

The annual Collection for the Education of Students for the Priesthood will take place next weekend of September 24th/25th, 2016.

Sum of Money lost in Caherlag area. If you have found it please contact Trish in the parish office on 021 4353366.

Step Dancing & Other Steps: Thursday 8.30-10pm in the Community Hall, Carraigthuathail. For fun & fitness – take the floor! Enquiries to Phyllis 021 4962060.

S.O.S. – Little Island Community Association Bingo urgently need your support 8.30pm on Thursday evenings.

Autumn Station Masses		
Area	Venue	Date
Caherlag & Rougrane	Richard & Margaret Guinee	Thurs 22 nd Sept.
Ballyvinny & Coolnacaha	Veronica Forde	Friday 23 rd Sept
Tower Hill, Kilcoolishal, Rockgrove	Pat & Mary Finn	Friday 23 rd Sept
Windsor Hill, Corryfield & Sunville	Tom & Mary Cahill	Friday 30 th Sept.
Highlands North & Cois Chuain	Liam & Regina Lehane	Friday 30 th Sept
Clash Road	Seán & Bunny O'Connell	Wednes 12 th Oct.
Ballingohig & Kilrussane	Con & Nora Dennehy	Friday 14 th Oct
St Lappan's Place & Ballyverry	Little Island Sports Complex	Friday 14 th Oct
Island Cross & Castleview	Carmel O'Sullivan	Tuesday 18 th Oct.
Killahora North	Berna & Barry Murphy	Friday 21 st Oct
Shanballyrea & Monaneigue	John & Elizabeth Walsh	Friday 21 st Oct
Courtstown, Ballytrasna Park, Castlewood, Church Court, The Greens, Meadow Lawn, Ballinderrig	Church of St Joseph, Little Island	Thursday 13 th October at 7.30pm
Killeena, Maryville & Glenmore, Blossomgrove, Ballyvisteale & Ballinagoul, Brookhill & Glencrea, Knockraha Village, Chapel Field & Lane, Ard Abhainn, Radharc na Tuaithe	St. Mary's Knockraha	Friday 7 th October at 7.30pm
Johnstown, Lackenroe & Carberytown, Dunkettle & North Esk, Annmount, Richmond & Ballinglanna, Glyntown, Corbally & Chestnut Meadows, Ardcarraig, Ashington, Rivergrove, Marwood, Coppervalley, Forrest Park, Beecdhwood Avenue, Willow Gardens, Fernwood, Brooklodge Drive, Grove & Square, The Paddocks, Glounthaune Village, Dry Bridge, The Cliff, Waterside, The Woods	Sacred Heart Church, Glounthaune	Thursday 20 th October at 7.30pm

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Fr Ted Sheehan – 087 2033756

Fr Anthony Buckley – 087 2744617

Emergency – 086 8845055

Parish Office – 021 4353366

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) in Syria

Christians in Marmarita, one of the largest villages in Syria's Valley of the Christians, are receiving priority help as they escape there from conflict-ridden Homs. *"Because of the street fighting, thousands upon thousands of families have left their homes to take refuge elsewhere,"* writes a priest, who cannot be named for security reasons. With your help, ACN are able to offer emergency support for families – children's education, trauma counselling, food supplies and shelter, bedding and kitchen utensils. The conflict has unleashed widespread and intense religious hatred – violent threats against Christians, bomb attacks against churches and attempts to flush the faithful out of communities where the Gospel has been preached since earliest days. But the faithful refuse to give in to despair. Describing his work in Homs, Jesuit priest Fr Ziad told Aid to the Church in Need: *"We have a great hope. Churches still ring bells for prayers and people come for Mass."*

Jesuit priest Fr Ziad Hilal is providing food, shelter and medicine for people from Homs in Syria. The city was home to the country's second largest Christian community but most have fled after heavy fighting.

When Fr Ziad first opened his centre, 1,000 families came – and the numbers kept growing. *"Almost all the people need help,"* he said. Fr Ziad described *"many*

explosions" taking place near his church in Homs. But he said the situation was worse for a fellow Jesuit priest and 74 Christians trapped in Homs Old City, where they live in a *"siege-like manner"* and are dependent on parcels of Aid to the Church in Need aid. Quoting Pope Francis, Fr Ziad wrote: *"Nobody can steal our hope."*

As civil war rages in Syria, families in Aleppo have been left with no jobs, facing extortionate prices for food and goods and with only the merest help to survive. With your help, Sister Annie is continuing the work begun by Fr Jules Baghdassarian – who died suddenly of a heart attack in November 2012 – helping these families to survive. But she desperately needs more funds. Sister Annie told us: *"These families do not get any help except a small food package each month which is hardly sufficient for a couple of days Despite the dramatically difficult situation, people still do not want to leave their homes,"* said Sister Annie. Others have arrived from parts of Aleppo devastated by fierce fighting and Sister Annie explained: *"We help some families to find housing and to pay rent because they have lost everything and have no money with them in order to buy food."*

How can you help??..... You can help by supporting a "Bric a Brac" sale in the Church Centre on the weekend of 1st/2nd October. You can donate good quality small items for sale, you can help out on the day both selling goods and providing light refreshments. If you are interested in turning this event into a huge success for Aid to the Church in Need & their work in Syria you are invited to a meeting in the church centre on Thursday evening 22nd September at 7pm. Enquiries to Trish in the Parish Office 021 4353366.



Harry Foley, Inniscarra whose funeral took place on Tuesday. We extend our sympathy to his sister Ann O'Byrne and family, Annmount. May he rest in peace.

