

The Exile Returns!

TUESDAY NIGHT is your last chance to wish Father Tadhg Ó Mathúna well in his new appointment. The Mass of Thanksgiving will be at 7.30 P.M., and you are invited to attend. The lay organising committee ask you drop remaining donations in to the Sacristan.

A Most Important Week!

TWO EVENTS OF great importance for this Parish occur this week. The first is the voting in of our first ever Pastoral Council. VOTES MUST BE IN BY SUNDAY NEXT. The second is the enrolment for our Adult Education series. Maybe you might enroll when you drop your vote in to the C.P. Centre!

Our Special Friends...

WE INVITE all our parishioners who are coeliacs to a meeting in the Crypt this Monday night. We are anxious to make gluten-free hosts available, and want to discuss the most efficient way to do this.

Expanding Ministries...

OUR ALTAR BOYS have a new boss! Father John Newman has taken over. And he is anxious to expand our Altar Boy team. Boys aged 9 and over, please sign on in the Sacristy after any Mass.

FOUR NEW Ministers of the Word are also needed. If you are gifted in that area, please get in touch with any of us.

Glór Na nGael, Baile An Easpaig
A NIGHT COURSE in conversational Irish is being help in Gaelscoil Uí Riada (near Wilton Park House) this winter. Enrolment takes place there on Monday night between 7.30 and 9.30.
"FÁILTE ROIMH GACH EINNE"

For the Young at Heart!

AN OVER 60's Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Buckley on Sunday 11th Oct. at 3.30 P.M. at St. Francis' Church.

Keep Fit...!

A QUALIFIED TEACHER holds Keep Fit classes on Tuesday nights at 8 P.M. in Highfield Pavilion.

Attention, Kenley-ites!

THE A.G.M. OF Kenley Residents Association will be held at the Bishopstown G.A.A. Club on Wednesday 7th October at 8.30 PM.

A Reminder

GUIDE DOG SUPPORTERS - don't forget the micro wave demo at the Community School this Tuesday night at 7.30 P.M.

Sunday's Message for You

"VISIT THIS VINE AND PROTECT IT,
THE VINE YOUR RIGHT HAND
HAS PLANTED..."



"There is no need to worry,
but if there is anything you need
pray for it, asking God for it,
with prayer and thanksgiving."
(PHIL 4: 6)



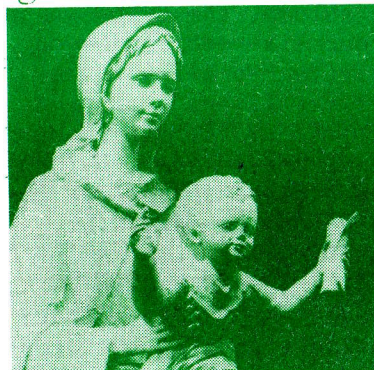
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HOLY VIRGIN by God's decree
You were called eternally,
That He could give
His Son to our race;
Mary we praise you -
Hail full of grace!

By your faith and loving accord
As the handmaid of the Lord,
You undertook God's plan to embrace;
Mary we thank you -
Hail full of grace!

Refuge for your children so weak,
Sure protection all can seek.
Problems of life, you help to face;
Mary we trust you -
Hail full of grace!

To our needy world of today
Love and beauty you portray,
Showing the path
To Christ we must trace;
Mary our Mother -
Hail full of grace!

PASTORAL COUNCIL *News*

"FANTASTIC" IS THE BEST word to describe the response to the Council elections, so far. Just under 270 from the twelve areas of the Parish have been nominated to stand for election.

AND OVER this weekend, Ballot Papers are being prepared, with the names of those in each area who let their names go forward.

THESE BALLOT papers will be given to our distributors at the meeting on Tuesday night. So every parishioner over 18 should receive his/her voting paper by the middle of the week.

THEN THE ELECTION is in your hands! Be sure to vote. All you have to is to place an 'X' opposite the name of the person you think would best represent your area.

EVERYONE in your house over 18 has the right to vote, and each should do so, privately. All the Voting Papers of your house should be enclosed in the envelope provided, and we ask you to write your address on this envelope.

THEN, return your envelope, on or before Sunday 11th October. (Either via your local distributor, or direct to the C.P. Centre.)

