

Anniversaries

Kathleen O'Reilly, Clougheenduan.
Tim & Peggy Coakley, Ballinaboy.
Jim & Nora Reynolds, Bawnleigh.
John & Nora O'Keeffe, Kingsland.
Larry & Kay Diffley, Longford.
Tim Joe Hurley, Springmount.
Kelleher Family, Knocklucy.
Peter O'Keeffe, Kingsland.
Michael Cusack, Limerick.
Jerry Lane, Skehanagh.
Nora Ahern, Ballinaboy.
Helena Walsh, Knocklucy.
Carmel Walsh, Ballinlough.
Donie Murphy, Turners Cross.



We Remember

Dorothy Hendrick, Rigsdale;
David Christopher (Christy) Buckley, Ballynoe;
Kitty Butler (née Fenton)
Meadstown, Ballygarvan;



Katherine (Kitty) Lombard
(née Forrest) Old Abbey, Waterfall;
Nora Tessie) Murphy (née Sheehan)
Abbey View, Waterfall;

Timothy (Tim) Finn, Tulligbeg &
Timoleague;
Sr. Mary Hildegarde O'Keeffe, Bristol
& Adamstown;
Gerard O'Halloran, Rigsdale &
Bandon who died recently.



*We pray for their families,
neighbours and friends.*

In death life is changed not ended

MASS TIMES Next Week:-

Wednesday 21st:-

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 22nd:-

Ballyheada 9.30am

Friday 23rd:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Saturday 24th:- Vigil

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 25th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am

Goggins Hill 11.30am

Gougane Sunday 2022

The annual pilgrimage in honour of St. Finbarr will take place on Sunday **September 25th** (the feast day of St. Finbarr) **Rosary** will be recited at **2.30pm**. **Mass** celebrated at **3.00pm** by Most Rev. Fintan Gavin, Bishop of Cork & Ross. This year marks the 120th anniversary of the dedication of St. Finbarr's Oratory, Gougane Barra. The Oratory was built in 1900 and opened in 1901 and dedicated on August 15th 1902.

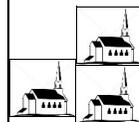
Weekly Offertory COLLECTION

Basket at the church door for your envelopes and coin. Thanks for your ongoing weekly support.

Ballinhassig Parish

Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill



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Mary O'Halloran
writes...

Impermanence of Everything

Summer has come to an end and fortunately this year after our wet and stormy spring weather conditions which impacted on everybody, we all enjoyed a beautiful summer.

The turbulent summer weather wise of rain and extreme heat was welcomed and enjoyed by all, particularly the children on their school holidays, people holidaying within Ireland and foreign visitors to Ireland. The long fine summer was welcomed for family get togethers, and particularly by the farming community for harvesting the grain and various other crops while finding it difficult for grass management and water supplies.



*Since the beginning of the year despite extremes of weather, untimely deaths, illness, financial and other personal difficulties, autumn has already made its presence known and is upon us once again. Holidays are over, routine has begun and the **weekly Newsletter** is back.*



There is something special in the arrival of autumn, the leaves are turning gold, russet and red, wild fruits and berries are beginning to ripen, the days are getting shorter, and a faint chill is in the air. We pull out our favourite sweaters, and are drawn to the comfort of the hearth, and realise the seasons can be compared with the various stages of our lives. As we watch leaves fluttering to the ground we are reminded that nature's cycles are mirrored in our own lives.



Spring heralds new life and fast growth; the heat of the summer can equate to the period in our lives when our days seem long. Then we reach the calm, beautiful season of autumn.

Our lives mellow with the colours of nature; we slow down a little; as we come to appreciate the natural order of things. Autumn is a time of letting go and releasing things that have been a burden. Nature gives us the gift of 'being,' and when we reflect on the beauty around us, we are open to a whole new world of inspiration and love. Autumn reminds us of the impermanence of everything.



We experienced the budding of life in spring, the flowering and profusion of summer.

As the leaves fall the bare branches remind us of the fleeting nature of all things, this is the same year after year.

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Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

Thirty First Edition



Holidays are over, following an eventful and unprecedented summer, routine has begun and the **weekly Newsletter** is back along with our autumn weather. This publication is the **Thirty First Edition of the Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter**. Since its introduction in the autumn thirty one years ago it has been published voluntarily on a weekly basis from September to June.

