



BALLINEASPAIG PARISH BULLETIN

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PASTORAL COUNCIL *News*

AS THIS was the last Council meeting of the season all sub-committees reported on progress and plans for the future:

BEREAVEMENT AND COUNSELLING

Emphasis here is on the Contact People and their vital role. Next season it is hoped to arrange a series of meetings to provide expert advice on the problems of widows, the handicapped, the ageing process, first aid, loneliness and grieving, social security entitlements, social welfare.

EDUCATION

COURSES are planned on six topics from our own Christianity to looking at other religions. An area of special note will be the question of celebrating a Christian Christmas.

FAMILY MINISTRY

A PROGRAMME is being organized for couples in the 35-50 age group in September and October. Subjects dealt with will cover the growing family and family relationships.

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION
THE content of a proposed PARISH DIRECTORY is being considered. This would include all church and local information, with some limited advertising.

UNEMPLOYMENT

DISCUSSIONS are being held, with helpful contributions from unemployed people themselves.

YOUTH

EIGHTY-FIVE young people are now attending the Youth Group, all from Parkway and Leesdale. But why are the boys and girls from Kenley not joining?

SO, AT the end of our first year in office, we hope we are fulfilling the expectations of you, our parishioners, who elected us. Remember, this is only the beginning...

EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

IS IT still relevant today?

That is a question being asked by many young - and also some not-so-young people. Is this change of attitude the reason for the ever-declining numbers who attend?

The numbers who walked from our own parish, however, actually increased! This can doubtless be attributed to the overthrow of the male monopoly of this privilege. And what a lovely sense of community there was, so many of us walking together with families and neighbours - and with Christ.

What is so irrelevant? Why has this very traditional ceremony lost its appeal for so many? Is it apathy?

Is it merely that, as one young person has put it, "It has no meaning for me."

Or is it a feeling that concentration on Christ "up there" has given way to a new awareness of Christ being within ourselves?

Having said this, there was great meaning, and indeed relevance, in Fr. Liam O'Driscoll's homily. His message was timeless, a reminder of what living according to Christ's message really involved.



★ CROSSWORD WINNERS ★

1st-KATHLEEN FAHY, Farranlea Grove. (10-inch bud vase)

2nd-O'BRIEN FAMILY, Wilton Road. (£10)

3rd-PHYLLIS GLAVIN, Kilcrea Park. (Yves Saint Laurent perfume)

4th-MRS. MARGARET LAIDE, Wilton Gardens. (Prawn cocktail dishes)

5th-DENIS HEALY, Kenley Road. (£5)

6th-MARY NOLAN, Wilton Road. (Car mirror)

7th-MARION HEFFERNAN, Farranlea Park. (£5)

8th-BETTY AND TERRY LAYTON, Bishopstown Avenue West. (Magic brush)

9th-EILEEN TOBIN, Parochial House. (Crystal d'Arques vase)

10th-HELEN O'HEA, Farranlea Park. (Stationery)

Other correct entries were submitted by:

Hugh Nolan, Wilton Road.

The Gilligan Family, Bishopscourt Hill.

Liam Killeen, Wilton Gardens.

Bessie Dunne, Laburnum Lawn.

Lily Casey, Bendemeer Park.

Phil Power, Laburnum Lawn.

Thomas Newman, Woodlawn.

The Poor Clares.

Aidan O'Shaughnessy, Woodlawn.

Arthur O'Callaghan, Farranlea Grove.

Gerard O'Driscoll, 15 Laurel Grove.

Claire Bradley, 3 Bishopstown Avenue, West.

The Linehan Family, Roskelton, Wilton Road.

Kieran Power, Laburnum Lawn.

Helen Moloney, Sonas, Farranlea Park.

Sheila Hyland, Orchard Road.

A special thank you to "Bulletin Fan" who generously donated many of the prizes.

CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS



SOLUTIONS TO QUIZ

- 1-The Chairperson of the Parish Pastoral Council is Rosarii Murphy.
(No one got that wrong!)
- 2-The Poor Clares rise each morning at 5.15.
- 3-Bernie Oehlers left the Senior Choir for Australia.
(Remember the song they sang for her - to the tune of "Waltzing Matilda"!)
- 4-The number of the Easter Sunday Bulletin was 118.
(Full marks to everyone on that!)
- 5-The Jennings family lived on College Road.
(In Brookfield House.)
- 6-The Diocesan Counsellor on Emigration is Br. Sean Murphy O.F.M.
- 7-Fr. Jim Byrne died in 1983.
- 8-Storm-glazing was put up on south-facing windows at a cost of nearly £6,000.
(£5,995 to be precise.)
- 9-The Irish Bishops' Pastoral of 1988 was about temperance.
- 10-The only film ever reviewed in the Bulletin was "Cry Freedom".



