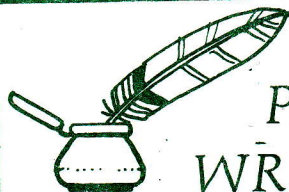




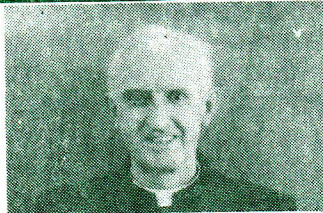
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OUR
PASTOR
WRITES.....



Parochial House,
Model Farm Road.
2nd October, 1988.

My dear friends, abroad,

I am writing to assure you of our thoughts and concern for you, wherever you may be.

Undoubtably the fact that so many young people are compelled to emigrate to earn their livelihood is the greatest single failure of this country, through successive governments and generations.

If you must go to better your skills or broaden your professional training - fine. But remember, whether you go by choice or necessity, we need people like you, and if the opportunity to return presents itself, please come home.

During the week I spoke with different young people who had just returned from working in Britain, U.S.A. and France. They all agreed that you should mix and respect those among whom you live abroad - and secondly, be supportive of other Irish workers.

One further point - write or phone home regularly. You may say you've no news to send. The ones at home, who really care, don't want news - they want you, and the next best thing is to hear from you.

Finally, if you need us, get in touch - we will help in any way we can.

God bless you all.
Very sincerely,

Denis O'Donnell P.P.



USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS FOR EMIGRANTS

United Kingdom

Irish priests are based in parishes all over London. The Director of the Irish Chaplaincy Scheme there is Fr. Bobby Gilmore, 15 St. John's Villas, Upper Holloway, London N19 3EE (Phone 01- 263 1477)

Help is also available at the various Irish Centres, including LONDON IRISH CENTRE, 52 Camden Sq. London NW1 9XB (01-485 0051) and IRISH WELFARE BUREAU, 55 Fulham Palace Rd. London W6 8AU (741 0466)

United States

Fr. Martin Keveney, St. Philip Neri 3025 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10468 (Phone 212-733-3200 or 212-584-4206)
Sr. Lucia Brady, Project Irish Outreach Catholic Charities, 1011 1st Avenue, New York, NY 10022. (Phone 212-371-1000)

COMPLETE LIST of contacts available from Br. Sean Murphy OFM, St. Francis, Liberty St., Cork. Phone (Irish code)-021-270302



News in Brief

All-Ireland Heroes

OUR LOCAL REPS on the Cork Team that drew with Meath were Barry Coffey, Wilton Gardens (his mother Mary co-ordinates the meals-on-wheels) and Paul McGrath, Curraheen Road. We wish them 'Good Luck' on the 9th October!

Flying High

CONGRATS TO our young Air Hostess, Maria O'Connell, Laburnum Park, who recently received her wings from Aer Lingus.

Late Vocation

EX PARISHIONER and grandfather Seamus McKenna lived in The Ridgeway prior to moving to Summerstown. Now he's off to study for the priesthood! We wish him well.

A Different Sort of 'Late Vocation'

JANE QUINLAN, "Altadena", Cherry Grove, has entered the world of publishing! For years she had been composing delightful stories for her grandchildren. Now she is making her creativity more widely accessible, in a children's story-book.

Called "Long-beak - a game little bird from Geela", it's on sale at local shops for £ 2.95. Congratulations to her on her new enterprise!

Tús Maith Leath na hOibre!

OVER 90% of all the Contact people in the parish came to the first meeting of the new term, an attendance which delighted the organisers. The highlight of the night was a very worthwhile talk by Dr. Cillian Twomey, who gave a lot in the way of practical advice for those who would visit elderly neighbours.



St. Francis,
pray for us

PRAYER

O Lord, make me an instrument of Your Peace.

Where there is Hatred, let me sow Love
Where there is Injury, let me sow Pardon
Where there is Doubt, let me sow Faith
Where there is Despair, let me sow Hope
Where there is Darkness, let me sow Light
Where there is Sadness, let me sow Joy.
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much

Seek to be consoled, as to console
Seek to be understood, as to understand
Seek to be loved, as to love.

For

It is in giving that we receive
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
It is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.

St. Francis of Assisi

(Francis, who died in 1226, is the patron saint of peace, of animals and of ecology. His feast is 4th Oct. Pray his prayer often!)

People are lonely because they build walls instead of bridges.

J.F. Newton



SEPTEMBER WEDDINGS

WARMEST congratulations to all those who were married recently:

TONY COLLINS, "Palm Trees" Model Form Road to JEAN PYKE, The Lough.

