish you all a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year in 2016.** (from the P.A.N. Centre/Parish Office)



## Ballinhassig Parish Tax Reclaim Scheme - Expression of Interest Form

For the **Tax Year 2014**, the Parish reclaimed **3,700Euro** from the Revenue Commissioners. This is in addition to **15,000Euro** reclaimed in previous years.

If you have contributed **more than 250Euro** to the parish in the calendar year 2013, 2014, 2015 or intend to do so in 2016, and pay tax under the **PAYE Tax System** please let us know.

You can do so by submitting the information below.

Then return via your numbered envelope in the Sunday collection or direct to the Parish Office (**4885062**) and we will be in touch with further details. Please note returning the information does not commit you to paying any amount, you can stop or reduce your donation whenever you wish.

Please note if you are already registered for the scheme there is no need to submit this information.

*We are grateful for all donations of any amount whether they can participate in the scheme or not. Thank you for your generosity and support.*

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

### Envelope number used:-

Year      2013      2014      2015      2016

          

Standing Order Amount (if applicable) Euro \_\_\_\_\_

## Offertory Collection Boxes

Boxes for the **2016 Sunday Offertory Collection** are available in the three churches.



We realise that not everyone attends Mass in the parish and, *as contributions made in other parishes generally stay there*, we want to give people the opportunity to contribute to their own parish by other means if they wish.

*We are recommending that:-*

\*\*\* You hold your envelopes and pass them in when you get the opportunity

\*\*\* You can set up a *Standing Order*, details from P.A.N. Centre/Parish Office **4885062**.

\*\*\* You can pay by cheque/bank draft/etc. at the P.A.N. Centre/Parish Office.

## Offertory Collection

*Fr. Kieron and the Parish Finance Committee* would like to thank you for your generous contributions to the weekly *Offertory Collections*. We also thank those who contribute by Standing Order, Cheques/Drafts/Postal Orders and Envelopes etc. handed in to the P.A.N. Centre/Parish Office.

## Parish Calendars

*Ballinhassig Parish Calendars 2016* are available in the three churches or from Parish Office (**4885062**)



## Priests Phone Number

*Fr. Kieron O'Driscoll*, Parish Priest can be contacted on **021/4885104** or **087/9439666**. If it is not urgent leave a message and your call will be returned.

## Community Hour

*Ballygarvan Community Association* will hold a "Community Hour" in the old school Ballygarvan on **Sunday January 10th** from **11.30am-12.20pm** tea/coffee.



All ideas considered - Persons interested in giving or attending classes, renting rooms for meetings, cardplaying, gramophone circle, music lessons, brass or pipe band, men's shed, morning chats, knitting circle etc. All welcome to attend and help build a vibrant community.

## Ballinhassig Parish Accident & Emergency Fund

The *Trustees of Ballinhassig Parish Accident & Emergency Fund* wish to acknowledge receipt of **1000Euro** for the **Arron O'Leary, Fund**. The donation has been forwarded to the family.

## To Start a New Year.

..... "A new year is unfolding - like a blossom with petals curled tightly concealing the beauty within.



Lord, let this year be filled with the things that are truly good:-  
with the comfort of warmth in our relationships,  
with the strength to help those who need our help and the humility and openness to accept help from others.

As we make our resolutions for the year ahead, let us go forward with great hope that all things can be possible - with Your help and guidance." (anonymous)

