

Anniversaries

Denis Minihane, Ballea.
Mary Collins, Ballea.
Eileen Kelleher, Knocklucy.
Mary O'Donovan, Coolatooder.
Patrick O'Donovan, Coolatooder.



Saturday 18th:- Vigil

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Mass Intentions:-

Liam & Teresa Duggan, Bandon.
Cornelius Duggan, Goggins Hill.
Miah Buckley, Bishopstown.
John Walsh, Knocklucy.
Tim Walsh, Blackrock & Knocklucy.
Matthew Kehoe Ahern, Dunmanway.

Sunday 19th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am

Mass Intentions:-

Nora Lyons, Ballynabearna.

Goggins Hill 11.30am

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Frank & Finola Rice, Goggins Hill.
Jim O'Connell, Gortnaclough.
Jeremiah Bruton, The Lough.
Bridget Bruton, The Lough.
Paddy & Hannah Coleman, Briar Hill

Ash Wednesday- Fast Day

Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent and is only one of two days in the year (other being Good Friday) that are days of *Fast and Abstinence*. People aged 18-59 are asked to fast and those over 14 to abstain from meat.

MASS TIMES Next Week:-

Wednesday 22nd:- Ash Wednesday

Goggins Hill 9.30am

Thursday 23rd:-

Ballyheada 9.30am

Friday 24th:-

Ballygarvan 9.30am

Saturday 25th:-

Ballyheada 7.00pm

Sunday 26th:-

Ballygarvan 10.00am

Goggins Hill 11.30am

Ash Wednesday 22nd

Blessed Ashes will be administered at **9.30am** Mass in Goggins Hill and available throughout the day, to administer yourself or to take to others.



Blessed Ashes will be available in **Ballyheada & Ballygarvan** church **after 11am** for people to administer themselves or to take to others.

Blessed Ashes will be brought to the **three schools** and **Bishopscourt** by **Deacon John & Eucharistic Ministers**.



Ballinhassig Parish

Newsletter

for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill



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Mary O'H writes...

Season of Reflection

The *Season of Lent* offers us as Christians an opportunity for reflection.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, we are asked to fast on that day as Jesus did in the desert. We also receive **ashes** as an outward sign of our willingness to turn back to God. The Gospel tells us how to approach that renewal of our lives by **prayer, fasting and almsgiving**. We are encouraged to stop, to take a look at our lives, to see where we are going. It is at this time of the year that we are encouraged to step out of our usual patterns of life and become more aware of our relationship with ourselves, with others and with our God. We are invited to turn away from the busyness of everyday life and turn once again towards God.



The **Trocaire Box** will serve as a reminder of the giving aspect of the Lenten season.

LENT....

- .. **Lent** begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday.
- .. It lasts for **forty days**, reflecting the forty days that Jesus spent in the desert.
- .. **Lent** is a time for **Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving**.
- .. **Purple** vestments are worn by the priest during **Lent**.
- .. The **Gloria and Alleluia** are not prayed during **Lent**.
- .. Decoration of the **sanctuary and altar** are **simple** during **Lent**.
- .. **Lent** is a time **to give up** or **take up** in preparation for **Easter**.



Readings February 26th

Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7. Ps 50:3-6, 12-14, 17. R/ cf v 3. Rm 5:12-19. Mt 4:1-11.

2023 Ballinhassig Parish Newsletter

Notices for inclusion should be received not later than 2.00pm on Wednesday
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Prayer for Ash Wednesday

Merciful God,

Through your prophet, Joel you reminded us of the true meaning of penitence.

As the holy season of Lent begins, turn my heart towards you.

Let the mark of ashes remind me throughout the season of this call to conversion.

May my repentance be truthful and sincere.

May my prayer be open to your guidance and grace.

May my almsgiving be generous and without strings or restrictions.

In the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, I pray. Amen.



No Dumping

Please do not dump refuse, rubble etc in Goggins Hill Car Park and also in Ballyheada Car park.

Bookings

Book your wedding; baptism, contact the PAN Centre (Parish Office) **4885062**.

Mass Cards

Available at the PAN Centre (Parish Office) **4885062**.



Lenten Prayer & Reflection

In this season of Lent we need to turn our attention to our inner preparation for Easter.

During Lent, on Wednesdays (beginning next week on Ash Wednesday 22nd) a short **Prayer Service/Reflection** will be held in **Ballygarvan Church at 7.30pm** and led by *Rev. John Guirey*. Join your fellow parishioners for prayer and reflection on our Lenten journey. All welcome.



Anam Cara

Anam Cara West Cork the organisation that supports bereaved parents, are holding a 'Parent Evening' in the Mill Court, Bandon on Tuesday February 21st at 7.20pm. Free event and open to all bereaved parents. Further details 085 288 8888 or info@anamcara.ie

Thought:- Those who fear the darkness have no idea what the light can do.

Trócaire – Lent

Traditionally, during **Lent** we make a special effort of supporting our brothers and sisters in need. We in Ireland, have done that through the **Trócaire Lenten Campaign**. **Trócaire boxes** are available in the three churches from this week end.

This year the focus is on **Nasteha** and her family in Somalia. Before the drought came **Nasteha**, her parents **Mahat** and **Ambiyo** and their seven other children had a good life. They owned a plot of land and 200 goats.

Two years without rain changed everything. Crops failed, rivers ran dry and their goats died. All they have now is each other. Your generosity as usual will be appreciated.

Day of Prayer for Temperance

This Sunday February 19th is Day of Prayer for Temperance. Please pray for all suffering from addiction and their families, relatives and friends.

Social & Active

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club will hold their next monthly **Social** in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig from 2.30pm-4.30pm on Thursday **March 9th**. *All welcome*

Carry on Regardless Show

Will take place from **March 16th –19th** in the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig.

Those who still have tickets 2020 tickets please call to the Marian Hall on

Friday February 17th from 7.30pm-8.00pm; and Sunday February 19th from 2.30pm-3.00pm.

No further swaps after 19th, purchase tickets for this years show at those times.

Ballinhassig Camogie Club

Camogie Training for the Intermediate Team has resumed. New members always welcome. Further details on club, training dates and times contact Angela **087 9904011**.

All welcome.



Turkey Earthquake Appeal

Wanted **non perishable food items and clothing** for the Turkish Earthquake Appeal. Please hand in or purchase in **COTTRELL'S GALA**, Ballinhassig.

Cash donations also appreciated and can be handed in to the **POST OFFICE** in Cottrell's Gala, Ballinhassig. All donations greatly appreciated no matter how small.



Prayer For Natural Disasters

Protect all who are in any form of danger; provide help to those in need; strengthen the weary; console the grieving; heal the suffering; and bless those engaged in disaster relief efforts with safety and courage. Help all people of good will respond with compassion and generous hearts. **Amen**.



Radio Maria

Is an Irish run catholic Talk-Radio Station. Prayer, Music, Talks, Interviews etc.

Listen via free app **www.radiomaria.ie**

Live radio at **353 (0) 1 437 3277**. All welcome.

Child Minder Wanted

Wanted childminder 2/3 days per week from May onwards for an 11 month old boy.

Contact **085 8485621**.

Helpers

Young Adult Helpers (18-25) required for **Cork & Ross Lourdes Pilgrimage 2023** from September 22nd to 27th, 2023.

Further information **085 2525040** or email; lourdes@corkandross.org.

Matt Talbot Novena

The Novena in honour of Matt Talbot will begin on Monday February 27th at 7.30pm in The Way of the Cross, church Toghher and continue every Monday during Lent.

Online Lenten Retreat

Priory Institute free online retreat. Details www.prioryinstitute.com All welcome.