

Anniversaries

Maisie O'Sullivan, Ballyhooleen.
Margaret Hickey, Ballyhooleen.
Bridget Lane, Gortnaclogh.
Phil Quinlan, Kilbrittain.
Daniel Lombard, Rearour
Hannah Lombard, Rearour.
Biddy O'Meara, Ballyleigh.
John O'Meara, Ballyleigh.
Daniel Deasy, Skehanagh.
Catherine Deasy, Skehanagh.
Jeremiah Bruton, The Lough.



We Remember

We remember the following who died recently.

John O'Donovan, Kilcrohane and Durrus;

Annie Hurley (née O'Donovan), Skibbereen;

Jeremiah Finn, Ballinphellic;
Margaret (Madge) Dineen (née Hayes), Ballydehob and Drimoleague.

We pray for their families, neighbours and friends.



*We have loved them in life,
Let us not forget them in death.*



Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to **Myra Heffernan**, Ballynaloughy on the death of her mother **Kathleen Greene**, Dublin.



Masses Next Week

Monday:- January 22nd

Ballygarvan:- 9.30am

Tuesday:- January 23rd

Goggins Hill at 9.30am

Thursday:- January 25th

Ballyheada at 10.00am

Saturday:- January 27th

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday:- January 28th

Ballygarvan 10.00am

Goggins Hill 11.30am

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to **Finola, Ann, Lena and Liam Duggan** on the death of their brother **Cornelius (Curley) Duggan, Goggins Hill**, also to **Aiden** on the death of his father **Cornelius (Curley) Duggan, Goggins Hill** and **Eily** on the death of her partner **Cornelius (Curley) Duggan, Goggins Hill**;

Eileen Coleman, Halfway on the death of her brother **John O'Donovan, Kilcrohane and Durrus**;

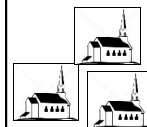
Pauline Coomey, Briar Hill on the death of her mother **Annie Hurley, Skibbereen**.



Ballinhassig Parish

Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill



Vol. 26 No. 17 Sunday: January 21st, 2018 (Third Sunday In Ordinary Time)

Fr. Christy writes...

GOD IS MERCIFUL

The whole point of the Jonah story is to show how God is merciful to anyone who answers his call, turns away from sin and repents. It sounds like a story for Lent, but it is a story and a message for all the time.

The call of Jesus too must have stirred up something deep within the disciples' hearts, as they responded positively to the invitation to follow him. It was a courageous and generous response.

Repentance is all about change within oneself and is a process of conversion that is rooted in the heart. God's mercy and forgiveness shows he is always ready to give peoples lives new meaning by sharing with them his mercy and forgiveness. To promote his kingdom we have to start with ourselves and begin an inward journey, which requires us to repent, leave the past behind and radically change our outlook.



Like the disciples we are called to spread the Good News that God's kingdom is close at hand; a kingdom of justice, love and peace, a kingdom of holiness and grace. To make it known by a change is our lifestyle, and by our example, to attract others to Christ. We are called to make the kingdom of God begin, here and now.

Life & The Spirit Seminars

Discover a Personal Relationship with the Lord.
Knockavilla Community Centre, each Friday 7.30pm, commencing February 2nd to March 23rd. Details **086/0875625**

2018 Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday
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Christian Unity Week

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is observed from the **18th to the 25th January, the Feast of the conversion of St. Paul.**



The theme chosen for 2018 is "taken from the song of Moses and Miriam (Ex.15:1-21) It is a song of triumph over oppression. The 2018 resource material was prepared for worldwide use by Christians from the Caribbean.

During this week we should all make a special effort to pray for Unity of all Christians in our troubled world.



Prayer:- We thank you for this week of Prayer that has brought us together as Christians and that has enabled us to experience your presence in different ways.

Grant us ways to praise your holy name together, so that we continue to seek reconciliation and grow towards unity. Amen.

Cork Scripture Group

Cork Scripture Group would like to invite anyone who is interested in Scripture to join us for the following course.

Title: The Gospel of Mark: Exploring the earliest of the Gospels.



Facilitators: **Mons. Ned Goold, Marian Mortell, Fr. Seán O'Sullivan and Phil Mortell** on Mondays February 19th & 26th; March 5th & 12th from 7.30pm – 9.30pm p.m. in Scala Centre, Blackrock (opposite Blackrock Castle)

Saturday Workshop: Gospel Perspectives on Family facilitated by **Dr. Jessie Rogers** (Maynooth)

Saturday February 24th from 10.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. in Sacred Heart Hall, Western Road. All welcome.