- 11-On 17th March, 1988 there were four Masses.
(Being a public holiday, like Christmas, there was no evening Mass.)
- 12-An urgent front-page appeal came from the St. Vincent de Paul Society.
- 13-How many hours does it take to put together a Bulletin? - Four or five hours.
(A little trick question.)
- 14-The book reviewed most recently was about St. John of the Cross
- 15-Who didn't preach here in '88? Bishop Murphy, of course!
(Many forgot that Sr. Mary Dineen preached about the Family Ministry Questionnaire, and that the Deacon Denis O'Leary was with us for two Sundays in January.)
- 16-The last May Procession was in '84.
- 17-The winners of the Table Quiz came from Bishopstown Avenue.
- 18-The Community School Mass in summer is at 9.30 a.m.
- 19-It's Archbishop Connell of Dublin.
- 20-Both College Road and Model Farm Road had no Baptisms in '87.

★ QUIZ PRIZEWINNERS ★

- 1st-EILEEN TOBIN, Parochial House. (Silver pendant)
 - 2nd-MARGARET LAIDE, Wilton Gardens. (£10)
 - 3rd-O'BRIEN FAMILY, Wilton Road. (Bud vase)
 - 4th-THOMAS NEWMAN, 2 Wood Lawn. (Car mirror)
- The following also submitted correct entries:
- Claire Bradley, 3 Bishopstown Avenue West.
- Bessie Dunne, Laburnum Lawn.
- Paula Burke, "Asturias", 10 Farranlea Grove.

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Our winners were drawn under the vigilant eye of the Dean !

★ QUIZ RUNNERS-UP ★

NEARLY!
MARY FLEMING, Kenley Crescent.
SR. VINCENT McCORMACK, St. Catherine's.
SR. AILBE, St. Catherine's.
SR. BRENDAN, St. Catherine's.
UNA NI SCANAILL, Bother Wilton.
ANN O'CALLAGHAN, Farranlea Grove.
ANNE HORGAN, Bishopscourt Road.

★ CROSSWORD RUNNERS-UP ★

NEARLY MADE IT!
PAT HORGAN, Bishopscourt Road.
HELEN O'HEA, Farranlea Park.
BETTY and TERRY LAYTON, Bishopstown Avenue.
THE POOR CLARES, College Road.
IVOR WALDRON, The Ridgeway.
K. M. KIRBY, Bishopstown Park.
KITTY CROWLEY, Bendemeer Park.
SR. M. AILBE, St. Catherine's.
SR. VINCENT McCORMACK, St. Catherine's.
MARY CREAN, Farranlea Park.
ANN MARIE MURPHY, Wilton Road.
ARTHUR O'CALLAGHAN, Farranlea Grove.
ANN O'CALLAGHAN, Farranlea Grove.
SISTER BRENDAN, St. Catherine's.

Rest In Peace

LOUIS O'SULLIVAN, "Notre Dame", Laburnum Park, died unexpectedly on Sunday night last. He was a well-known past president of Highfield Rugby Club, as well as being a popular club member.

He had an unfailingly pleasant disposition, and was faithful to the Mass, even on the day he died. His wife Irene is a well-known reader at the 11 a.m. Mass.

To her and all the family we extend sincere sympathy.



Notice Board



GROW

IS your problem anxiety, depression, phobias? Why not try GROW's programme for living?

Everybody welcome. Confidential weekly meeting on Wednesday at 8 o'clock in S.M.A. Parish Centre.



THE DEAN AND FR. COTTER go on Retreat from Sunday evening to Thursday of this week. They ask for our prayers as they undertake their annual spiritual renewal. Fr. Newman will be holding the fort in their absence.



CALLING ALL ARTISTS !

"THE BALLINEASPAIG PARISH DIRECTORY 1988-89" will be published in the autumn (See Pastoral Council report.)

We invite our artistic parishioners to submit a design for the cover. It must include the above title, but beyond that the artist may feel free. We look forward to receiving entries during the summer months.



For your information

THE basic fee for education to the priesthood at Maynooth is £3,500 per annum, exclusive of books.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society brought this information to the Pastoral Council meeting. This society has been giving financial help to students since 1895. Since then they have had 2,790 ordinations.

If you want to know more, contact the Dean or Fr. Cotter.

NOTABLE ANNIVERSARIES

Fr. Bernard and Fr. John will both celebrate the anniversary of their Ordination this week, on the 9th and 11th respectively. Ad multos Annos!

MEDIA COMMENT

'LOOK THE TIGER in the eye' was one piece of advice given to those who fought for the Ordination of women in the Anglican Church in Australia.

BBC 1 covered the subject sensitively and well in their 'EVERYMAN' programme on Sunday night. It portrayed the depth of feeling of a group who fought for the Ordination of women at last October's Anglican Synod. They lost their case by a slender margin.

Christians living in a largely atheistic world could well adopt that motto - "Look the tiger in the eye". After all, the Lord who invited us to 'Come, follow me' also assured us; 'Don't be afraid - I am with you always.'

STAYING WITH THE Anglican Communion, it is good to be able to welcome a husband and wife clergy team to Cork. The Rev. David Catterall will minister in Dunmanway, while his wife Janet will serve as a deacon, in Bandon.

THERE MUST BE a great sense of pride in Bantry after the opening of five new homes for the elderly of the area. This brings to thirty-one the number of such units built over twenty years. Well done!

BY THE WAY, if you haven't gone on a walk-about recently in the vicinity of St. Francis' Church, plan one over the June weekend. You'll be impressed at the new SHARE development.