

# NOTICE BOARD

Remember the Missions!

SUNDAY 19th October is Mission Sunday. The Holy Father asks that every Catholic pray for and support missionaries at this Sunday's Mass. The theme of Mission Sunday 1986 is:-

"SHARE THE FAITH WITH JOY".

Visitors Next Sunday

THE COLUMBAN FATHERS are currently visiting the parishes of Cork city. Fr. Aidan Murphy, who has served 24 years on the Korean Mission, will speak at all our Masses next Sunday, 26th October. And the story of the Columban Fathers will be published in next week's Parish Bulletin.

Day of Prayer for Peace

MONDAY 27th October has been designated 'World-Wide Day of Prayer and Fasting for Peace'. On that day, Pope John Paul II will meet world religious leaders at Assisi, and they too will fast and pray for peace.

The Irish Bishops ask that each of us do likewise, thinking particularly of our own troubled land.

In this Parish, there will be a Prayer Vigil for Peace on the evening of the 27th at 7.30 P.M. in the Church of the Holy Spirit. This will replace Evening Mass.

No Mass

NEXT MONDAY (20th Oct.) the Priests of the Parish will be attending an all-day conference in West Cork, on the Sacrament of Penance. Because of this, it won't be possible to have 10.00 Mass. Instead, there will be a Service of Readings, after which Holy Communion will be distributed by Ministers of the Eucharist.

The Masses at 9.00 and 7.30 P.M. will be celebrated as usual.

November Approaches

THE NOVENA for the Holy Souls will begin in two weeks time. Accordingly, the November Envelopes are available at the Church Doors. You are invited to pick one up. Please return it, with your list of Departed Friends and Relatives, before All Souls Day. Each of the Priests of the parish will then offer nine Masses for all our dead.

Help the Travellers

ST CATHERINE's Voluntary Committee for the care of travelling children need help. If you are available to lend a hand between 12.45 and 1.30 on weekdays, please ring 46868 as soon as you can.

## BALLINEASPAIG NO. 51 PARISH BULLETIN

*Church of the Holy Spirit, Dennehy's Cross.*

### SUNDAY MASSES:

7.30 (SAT.), 9.00, 10.00, 11.00 & 12.15.

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

9.00 A.M., 10.00 A.M. & 7.30 P.M.

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**URGENT CALLS:** RING 362906 ANYTIME.



## MISSION SUNDAY OCT 19



*Share the Faith with Joy*

All notices to the Editor before Thursday, please!



## A PARISHIONER WRITES....

"Hillcrest",  
Laburnum Park.

Dear Father,

To state the problem: we have a beautiful church, but many of our parishioners seldom if ever worship in our Parish Church on a Sunday. Why? The reasons vary...

### The Historical Reasons:

Many families lived in the parish long before our church was built. They worshipped at Wilton or at the Sacred Heart Church, or they went into the city centre. Many of the younger generation have followed in their footsteps.

### The Geographical Reasons:

From habit and convenience, many families in the north and west of the parish tend to worship in the Sacred Heart Church. Many in the east would tend toward the Bons or Poor Clares. Others in the south worship at Wilton or in Curaheen. Many in the central area go to the Regional Hospital or St. Catherine's. Other Reasons:

In the early days our Church was badly heated and the acoustics left a lot to be desired. Many found it 'too big, too impersonal'. They missed the intimacy and warmth of smaller churches.

### Resolving the Problem:

Because the reasons are varied, the 'answers' to the problems will be varied, too.

### The Historical Problem:

I think it important that we should extend a welcome to those who live their Christian lives in the parish, but worship outside it. There should be, I think, no trace of criticism - rather we should stress that we are the poorer for their absence.

### The Geographical Problem:

I think it is always worth stating the obvious! Architecturally, we have a beautiful church. We have a dedicated band of ladies who decorate the sanctuary with colour week after week. We have a great pastoral team.

We have a loyal body of lay ministers. We have a wonderful organist/choirmaster and we have two superb choirs whose dedication and ability do full justice to our church.

We have a dedicated sacristan and an excellent body of altar-boys. We have good and loyal collectors who never tire.

It is therefore, I think, a church worth coming to in order to worship God WITH ALL OUR FELLOW-PARISHIONERS - and even if it is a little further away, it's worth the effort!

### Other Problems:

The acoustics problem has been resolved. The heating has been improved. And size: I feel that the church only looks large when it is empty or nearly so. So the answer is, simply, fill it!

Sincerely,  
Pat Lemasney

## Ballineaspig News

### Sad News

JOHN CURTIN, of 34 Farranlea Grove, died suddenly on Sunday last. Sincere sympathy has been extended to his sorrowing wife and family. MARY MURPHY, of "Willbrook", Bishopstown Avenue West, died on Wednesday morning. Her husband, sons, and neighbours will miss a good and gentle lady. May she rest in peace.

### Wedding Bells

EMELDA HOLLAND of 30 Liam Lynch Park married Vincent O'Sullivan of Sneem on Saturday last. Congrats!

### Engagement

A VERY RELIABLE source (i.e. the mother of the groom-to-be) tells me that Greg Canty of Bishopstown Avenue West got engaged to Colette Mulholland on Sunday last.

### Parish-wide Network

SISTER BRENDAN'S network of 'Contact people' was launched at a meeting on Monday last. The idea is that there will be a parish representative on every street and road of our Parish. So that no-one will be deprived of pastoral care, whatever their age.

To be Advertised in Bulletin  
THIS HUMBLE NEWSLETTER has a role in the network of 'Contacts' just set up.

Each week, a number will be introduced to you; between the Monday and Friday following the Contact will make him/herself known to his/her neighbours.

So, if you want to know the 'Contact person' for YOUR area, watch this space!

### Take Note!

THESE ARE the 'contacts' for the Model Farm Road area, and for Bishopstown Avenue: (so mark them on the clevy!)

DENNEHY'S CROSS to BISHOPSTOWN PARK:

Mrs. Joan Dunne (45536)

Mrs. Noreen Murphy (41371)

BISHOPSTOWN PARK to LEE GARAGE:

Mrs. Cait Twomey (41008)

LEE GARAGE to MOUNT MERCY:

Mrs. Sheila O'Sullivan 43824

MOUNT MERCY to CHERRY GROVE:

Mrs. Mary Buckley (41188)

CHERRY GROVE (Original Part):

Mr. Vincent Jones (44762)

CHERRY GROVE (New Part):

Mrs. Ann Horgan (43987)

BISHOPSTOWN AVENUE:

Mrs. Peggie Twomey (44910)

Mrs. Eileen Buckley (45635)

BISHOPSTOWN AVENUE WEST:

Mrs. Neans O'Sullivan 341860

Mrs. Maura Furlong (44586)

## A Reflection

"A DROP OF HELP IS WORTH AN OCEAN OF PITY"  
(Proverb)