Masses for the week ahead

- Monday 12th Glounthaune @ 10am:**
Fr William Walshe Anniversary
Private Intentions
- Tuesday 13th Glounthaune @ 10am:**
Kitty O'Donovan Anniversary
- Wednes 14th Glounthaune @ 10am:**
John o'Callaghan Anniversary
- Thursday 15th Little Island @ 10am:**
John Bennett R.I.P.
- Friday 16th Little Island @ 10am:**
Elizabeth O'Gorman Anniv

Mass Intentions 24th/25th

- Saturday, Glounthaune @ 6pm:**
Maureen O'Donovan Anniversary
- Sunday, Glounthaune @ 9am:**
Veronica Prior R.I.P.
Brian Conway Anniversary
- Sunday, Knockraha @ 10am:**
Patsy McCarthy Anniversary
- Sunday, Little Island @ 11am:**
Michael O'Flynn Anniversary
Jack Cashman Anniversary
Michael Twohig Anniversary
- Sunday, Glounthaune @ 12 noon:**
Finbarr McCarthy Anniversary

UCC Diploma in Autism Studies -

Registration for this part-time night course (Level 6/7 Certificate/Diploma) is open until Friday 23rd September. Full details on www.ucc.ie/en/ace-daus/ or phone 021-490 4700.

A Catholic Catechism & The Penny Catechism – both for sale in the parish office. €2.50 each. All proceeds towards Aid to the Church in Need.

Adoration is a Gateway to Great Happiness and Heaven.

Today Jesus is neglected and abandoned in his Holy Churches. This is Jesus our dearest friend who says "I thirst to love you, and to be loved by you. You are precious to me".

Jesus, in the Blessed Sacrament is the source of everything that is good.

The time that you will spend with devotion before the Most Divine Sacrament will be the most beneficial to you in life and the greatest consolation in death and eternity. "I will reward you in a measure utterly beyond your greatest expectations".

Everyone on Earth wants Happiness.

The Blessed Sacrament is Jesus crying out that our happiness is possession of Him and all that he is. By choosing Jesus and preferring His love to all others we will have true happiness forever.

Adoration Details

- Tuesday; 7-9pm; Church Centre, Glounthaune
- Wednesday 10.30am-6pm, Church Centre
- Friday; 10.30am – 3pm; St Joseph's Church Little Island

Please consider giving Jesus a little time each week.

You will never regret it. If you are prepared to give a ½ hour or 1 hour per week even on a trial basis contact Diane on 086 0816005 (Little Island) or Michael on 086 3652186 (Glounthaune). They will be delighted to hear from you.

Bible Study – Church Centre – beginning this Thursday 22nd September from 7.30pm to 8.15pm. All welcome.

**St Vincent de Paul Helpline
021 4270444 or 087 1520360**

The Society of St Vincent de Paul have recently started up a charity shop in Glanmire shopping Centre. These shops generate much needed funds for the Society. Please remember us and next time you're in the area drop in and have a browse, or to donate goods for sale! Whichever, your support will be appreciated.

Erin's Own Lotto; 14th Sept. Numbers drawn: 1,12,18,27. No winner. €30: T O'Mahony, V Riordan, P Murphy Next week's jackpot: **€1,260. Erins Own Senior Hurling Championship Semi Final V Midleton on Sunday September 25th at 2:30pm** in Pairc Ui Rinn. **Please support.**

Glounthaune Tidy Towns Garden Walk on Sunday 25/09/2016, between 2pm & 6pm, Hester and Paddy Forde will host a Garden Walk, at their address, 'Coosheen' 15 Johnstown Park, Glounthaune.

Restoration of Parochial House

Restoration works, including re-roofing, re-rendering external walls and significant internal works to floors and walls will be carried out on the Parochial House in Glounthaune over the coming months. Any parties interested in tendering for these works should submit their details to Matt O'Mahony & Associates, 8 Sidney Place, Wellington Road by four o'clock on Friday the 23rd of September.

The Parish Pastoral Council are in the process of organising Fr John Paul's farewell. If you wish to make a donation towards a gift for Fr John Paul, please put

same in an envelope marked "Fr John Paul" and return it to the parish office or put it in the offertory collection basket. Thank you.

Open Garden in Aid of Marymount Hospice on Saturday 24th September from 1pm to 6pm at Bruno Nicolai, Gatelodge, Castle Road, Blackrock. Admission by donation.

Gougane Barra Sunday, Year of Mercy, 25th September. Rosary at 2pm. Concelebrated Mass at 2.30pm. Cardinal Seán Brady, Archbishop Emeritus of Armagh, will preach the homily. *To commemorate the Year of Mercy a Gate/Door of Mercy will be created at the entrance to St Finbarr's Island.

UCC's Diploma in Local and Regional Studies

– **Midleton** - This part-time course is aimed at those with an interest in local history and heritage, members of historical societies, and those working or volunteering in the heritage sector. Lectures on Thursday evenings from 6.30 – 9.30pm in Midleton GAA club over two academic years. The closing date for applications is the 23 September 2016. Further details can be found at <https://www.ucc.ie/en/ace-dlrs/> For queries please contact Dr Griffin Murray at 021 4904731.

South Chapel's 250th

Friday 23rd September, a Gala Fundraising Concert at 8 pm. Saturday a Heritage Day. Sunday 25th St. Finbarr's Day the 250th Anniversary Mass at 11 am.

Tickets for the Gala Concert €20, available at the Parish Office, or phone 0851471147 (payment by cheque or PayPal) and also from Pro Musica.