

## Mass Schedule for Christmas Period

### Christmas Mass of the Nativity of Our Lord

#### Christmas Eve 24th

Ballygarvan: 6.00pm  
Goggins Hill: 7.30pm  
Ballyheada: 9.00pm

#### Christmas Day 25th

Ballygarvan: 10.00am  
Ballyheada: 10.30am  
Goggins Hill: 11.30am



Mass on St. Stephens Day (Thursday 26th)  
*Ballyheada only 11.00am*

Saturday 28th  
*Vigil Mass in Ballyheada 7.00pm*



Sunday 29th  
*Ballygarvan 10.00am; Goggins Hill 11.30am*

### We Remember

*Ann Linehan (O'Leary)*  
Meadstown & Boston;  
*Frank O'Flynn, Whitegate & Carrigaline* who died recently.  
*We pray for their families, neighbours & friends.*

### We Remember at Christmas

*Bridie Sheehan*, Ballinaboy.  
*John Rice*, Ovens & Goggins Hill.  
*Joan, Owen & Anna Moynihan*,  
Ballygarvan Upper.  
*Liam O'Halloran*, Rigsdale.  
*Michael Finnerty*, Tulligmore.  
*Moses Fenton*, Ballygarvan.  
*Finbarr Lombard*, Old Abbey.  
*Patrick & Hilda Giltinan*, Innishannon  
and all our own departed loved ones.

### Anniversaries

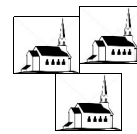
Timothy, Mary & Kathleen O'Reilly,  
Cloughenduane.  
Helen Fehily, Tulligbeg.  
Jim & Nell Byrne, Athy.  
Batt Foley, Ballynaloughy.  
John Hennessy, O'Mahony Place.  
Donal O'Halloran, Templemartin.  
Richard & Joan Murphy, Carrigrohane.  
Tim & Marjorie O'Leary, Meadstown.  
Maureen & Timothy O'Donovan, Ballea.  
Breda & Donagh Fitzgerald, Ballypnehane.  
William & Catherine O'Sullivan, Coolatooder.



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## Ballinhassig Parish



### Christmas Newsletter 2019

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill



Vol. 28 No. 15 Wednesday: December 25th, 2019 (The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ)

Fr. Christy writes....

### Shine His Light



In the middle of the dark cold nights a light dawns, it brings hope, brightness and energy to us. Its bright hue piercing the darkness, gives us hope and encouragement, it warms our hearts and gives peace to our souls. That's Christmas!

We look to the colourful lights twinkling, the blazing fires, the lighted candles and the evergreen trees. Yes, Jesus is born and he is born for you and me. Because of him we have a permanent bright, warm and consoling presence which cheers our hearts. Yes, Jesus is born, and we are greatly loved.

We celebrate that love. We welcome home loved ones. We gather together we share, we feast, we bask in the glow of God's love shared. For many too this time of year is very challenging because of sickness, loss, bereavement, loneliness, isolation, homelessness. May you too know the light of hope, consolation and peace in your hearts.

*A holy, blessed, peaceful and happy Christmas to all.*



# Remembering At Christmas

As a Parish Community we remember and pray for our loved ones who have gone home to God since our newsletter publication last Christmas.

We have included all their names as we know them. We commend them all to the mercy of God. We also pray for all other parishioners who have been bereaved and are in sorrow at this time.

Maureen Mulcahy, Ballygarvan Upper.  
Maureen O'Donovan, Ballea.  
Ellen O'Leary, Corran.

Mary Griffin, Clougheenduan.  
Patricia (Pat) O'Connor, Waterfall.  
Eileen Patricia (Pat) O'Donoghue, Gleann Dara, Ballygarvan.

Mary (Mai) O'Keeffe, Rearour.  
Edmond (Eddie) Burke, Goggins Hill.



*In Our  
Thoughts  
and Prayers*

*Pray especially for all the departed  
who have no families to  
remember and pray for them this  
Christmas season.*

Patrick (Pat) Hurley, Fivemile Bridge.  
Margaret (Madge) Cullinane, Rearour.  
Sheila Jordan, Rigsdale.  
Joe Collins, Rearour.

John O'Sullivan, Fivemile Bridge.  
Mary Bernard, Meadstown.  
Andrew (Christy) Lyons,  
Ballinabearna.

Moses (Mossie) Fenton, Ballygarvan.  
Frank O'Leary, Adamstown.  
Frank O'Herlihy, Ballinphellic.  
John O'Leary, Tulligmore.

**May Christ's coming at Christmas be:**  
*A Gift of Love;  
A blessing of Hope and;  
A promise of Peace for you.*



*You are not  
forgotten loved one  
Nor will you ever be  
As long as life and  
memory last We  
will remember thee.*



*'The Lord is my  
Shepherd  
There is nothing  
I shall Want.'*

**Remember to Pray** for all our parishioners who are unwell at this time, especially those who are ill in hospital, those in nursing homes and those who are in their final days of this life. Also remember to pray for all carers, those caring for their own relatives and those caring for others. Remember those who are homeless who have nobody to care for them. We also remember all the bereaved and those suffering any loss at this time. **May your coming this Christmas be for them a time of peace and of love.**

# Newsletter Writes

*Dear Newsletter Readers,*

*It is approaching the year end once again and this is the time of year for saying thanks to everyone who is involved in collecting news, and the remaining few who distribute the Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter to station areas. Thanks also to those who distribute the newsletter to churches, shops etc.*

*It may look a small production but it takes effort and dedication to keep it going week after week, year after year.*

*The newsletter is produced, edited and printed in the P.A.N. Centre (Parish Office). It is twenty eight years since the production of the first newsletter and it is hoped there will be many more in the future.*

*The newsletter is now also available on line at:-  
[www.ballinhassigparish.com](http://www.ballinhassigparish.com)*

*It has been a difficult year for many due to continued economic circumstances, extreme weather related conditions, illness and loss of loved ones.*

*Hopefully you will have a peaceful and happy time with your family, friends and neighbours this Christmas.*

*In this edition we remember and pray for our deceased parishioners especially those who died during the past twelve months.*

*Having looked back over the Newsletters of the last year, we are aware that many other families have suffered bereavements and we offer our heartfelt sympathy.*

*We hope you will continue to enjoy and support the Parish Newsletter.*

*Wishing you and your families wherever they may be Peace, Happiness and Health in 2020.*

(Mary O'Halloran, & Fr. Christy Newsletter, P.A.N. Centre)



## Christmas Hamper

If you would like to donate items for the Christmas hamper in **Ballyheada Church** please hand in same to the sacristy after Mass from now until New Year. This hamper or hampers will go to **Kinsale Community Hospital**. Your continued generosity year after year to this worthy cause is much appreciated.



## Christmas Gifts

*The best gifts in life  
will never be found under a  
Christmas tree,  
those gifts are friends,  
family and the ones you love.*

