Anniversaries

Joan Desmond, Ballyheada.
Dan Coomey, Briar Hill.
Martin Griffin, Skehanagh.
Michael O'Halloran, Farmers Cross.

Saturday 31st:- Vigil
Ballyheada 7.00pm
No Mass Intentions:-

Sunday 1st:-
Ballygarvan 10.00am
No Mass Intentions:-

ALL SAINTS DAY

Goggins Hill 11.30am
Mass Intentions:-
Missa Pro Populo (FOP)

We Remember

Pamela Coughlan Whelton, *Ballinhassig & Blackrock.*
Jim (James) **Sheehan,** *Rigsdale.*
Marie Kelleher, *Kilmallock* who died during the week.
We pray for their families neighbours and friends.

In death Life is changed not Ended.

Holy Souls Novena (FOP) Kinsale:-
Parish Church Monday 2nd/Tuesday 3rd at 8.30pm. Saturday 7th at 6.30pm; Sunday 8th at 12noon.
Monday 9th/Tuesday 10th at 8.30pm.
Friary:- Monday to Saturday 10.00am Sunday 8.30am and 11.00am.

MASS Times Next Week:-

HOLY SOULS NOVENA

Monday 2nd:- *All Soul's Day*
Ballygarvan 9.30am
Goggins Hill 7.00pm

Tuesday 3rd:-
Ballygarvan 9.30am
Goggins Hill 7.00pm

Wednesday 4th:-
Ballygarvan 9.30am
Goggins Hill 7.00pm

Thursday 5th:-
Ballygarvan 9.30am
Goggins Hill 7.00pm

Friday 6th:-
Ballygarvan 9.30am
Goggins Hill 7.00pm

Adoration:- Ballygarvan every Friday after 9.30am Mass**.**

Saturday 7th:-
Ballygarvan 9.30am
First Saturday Prayers before Mass.
Ballyheada:- 7.00pm
Confession **before** Mass.
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Sunday 8th:-
Ballygarvan 10.00am
Goggins Hill 11.30am

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for Ballygarvan, Ballyheada and Goggins Hill

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Mary O'H writes.....

Remembrance and Thanksgiving for our Loved Ones

Many people find November a difficult month, those who have been recently bereaved and those who carry the scars from a past painful bereavement.

Most of November we concentrate on remembering our deceased loved ones:- ***The Holy Souls Novena, the visits to the graveyard,*** while these are spiritually good for us they make it impossible for people to avoid being revisited by the pain and loss of a loved one.

We hold dear the memory of those who have been a truly significant part of each of us. *The gift of memory and its place within our hearts brings us consolation*. Our hearts are warmed by the comfort of others and slowly over time we begin to heal and embrace life once again as our loved ones would wish us to live.

We ask God to heal our pain and sadness as the month of November is a time of **Remembrance and Thanksgiving** for the **lives of our loved ones**, no matter how long or short that earthly life was.

Reflection:-

Holy Souls

Holy souls are special people
Whom from us God did call
We are left here broken hearted
For we love them one and all.
All we have left is just our memories
Of the times when they were near
Longing for those precious moments
Wishing they were here.
But death is not the end for us
It is just an open door where
some day we will be with them
With more happiness that before.

Once again with all our loved ones
All our sorrow it will end
In God's home we'll be re united
Parents, family and friends.
So in this special holy month
Remember them and pray
Those holy souls our own
dear loved ones to God
are on their way.

The sky is still as blue, the grass is still as green, the birds sing as sweetly, the flowers have not lost their fragrance, it may not seem so at the moment but slowly it will.

Blessing of Graves

The **Annual Prayers & Blessing of the Graves** in the parish graveyards will take place as follows:

Sunday **November 1st:-** Goggins Hill after 11.30am Mass

Sunday **November 8th:-**
Liscleary 2.00pm; Killingley 3.00pm

Fr. Sean will Bless every Grave and graveyard Prayers will be said.

St. James Cemetery Chetwynd, November 1st at 3.00pm
St. Finbarr's Cemetery, Glasheen, November 8th at 2.30pm.

***Family Of Parishes**:- Kinsale November 8th as follows:-*
Tissaxon 2.00pm; ***Dunderrow*** 2.30pm; ***Forthill*** 3.00pm; ***St. Eltin's*** 3.30pm; ***Abbey*** 4.00pm followed by prayers at the Famine Graveyard.

Plenary Indulgences in November

By long tradition, plenary indulgences for the souls of the departed may be gained in November as Follows:-

On All Souls Day
A Plenary indulgence for the holy souls may be gained once between noon on *November 1st and midnight on November 2nd,* by visiting a church or oratory and there reciting *one Our Father and the Apostles' Creed.* The person making this prayer must:
* Have ***recently*** received the ***Sacrament of Confession*** (any time within the week preceding or the week following November 1st)

* Have ***received Holy Comunion*** (any day from November 1st to 8th).

* Have ***prayed for the Pope's intentions***:- one Our Father and one Hail Mary, or any other prayer of one's choice.

On any day in November
A plenary indulgence for the holy souls may be gained **once each day** between November 1st and 8th, by visiting a cemetery and praying for the dead. The same conditions as above (confession, communion and prayer for the pope's intentions) are also required.

The Annual **Parish Mass for the Bereaved** will be held in **Ballyheada church** on Friday **November 20th at 7.00pm.**

Prayer of St. Gertrude: Releasing Souls from Purgatory

The Prayer of St. Gertrude is a traditional Catholic Prayer offered for the Souls in Purgatory. According to Catholic tradition, Jesus promised St. Gertrude that reciting this prayer devoutly would release 1000 souls from Purgatory each time it is said.

Eternal Father, I offer You the most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, those in my home, and within my family. Amen

Holy Souls Novena

Ballygarvan **9.30am**
Goggins Hill **7.00pm**

Rosary for October

Thanks to ***Fr. Sean*** for leading the ***Rosary in Ballyheada*** on Thursdays during October after 9.30am Mass.

Rosary for October

Thanks to those who led the Rosary at **Ballinabearna Grotto** on Wednesdays during October at 7.00pm.

Ballinhassig Parish Social & Active Retirement Club :-

Monthly Social **November 12th** in the **Marian Hall,** Ballinhassig.
Time:- **2.30pm-4.30pm**.
Afternoon includes:- Guest speaker ***Rose McCarthy*** who will give a *presentation* and *talk on Osteoarthritis, Osteoporosis, Osteopaenia, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Sleep, well being and care of the elderly, followed by* chat, cuppa, raffle and refreshments.
These social afternoons are **open to all, particularly over 50's.** *All welcome.*

Thank You

Fr. Sean would like to sincerely thank all those who have already returned their ***Autumn Dues and Petrol.***
Your generosity and support is much appreciated.

November Offering Envelopes

November offering envelopes are now available in the three churches.
Please return your envelope with **your list of deceased loved ones** on or before the opening Novena Mass.
We have loved them in life,
Let us not forget them in death.

Scrap Metal This Weekend.
Ballinhassig GAA Grounds this week end. Queries **087 6579 925.**

Douglas Young at Heart Information Day
Rochestown Park Hotel **November 24th.**
Topics:- Wills, Power of Attorney etc, - Planning for the future. Free event but booking essential **087 7781 963.**

Carry On Regardless

The Committee of Carry On Regardless have vacancies for children born in **2019** to join the cast. If your child was born in 2019 and interested contact **086 0410 707** before **November 6th.** *All welcome.*

Candle Lighting

On the first morning and evening of the Novena Mass everyone who wishes to remember their loved ones can collect a candle at the door and light it at the altar before Mass. The candles will be lit daily for the duration of the Novena.