Thanks to everyone who submits news, the remaining few who distribute it to station areas and the many parishioners who were involved in any way with the publication over the years.

The newsletter is now produced, edited and printed in the **P.A.N. Centre (Parish Office)**. It contains both church related and news from individuals, clubs and organisations from all areas of the parish. The publication may look small, but it takes effort and dedication to keep it going week after week, year after year.

We hope you will continue to enjoy and support our Newsletter and that it will continue to meet the parishioners needs as a means of communicating parish related information.

We would like to take this opportunity to once again remind all individuals, clubs and organisations to continue to send in the news from all areas of the parish. It is essential that notices/news are received in the **P.A.N. Centre (Parish Office) by 2.00pm on Wednesday;**
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Looking forward to your continued support and co-operation in the year ahead. (Mary O'Halloran P.A.N. Centre (Parish Office))

Second Collection

Special collection next week end Saturday/Sunday September 24th/25th is for Priesthood Education.

Feast Days next Week

Wednesday 21st St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist.
Friday 23rd:- St Pius of Pietrelcina (**Padre Pio**)

Readings September 25th

Am 6:1, 4-7.
 Ps 145:6-10, R/ v 2.
 1 Tim 16:11-16. Lk 16:19-31



Sympathies

Sympathy List will be published next week.

Appointments to Families of Parishes

Changes to personnel in the Diocese of Cork & Ross were announced at the beginning of August. Going forward Parishes will function as a member of a **Family Of Parishes**, that being anywhere between four and six. Our Family of Parishes includes **Clontead, Courceys, Kinsale and Ballinhassig**.

Fr. Robert Young in Kinsale will be Co-PP and Moderator; Fr. Michael Regan Co-PP, Clontead; Fr. Michael O'Mahony Co-PP, Courceys and Fr. Daniel Pyburn Co-PP, Ballinhassig. Our Family of Parishes says farewell to Fr. Christy Fitzgerald as we welcome Fr. Daniel Pyburn, previously PP in Caheragh. We wish Fr. Daniel well in his new role as he continues his spiritual and pastoral care.

The following Farewell speech was written by Rev. John Guirey

Fr. Christy as you move to new beginnings we thank you for your wisdom and guidance in your role as parish priest over these past 6 years. Your visits to the sick will be greatly missed. Your interaction and guidance with teachers and pupils in preparing the school kids for both 1st Communion and Confirmation will also be greatly missed.

Legacy is not leaving something for people, it is leaving something in people, and for the people of Ballinhassig, it is the joy and love in the Lord that you spread. This was borne out by your determination to celebrate the mass and beam it throughout the parish and beyond via Facebook when few of the parishes within the diocese carried out this practice. With the aid of the parish finance committee, you helped in reducing the parish debt. Sadly, you are leaving before we celebrate the final Bicentenary of our 3 churches, namely Ballyheada. But you've left your mark in our celebrations of the Mountain and Ballygarvan bicentenaries. Fr. Christy, you always strive for perfection in everything you do, but at times you may fall short, because you know and I know, that the only person perfect is God himself and we all bow to his superiority.

Besides missing your towering presence, we'll miss your words of wisdom and joy in your preaching. Thank you for your inspirational leadership. Your leadership as the Diocesan Liturgist came into practice. It is a challenging and most difficult position in clerical circles and is probably the most unenviable and unpopular position of Clergy. It is you, the Liturgist, that has to make sure that our faith is practiced to the letter of the word irrespective of how unpopular it maybe to clergy and lay people alike. Having built up a relationship with the people of Ballinhassig over the past 6 years it is not easy to let go, but you will always be remembered in our prayers and please don't be a stranger, visit us when you can. We will carry you in our minds and hearts. The people of Ballinhassig will miss you.

So, on behalf of everybody here, I wish you every success and joy in the family of parishes of Glounthaune, Little Island, Glanmire, Knockraha, Wattergrasshill, Glenville and Carrignavar. May the Holy Spirit Guide you well in these challenging times as you take up your new position as Moderator of these cluster of parishes.

For Your Diary:-

Fr. Christy Farewell /Thanksgiving Afternoon (2.30pm-4.30pm)
Marian Hall, Ballinhassig Sunday October 23rd

(More details next week)