Rest In Peace

JACK KIRBY, Bishopstown Avenue, died suddenly on his way to weekday Mass. He is a great loss to his dear wife Kitty. A neighbour remarked - "When they were walking up the road together, they were like people getting to know each other for the first time. They were so closely united." May he rest in peace.

DANIEL J. MURPHY, St. Francis' Avenue, died in Shanakiel after a long illness. He was pre-deceased by his wife a few years ago. Before the Funeral, his remains lay before Our Lady's altar, which his family had donated to the Church. Fr. F.X. Wrenne, a nephew, celebrated the Funeral Mass.



SR. CLARE O'SULLIVAN, a medical doctor, based at St. Catherine's Convent, has been assigned to work with the Catholic Task Force on AIDS. This is a nation-wide group set up by the Irish Bishops to investigate in more detail the various aspects of the AIDS apostolate.

THE MERCY SISTERS have a special interest in the area, says Sister Clare; "We are anxious to clarify our future role in this Ministry of compassion".

Our lives are a manifestation of what we think about God.

Anon.

ADULT EDUCATION

ANNOUNCING...YOUR ANNUAL CHANCE to learn more about your faith! Last autumn, the Crypt was packed for our six-week course on "Christian Morality in our Everyday Lives."

THIS YEAR, our theme comes even closer to home, helping us to understand an area of life that no one can avoid....

"RELATIONSHIPS - IN FAMILY LIFE, AND IN THE COMMUNITY"

A chance for YOU to improve your relationships with the people around you.

THE PLAN for this year's course is as follows:-

- TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER
Relationships in Family Life
Sister Mary Dineen,
Diocesan Family Ministry.
- TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER
Parents and Young Children
Video, followed by discussion
led by Sister Mary Dineen.
- TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER
Relationships in the Neighbourhood
Father Jackie Corkery, Fermoy,
a lively and thought-provoking
speaker.
- TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER
Adult Family Relationships
Dealing with grown-up offspring
elderly relatives etc.
Marjorie and Pat Kinsella

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MEDIA COMMENT

THE LATE LATE SHOW featuring the Maynooth panel proved interesting informative and controversial. Particularly impressive were the three lay panelists. Far from 'loosing' their vocations in Maynooth, I believe they found them there!

I WAS MOST TAKEN by Ray MacAnally. He contrasted true Christian living with the fast-developing Western society, where life is dominated by the wallet and sex, instead of God. He found it to be a sick and sad society. The germ of many a homily there!

SPEAKING OF HOMILIES, our own Bishop Murphy stressed the need for improving the Sunday Homily, during this past week. He was speaking at the opening of the 'Cork and Ross Communications Centre' at St. Maries of the Isle. We know he wasn't referring to us!

BISHOP MICHAEL did not, but might have, reminded us of the obligation on us lay people to listen to the homily. All are searching for the Good News. It would be a pity if our criticism prevented us from hearing it!

MANY OF US knew Father Liam O'Driscoll as Chaplain of the Regional Hospital. He has been made the full-time Communications Officer for our Dioceses. We wish him well in his new role. HE WELCOMES callers to his office at St. Maries of the Isle, especially if they have ideas!

- TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER
Lay - Clergy Relationships
Educator Michael Barry
has some suggestions.
- TUESDAY 17TH NOVEMBER
Parents and Teenagers
Help in difficult times from
Cormac and Phil O'Connor.

ENROLMENT IS ESSENTIAL!
Ensure your place by enrolling at the C.P. Centre during the coming week;

Thursday 10.30 - 11.00
Friday 10.30 - 11.00
Saturday 10.30 - 12.00
Thursday 7.00 - 7.30 P.M.
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Saturday and Sunday -
AFTER EACH SUNDAY MASS.

(The FEE is £ 2, and for students and the unemployed, it is £ 1)

Around the Parish

IN RESPONSE to the suggestions of many parishioners, a letter-box has now been installed in the C.P. Centre!

CELESTE and CELINE, who were postulants in St. Catherine's last year, have both begun their Novitiate in Cobh. In their place is EMER O'SHAUGHNESSY, of Earlwood Estate, The Lough, who will be in St. Catherine's this coming year. 'Fáilte romhat!'

PASTORAL VISITATION will be continuing during this week. Canon Denis will be in Parkway when he has called to the few remaining houses on Wilton Road. Father John will be visiting in Leesdale. And Father Bernard will be in the College Road area.