BRIAN NOLAN, "St. Helens" Wilton Road, to REGINA O'SULLIVAN, Old Blackrock Road.

NOREEN BUCKLEY, "Denville", Dennehy's Cross, to DAVID VARIAN, Ballyphehane.

JONATHAN HARVEY, "Rosalee" St. Francis Ave. to MARY FITZGERALD Togher.

ORLA COUGHLAN, 12 Kenley Drive, to EAMONN BYRNE, London.

KEN GLEESON, "Pinedale" Farranlea Grove to VALERIE DENNEHY, Curraheen.

GILLIAN SWEENEY, 10 BishopsCourt Ave to MICHAEL BARRY, 14 Woodlawn.



The Shadow

Worry always gives a little thing a big shadow.

MEDIA COMMENT

GOING FOR GOLD is very much in the minds of us all these days. Sadly, the price is proving high for some. The temptation to judge is great.

Before we cast the first stone, perhaps we should reflect on our own performance when the moral pressure was turned on. Did we, too, decide to GO FOR GOLD - at any price ?

NOBODY EVER PRAYS in Dallas or Dynasty! So claimed Bishop Donal Murray at the recent meeting of the National Conference of Priests of Ireland.

There was agreement at the meeting that the priesthood was becoming an increasingly complex vocation. Issues like isolation, conservatism, a post-Catholic environment, falling vocations, celibacy, 'burn-out', were all debated.

Do we value our clergy ? Do we relate to them as neighbours ? Travelling the same road as ourselves ? In need of the odd word of praise, of encouragement ?

Like us, they need human support. So. let's hear it for our priests!



6 QUOTE 9

"YOUTH IN DESPAIR is the most frightening thing I have ever heard of. The worst thing to take from young persons is their reason for hoping. Have the courage to fight to get it back for them. And don't just fight: sacrifice, too, if necessary."

- DOM HELDER CAMARA



From the Editor

A NOTE TO ALL OUR EMIGRANTS WHO WILL READ THIS SUNDAYS' BULLETIN:

This week's Bulletin is dedicated to our emigrants, but it won't be a 'once-off'. We plan a monthly 'EMIGRANTS' CORNER', in which we hope to publish letters from all sorts of places, the places you now call home.

These letters could be of great help to people thinking of following in your footsteps - but we need your cooperation to make them a reality!

I look forward to hearing from you!

Bernard Botter C.C.

1 Woodlawn, Model Farm Rd., Cork)



Thinking of Emigrating?

AN EMIGRANTS ADVICE CENTRE has been inaugurated at the C.P. Centre... read further for details...

BALLINEASPAIG PARISH

→ THINKING OF
EMIGRATING?

*We have information that may be of use to you.
Call to the C. P. Centre
any Saturday night after Mass*

or

CONTACT...



BR. SEAN MURPHY
CORK EMIGRATION
COUNSELLING SERVICE

ST. FRANCIS FRIARY · LIBERTY STREET phone 270302



AND DON'T MISS next Sunday's Bulletin, which will contain much more information for emigrants.

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Notice Board

Mass and Confession

FRIDAY NEXT is the First Friday of October. Confessions Thursday at 8. The priests of the parish will be calling to the sick and house-bound on the usual days.

Parish Directory

THERE HAS BEEN a good response by advertisers to our first-ever Parish Directory, due out this month. Professions and services are well represented, but trades are less so.

Have we any parish carpenters, plumbers, gardeners, electricians at all!!! This is your last chance! Advertiser's forms, available at the C.P. Centre, must be returned by Monday, at the latest!

Helping the Homeless

CORK SIMON COMMUNITY needs help. An Introductory Session for volunteers will be held this Wednesday night in 10 Paul St., at 8.00 P.M.

Open Daily

FOR THE TIME BEING, the C.P. CENTRE will be open from Monday to Friday from 9.30 to 12.30. What can we make available there that would be of help to you? Please tell us!

Creche

MARGO AND SUSAN urgently need toys and colouring books for our Sunday morning creche. They will be gratefully received any morning at the C.P. Centre.

Recruiting...

KARISMA needs new singers and instrumentalists. Can you help? Contact Sister Frances (541376)

A Lively Centenarian!

IT'S 100 years since Wilton House and 72 acres of land were bought for £ 100. Celebrations include a Mass of Thanksgiving on Friday at 7.30 P.M., and a Centenary Dance on Sun. 9th in their Parish Centre.