

Would You Like to Learn More about Your Faith.

About the changes since Vatican II. Or about understanding the Sunday readings. Or about what your children are learning in school. Or about Christian Morality in everyday living? If you would like to learn more, you'll have a chance to tell us about it. Because during the coming week, we'll be circulating a questionnaire to every house in the parish. We would be grateful if you would let us know your views, and enclose them with your Easter Dues Envelope. And maybe, as a result of knowing how you feel, we may be of better service to you.

The Easter Dues envelopes will be handed out during the coming week. It would be great if they were all back within a fortnight.

SUPERPAGE, of Douglas, who handle our emergency calls, tell us that their telephone number has been changed. So, from now on, IF YOU NEED A PRIEST URGENTLY, PLEASE RING 372906. Thank you.

To the Young People of our Parish:

In response to our Bishop's letter on Youth, and because of our own concern for our young people, we would like to hear your views on a variety of topics.

WE KNOW that you have a lot to offer, and that you also have your own particular needs, but ONLY YOU can make us aware of these needs. We look forward to hearing about them at an OPEN DISCUSSION in the CRYFT at 8.30 P.M. next Saturday evening. So if you are in your teens or early twenties, we look forward to seeing you next Saturday evening.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION, Sunday 6th April.....£ 928  
MOCAIRE FAST BOXES (so far).....£ 1414  
NEXT SUNDAY : COLLECTION FOR GOOD SHEPHERD CHARITIES \*\*\*\*\*

Last Sunday's Financial Report neglected to mention two areas of expenditure. For one, the salary of a Parish Sister is paid from Parish Funds. Also, Parish Funds are subject to a levy of 8%, which goes towards maintaining the Diocesan Offices and Officers. This amounted to £ 4319 in 1985.

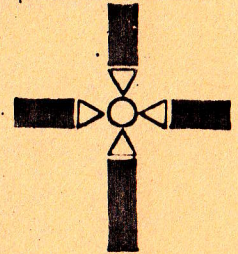
NOTICES: A Cookery Demonstration will be held at Bishopstown Community School this Tuesday at 7.45 P.M. (Proceeds-School Fund)

The Highfield Youth Section hold an auction at Highfield Pavilion this Friday at 7.30 P.M. All are welcome. "Great bargains"

Friday next also sees the AGM of 'Mended Hearts' at Moore's Hotel. All are welcome: it begins at 8.00 P.M.

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Priest on Duty-Rev. John Vaughan 41572. EMERGENCY 372906

# Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin



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● SUNDAY 13TH APRIL, 1986. ●

### Third Sunday of Easter



He has risen. alleluia



Last week's Bulletin looked at the administration of Parish funds, with details of Income and Expenditure over twelve months. If you failed to get a copy of the statement, we still have some in the Sacristy. The parish funds are, as you know, made up of the weekly Offertory collection at Mass, which is for the Parish, not for the priests.



### \*\*\* YOUR PRIESTS' INCOME \*\*\*

THE PRIESTS OF YOUR PARISH have two Major sources, and three minor sources of income.

The Major Sources are:-

● THE CHRISTMAS 'DUES' COLLECTION and

● THE EASTER 'DUES' COLLECTION.

- (These are collected from each home in the Parish, with the help of neighbourhood collectors, to whom we are most grateful.
- With their help, house to house visitation has been
- completely separated from the collection of money.)

★ Often it is thought that the money you give in the Dues collection  
\* goes solely to the priest who visits your home.

\* This is not the case.

\* All the money collected is pooled, and then divided by the priests,  
\* by the ratio 3 : 2

\* This means that the Parish Priest receives 3/7 of all the money collected,  
\* while each of the curates receives 2/7 of all the money collected.

► E.G. You pay £ 7 in Christmas Dues.

Of this, the P.P. receives £ 3, and each of the two curates receives £ 2.

The Minor Sources of Income are:-

● THE CHRISTMAS DAY COLLECTION

● THE EASTER SUNDAY COLLECTION

● THE NOVEMBER OFFERINGS.

Traditionally, people make an Offering on the occasion of Baptism and Marriage; such offerings are also pooled by your priests, and divided in the same ratio as the Christmas and Easter collections.



### \*\*\* AN AFTERTHOUGHT \*\*\*

THE QUESTION most often asked about Christmas and Easter 'Dues' is:-

"How much should I give in Dues ?"

We offer a principle which was of help to people in the past.....

"A THIRD OF A DAY'S PAY, EACH TIME"

We hope that this traditional principle will be of use to you.

Naturally it refers to the income of each wage-earner in a house.

This same principle can be applied to pensions, Social Welfare etc. So this means that each time you pay 'Dues', you would give a third of all daily income. (Gross)