

NOTICE BOARD

Attention, Collectors!

THE ANNUAL MEETING of Church Collectors takes place next Thursday evening at 8.00 P.M. in the C.P. Centre. It is important that each Mass be represented, as we hope to assess how many new Collectors are needed.

Altar Boys Take Note!

ALL Altar Boys have a meeting next Friday at 5.00 P.M. sharp in the Sacristy. New recruits are welcome. A full attendance is essential.

Distributors!

NEXT SUNDAY IS the third Sunday of November, and accordingly the Bulletins will, with your help, be distributed to all the homes of the parish. Again, we hope that every home will have its Bulletin by Saturday evening next.

The Christmas Dues letter and Dues Envelope will be enclosed with next Sunday's Bulletin. Distributors in each area also act as Area Collectors for the Dues: we are grateful to them for all their help.

Third World Aid.

THE SURGEON NOONAN PROJECT, which sends senior medical students to developing countries bringing with them drugs and equipment, will be fundraising in the coming months - and your support will be greatly appreciated.

An Evening Out

SENIOR CITIZENS Mass and Social on Tuesday 11th November at 7.30 P.M. in the GAA Club. If transport is needed, please ring 46167.

Sale of Work

ARDFOYLE CONVENT (Bus 2) have a Sale of Work next Sunday 16th in aid of their Ghana Mission. On from 11 to 6, admission is 20 p (10 p for children)

Come up and See us!

THE CHRISTIAN PURSUIT Centre has acquired a bookstand. On it you will find quite a selection of books, all priced between £ 1 and £ 2...as well as Bibles and Sunday Missals.

The Irish Catholic is on sale as usual, as is the Universe, which has a colour Souvenir of Assisi Peace Day.

Veritas Book Shop in Bridge St. have SALE on at the moment - and they have let us have a selection of good value reductions, which is on view at the C.P. Centre.

So, whether you've called already or not, have a look round some day this week. It's open after 10 Mass and before 7.30 P.M.

Advance Notice

TO THE SENIOR CITIZENS and housebound of our Parish. You are invited to an Advent celebration in our Church Crypt. Details will be announced soon!

BALLINEASPAIG NO. 54 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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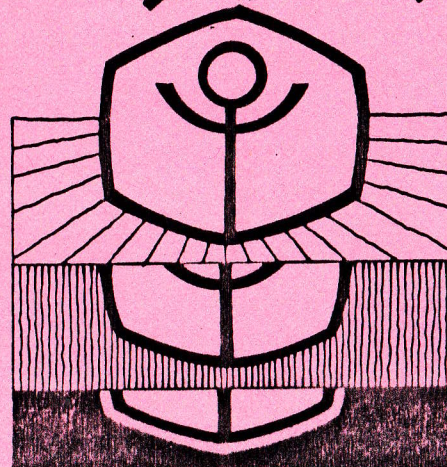
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URGENT CALLS: RING 362906 ANYTIME.



THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

IN 3 DAYS



Jesus said:

"Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days,

I will raise it up." ...

When Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered the words he had said.

(From this Sunday's Gospel)

We believe

that in three days he DID rise from death.

And that he will raise us up, too,

by the power of his victory.

Jesus is our life and our hope.

All notices to the Editor before Thursday, please!

Ballineaspig News

Became Children of God

SINCE ALL SAINTS DAY, we have two more (at least temporary) citizens of Ballineaspig Parish. We welcome MAEVE O'CONNOR, daughter of Maurice and Liz (née Lane), of Melmore, Cherrygrove, to our community. And KATHLEEN AILEEN COFFEY, daughter of Philip and Margaret (née Coveney), of "St. Rita's" Model Farm Road.

Novena Continues

OUR NOVENA FOR our departed friends and relatives concludes this Monday. In all, 539 November envelopes were returned. The priests of the parish are grateful for your November offerings - they almost matched last year's! The lists that you included will remain in the place of honour before the Altar, until the Novena ends.

Question Box

THOSE WITH QUESTIONS for Canon Denis O'Callaghan are invited to drop them in to the box in the Christian Pursuit Centre before Tuesday night. He will try to answer them at our final educational session.

Next Sunday's Readings

SUNDAY NEXT IS THE 33rd in Ordinary Time (Cycle C)
First Reading: from the Prophet Malachi, Chapter 3 : 19 - 20.
Second Reading: from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Thessalonians (2Thess), Chapter 3 : 7 - 12.
Gospel: Luke 21 : 5 - 19.

At Home with God Forever

DAVID HUNTER, of Laburnum Park, died last Monday night, after a long and debilitating illness. Though for many years he was unable to speak, he smiled with ease, and bore his illness cheerfully. Sympathy is expressed to his wife and family, who looked after him devotedly over the years. He was buried in Ardmore, Co. Waterford, May he find peace in Paradise.

Another Instalment...

THIS SUNDAY we continue to publish names of some more, who will act as 'contact people' in the following areas:-

Laburnum Park

North Side:

Mrs. Eileen Lemasney 43681

South Side:

Mrs. Nell Quaid 41681

Laburnum Lawn

Miss Mona Burke 43178

Laburnum Drive

Mrs. Phyllis Ryan 41147

The Ridgeway

Mrs. Mairead Waldron 43810

Wilton Gardens

1 - 30: Lily Carey 45896

31 - 60: Nora Mulcahy 44778

61 - 90: Dolly Keohane 41567

Wilton Road

Roundabout to Wilton Gardens:

West: Dorothy O'Connell 41295

East: Mary Murphy 41677

Wilton Gardens to Dennehy's X:

Noirin Linehan 41669

More Ballineaspig News

'Thank You' Letter

OUR PARISH PRIEST got a nice letter from the Columbans' H.Q. in Navan, during the past week. Fr. Patrick Crowley wrote to say thanks for the warm welcome we all gave Fr. Murray when he preached to us recently. The letter goes on...

"It is very encouraging to find in Ireland today that same warm welcome that our pioneers spoke of when they visited the parishes sixty years ago."

He is grateful, too, for your support of the Columbans' missionary work. And he asks us for our continued prayers.

Your Views

I AM ALWAYS delighted to hear your views on the Bulletin, whether word of criticism or praise. For instance there was quite a reaction to last week's breakdown of the Sunday collection - both positive and negative!

During the week, I received one fairly long letter, purporting to come from "a large group of parishioners." Sadly, I'll never be able to find out how large the group was, as the letter lacked a signature!

So, please, anonymous correspondents, don't waste your energy... NO-ONE takes you seriously until you have the courage to put your name to your views.

A Reflection

TOGETHERNESS

Death is nothing at all -
I have only slipped away
into the next room.
Whatever we were to each other,
that we are still.

Call me

by my old familiar name,
speak to me

the easy way you always used.
Laugh as we always laughed
at the little jokes
we enjoyed together.

Play, smile, think of me,
pray for me.

Let my name be the
household word

that it always was.

Let it be spoken without effort.
Life means all it ever meant.
Why should I be out of mind,
just because I am
out of sight?

I am waiting for you,
for an interval,
somewhere very near,
just around the corner.
All is well.

Nothing is past,
nothing is lost.
One brief moment, and
all will be as it was before -
only better,
infinitely happier and for ever
we will all be one
together with Christ.