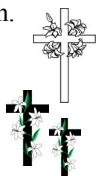


## Anniversaries

Martin Jack Griffin, Skehanagh.  
Jeremiah Holland, Lisfehill.  
Tim Bernard, Meadstown.  
Bertie Mulcahy, Ballynoe.  
Patrick Walsh, Ballinphellic.  
Joseph Lynch, Gortnaclogh.  
Kitty O'Donovan, Nohoval  
Thomas O'Sullivan, Ballygarvan Upper



## Church Flower Group

*Ballygarvan Church Flower Group* will meet in the *Pavilion* Garden Centre on Sat.



Nov. 12th at 11.30am. All welcome.

## Closing Year Of Mercy

Bishop Buckley will offer a Mass of Thanksgiving for graces and blessings of the Jubilee Year Of Mercy on Sat. *November 12th at 6.30pm at St. Francis Church, Cork.* All welcome.

## Old Abbey Athletic Club

Church gate collection in *Ballyheada & Goggins Hill* on Saturday/Sunday *November 12th/13th.*

## Parish Mens Shed

Mens Shed will Meet on Wednesday *November 9th at 8.00pm* in the *Community Centre, Ballygarvan.* Details **086/0645848.** All welcome.

**An Ciorcal Comhrá** - Luain 7th  
7.30pm-8.30pm, Ballinhassig GAA  
Rooms. Details **086/2578698.**

## MASS TIMES

### Next Week Novena Continues:-

Monday 7th:-

*Ballygarvan 9.30am*  
*Goggins Hill 7.30pm*

Tuesday 8th:-

*Ballygarvan 9.30am*  
*Goggins Hill 7.30pm*

Wednesday 9th:-

*Ballygarvan 9.30am*  
*Goggins Hill 7.30pm*

Thursday 10th:-

*Ballygarvan 9.30am*  
*Goggins Hill 7.30pm*

Saturday 12th:-

*Ballyheada 7.00pm*

Sunday 13th:-

*Ballygarvan 10.00am*  
*Goggins Hill 11.30am*

## Stations

### Liskillea/Rearour:-

Thursday November 10th at  
**11.00am** in the home of *Tony and Miriam Collins.*

### Station Host Appeal

If anybody in the *Adamstown Upper/Ballincranig/Kingsland* would like to host the Autumn 2016 station, contact *P.A.N. Centre 4885062.*



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# Ballinhassig Parish

## Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill



Vol. 25 No 9 Sunday: November 6th, 2016 (Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Fr. Christy  
writes...

## A Time to Remember!

It's that time of year again, cold, dark, dreary evenings. For many too, the weather as well as the fallen leaves seems to express how many may feel at this time. It is a time when the absence of a loved one is deeply felt. But it is a special time too a time for remembering.



Many have tried to describe what the next world will be like and still they can't come close. All we can really say is that it will be different. Will I know my loved ones? Will they know me? I have heard people say, 'wouldn't it be great if someone came back and told us'. But of course, they don't, and we still wonder and question.

But one thing is certain. It's a lot better than what we know here, because we are there with our loving God. But, isn't it strange how we all want to be close to God, but when it comes to someone we love, we don't want them to go, even though it is the ultimate goal of a believer's journey. That's the conflict between our humanity and our faith.

I believe that every time we gather around the Lord's Table, heaven and earth are one. The Altar is after all the great place of remembrance. It's where we remember Jesus' death and resurrection. It is also the place where we remember our loved ones gone before us and who are spiritually united with us every time we go to celebrate at the Altar. We call it the 'Communion of Saints'. Maybe that's where we can begin to find the way through our pain. Those who die go no further from us than to God. And God is very near!



## Graveyard Prayers

### November

The Annual Prayers & Blessing of the Graves for the dead in the graveyards of the parish will take place this Sunday **November 6th** as follows:

#### Sunday 6h

**Ballyheada:** 2.15pm  
**Liscleary:** 2.30pm

**Killingley:** 3.15pm  
**Ballinaboy:** 3.15pm  
**Goggins Hill:** 4.00pm



#### Please note:

*Blessing of graves in two graveyards at the same time is correct as these will be done by the Parish Funeral Ministry Team.*

## Monster Bingo

*Monster Bingo* in aid of *Marymount Hospice* on Sunday **November 13th** at 3pm in Neptune Stadium.