Follow the Footsteps of Jesus From Gallilee To JERUSALEM

Take the TRIP of a LIFETIME to the HOLY LAND, June 6th-16th 2018.

Group Leader, Mícheál de Barra
Spiritual Director, Fr. John Newman (Bible Scholar)

In association with PREMIER TRAVEL, Cork
Contact Mícheál at 086/8337681
email:-

culturaltoursireland@gmail.com

What former pilgrims have said about this tour: 'Masada was awe inspiring but I was moved by Calvary in a way I could not imagine or describe' (Mike)

'Wonderful experience! I will recommend this pilgrimage as widely as I can.' (Phil)

'Fr. John opened the scriptures for us as we had never heard them before' (Anne)

Cork Marriage & Family Counselling Centre

Marriage and Family Counselling

CALL 021-4275678 to simply set up a preliminary appointment to see if counselling may help. Professional, Confidential and Experienced Clinicians.

SUPPORTED BY:-
THE DIOCESE OF CORK & ROSS, THE DEPT. FOR CHILDREN, & THE HSE

Carer Available

Experienced, kind, reliable Lady available to care for Elderly Person in their own home in the **Ballinhassig/Innishannon** area.

References available, own transport. Further details contact 086/8916522.

Thought For The Week

The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is that little 'extra'

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE EX CORK

Walk in the footsteps of Jesus This trip of a lifetime (fully guided) will take place from **April 20th- 28th, 2018.**

Highlights include: A boat trip on the Sea of Galilee, visits to Nazareth, Cana, Jericho, The Dead Sea, Jerusalem, The Mount of Olives, Bethlehem, etc. The trip includes: Return flights ex Cork, a comprehensive daily programme, entrance fees, 4* Hotels, dinner bed and breakfast throughout.

Spiritual Director **Fr. Liam Crowley.**

For further Information and details please contact MAP Travel 01/8783111 or Fr. Liam Crowley 087 /2302811 or Tour Manager **Jim Keogh**

021/4885371, mobile 087/ 2678793.

Please note that places are strictly limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. All welcome.

New Altar Servers

We are currently recruiting new Altar Servers for **Ballygarvan and Goggin's Hill** churches. Consent forms are available in the sacristy after Masses. Training with **Fr. Christy will begin in February.** Altar servers have an important role within our Liturgy and we would love to see this great tradition continuing. (We have sufficient new servers for **Ballyheada. Training on Saturday February 10th at 10.30am in Ballyheada Church.**)

Ballygarvan GAA Dinner

to recognise the 1977 South East Championship winning side. **January 26th at 7.30** at the Cork International Hotel. Tickets €25 each and available from Committee members or Denis Looney (Treasurer) 087 2465283 before **January 22nd.** Everybody welcome.

Social & Active Retired

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club will hold their **AGM** in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig on Tuesday **February 13th at 7.30pm.** All welcome.

Ballinora/Ballincollig Red Cross

Ballinora/Ballincollig branch of the Irish Red Cross will hold their AGM on Tuesday **January 23rd** in the Scout Den, Ballinora at **7.30pm.** All welcome.

History Society

Ballygarvan and District Local History Society **AGM**, in **Pre Fab Old School, Ballygarvan** at **8.00pm** Thursday **January 25th.** New members welcome.



Blood Donor Clinic

Blood donor clinic **MARIAN HALL**, Ballinhassig on Monday January 22nd from 5.00pm-8.30pm.

Further details 1850731137

Childminder Wanted

Wanted **childminder** immediately to mind 3 children in own home in the **Ballyheada** area Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday.

Further details contact **087/6650221.**

Ballinhassig GAA Club

Ballinhassig GAA Club would appreciate unwanted gym gear in your home which may be of benefit to the Club.

Please contact Fintan 087/7986445.

An Ciorcal Comhra/Irish Conversation Group
Gach Luain/Every Monday at Ballinhassig
GAA Club (2018 Blian an Teanga/Irish Language Year)
Ag tosú/beginning Monday January 22nd
Fáilte roimh gach leibhéal/all levels welcome
7.00pm-7.45pm *daltaí/students*
7.45pm-8.30pm *daoine fásta/adults*
Eolas /info 086/2578698