Adm. Single book 15Euro; Double 20Euro. Doors open 2pm. Cash prizes and spots galore. All welcome.

BINGO				
14	29	38	52	74
4	18	33	46	62
7	16	★	60	71
9	27	44	51	67
12	23	35	47	73

## A Time To Remember

**Prayer:-** Almighty God, through the death of your Son on the cross you destroyed our death; through his rest in the tomb you made holy the graves of all who believe in you: and through his rising again you restored us to eternal life.



God of the living and the dead accept our prayers for those who have died in Christ and are buried with him in the hope of rising again.

Since they were true to your name on earth, let them praise you for ever in the joy of heaven. *Amen.*

## Reflection

*On this Sunday when we gather for prayers in the cemeteries of the parish, you may like to reflect on the following:-*

Lord, we come here today  
To revere the memory of those  
Whom you have called from this  
life,  
We come to the place where their  
Remains were returned to the earth  
In the way of all flesh;  
Earth to earth and dust to dust.



Here is where they were entrusted  
Into your hands, into your love.  
Here is where they were given  
The final farewell, and prayers  
For a safe journey into your keeping.

Here is where we especially ask you  
To bestow on them the joy of your peace,  
So that together with you  
In your eternal home,  
Where this world of dust and ashes  
And the fragility of this life  
No longer hold sway,  
They will find eternal rest.

Amen. (Christy Kenneally)



## Social & Active Retired

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

**Christmas Flower Demonstration:-**

Tuesday **November 29th** at 7.30pm in the **Marian Hall.**

**Annual Christmas Dinner** on

Saturday **December 3rd** at the Carrigaline Court Hotel.

More details next week.

All welcome to both.



## Annual Mass for Bereaved November 15th

Most of November we concentrate on remembering our dead. The Holy Souls Novena, the visits to the graveyards are good but they make it impossible for people to avoid being revisited by the pain caused by the death of a loved one. Here in

**Ballinhassig Parish** we have had sad, sudden and untimely deaths this year and in the past few years. Consequently we have many parishioners for whom November is a very sad and lonely month. The thought of facing Christmas without the departed loved one always brings enormous sadness in need of some ray of hope to dispel the darkness of grief. Conscious of this, the **Parish Assembly once again** have organised the **Annual Mass for the Bereaved.**



All those who suffered a bereavement in the past twelve months, their family members, neighbours and friends are especially invited to attend this **Special Mass on Tuesday November 15th at 7.30pm in Ballyheada Church.** It is hoped this Special Mass will bring a message of hope, comfort and consolation to all who live with the pain of loss, especially the death of a loved one; separation; divorce; also



loss of employment; financial insecurity; loss of health both physical and mental and any other loss which we may endure as individuals.

**As part of the ceremony everybody will be invited to bring a lighted candle, available at the door, to the altar on entering the church.** These individual candles will then symbolise a community of hope with all candles then lighting as one.



Everybody welcome on the night, we are also conscious that we may not be aware of all parishioners who suffered bereavements of family members who resided outside the parish. The night, however, is not only for those bereaved in the past twelve months, it is a night for remembering and praying for all who are grieving. There is a great tradition of support and understanding in our parish at times of bereavement.



**Mass on Tuesday 15th** will be another opportunity to offer sympathy, and support through being present and praying with our bereaved families, neighbours and friends. *All welcome, invite your family and friends from outside the parish to join you on the night.* (Mary O'Halloran writes... (Mary O'Halloran writes...))

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## Camogie Bingo Night

*Ballinhassig Camogie Club* annual Christmas BINGO NIGHT in the Marian Hall on Saturday **November 26th at 8.00pm.** Hampers galore. Great fun night assured. Unwanted baskets appreciated for hampers, contact members.



## Goggins Hill N.S. Bazaar

*Goggins Hill N.S. Parents Association* christmas 'Bazaar' in the school Hall on Sunday **November 27th** after 11.30am Mass. Donations for hampers and spot prizes welcome. Support appreciated. Thanks to all who supported the **Halloween**



## Crumlin Hospital

*John McCann*, Briar Hill will run in the **New York City Marathon** this Sunday **November 6th** in aid of **Crumlin Childrens Hospital.** Sponsorship card in **Cottrell's** Gala, Ballinhassig or contact John **087/2844385.** Your support appreciated.



**Disco.** Congratulations to Leah and Naoise who won the best homemade costume competition. Super Night!