



BALLINEASPAIG PARISH BULLETIN

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PARISH LIBRARY OPENS IN STYLE

"We all need KNOWLEDGE" - words spoken by the Dean at the official opening and blessing of our library on Sunday. This special occasion marked the beginning of something new in the Parish and the end of much planning and preparation.

The seed of the idea of a library was first sown at one of those marathon Bulletin meetings in Fr. Bernard's house. On Sunday it took root. Hopefully, it will now grow and flourish.

This is your library, paid for with your money. Any people still wishing to donate may specify the type of book they wish to sponsor. However, the committee has decided not to accept gifts of books. YOUR book may be

totally suitable, but others may not. So, in order to avoid selecting some and rejecting others, we have had to make it a policy to choose the books ourselves. Whilst we appreciate your kind offers, we hope you will appreciate the need for this decision.

We hope there is something here for everybody. Enjoy your library!

Opening Hours:

Wednesday and Saturday nights
after 7.30 Mass.

Each morning 10.30 - 11.30
Monday to Friday.

Voluntary Staff may collect
their Rotas at the C.P. Centre.



THE GENE O'KEEFFE ACCIDENT FUND

WHEN GENE O'KEEFFE, from Casement Park in our parish was involved in a serious crash in 1982, he thought he would never walk again. Now, thanks to the efforts of his neighbours and friends, he can.

It all began when Carmel Naughton and Mary Cassidy saw a person being trained to use a walking brace on T.V.

They said it to Fr. Tadhg and the consensus was "why not"? On 29th May 1987, an account in the name of "THE GENE O'KEEFFE ACCIDENT FUND" was opened at the Wilton Bank of Ireland branch. That Sunday, support was sought in the Parish Bulletin. Parishioners were to prove very generous in supporting the fund.

The climax came on 15th April last, when the cheque was at last presented to Gene by those who organized the fund. All in all, it is an inspiring example of

what can be done by people when they work together!

Money was collected as follows:

23/6/87 - Crazy Ball Game	£ 244
7/7/87 - Cabaret (Barrs Club)	£1617
28/8/87 - Cabaret (FSB Club)	£ 127
August 87 - Super Draw	£2673
19/9/87 - Marathon	£ 862

Plus gifts, cheques and interest

Total: £5832.42

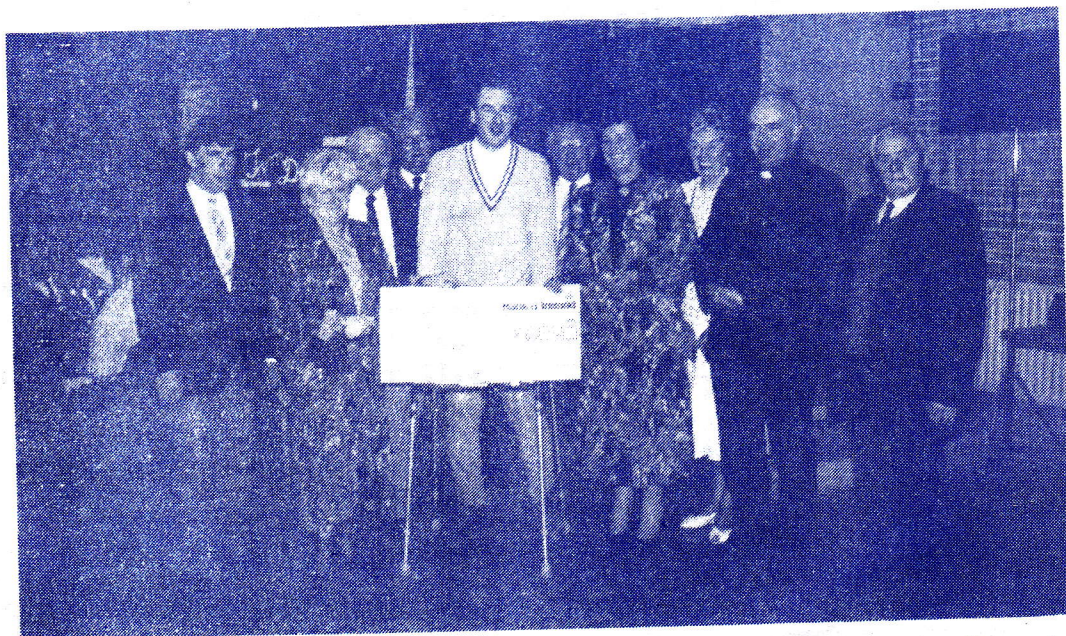
5 Roger Casement Pk.
Glasheen

Thank You all,

Organisers, Helpers, Neighbours, Priests & Parishioners, for your generous response to enable me to get equipment to become mobile again, (The Roy Douglas Walking Brace).

Mass will be offered for your intentions.

God bless you all.
Eugene O'Keefe



PRESENTATION OF CHEQUE - From left: Ritchie Carroll, Mrs. Carmel Naughton, Paddy Desmond, Bennie Collins, Gene O'Keefe, Alex Garvey, Mrs. Mary Cassidy, Mrs. O'Keefe (Gene's mother), Fr. Tadhg Ó Mathúna, Tom Sheehan.

MEDIA COMMENT

ARE WE UNIQUE? I mean, we Irish: are we unique? When it come to solving problems, National or local, we talk and talk. But far from solving our problems, we seem to compound them with all our talk.

TAKE THE rod licence controversy. All of last year's rhetoric is being re-run in all sections of the media.

The Minister is holding firm. Yes, there is intimidation. No, there is not. The State must have money to finance the fisheries: it's an attempt to take control of our lakes and rivers by the State.

Surely it's time to practice the art of compromise? IT IS MORE IMPORTANT TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM THAN TO WIN. It is infinitely more patriotic as well.

THE TRAVELLING PEOPLE have had a lot of talk expended on them

too and we are no nearer to solving that problem either. 'Something must be done nationally about this problem' said one of our local representatives helpfully!

I have a friend who maintains that a solution can be found for almost any problem. Perhaps if we really believed this, we would all try a little harder - and solve problems rather than talk our way up blind alleys.

THE ULTIMATE talk-shop at the moment is Dáil Eireann where all energies are being focused (as I write) on our on/off General Election.

Do we, or do we not, have a Country to run?

IN A WORLD where so many go to bed at night hungry it is timely that the Guinness Book of Records is to scrap their record for 'gastronomical achievement' - gluttony to you and to me!

Sadly, the reason given is 'on health grounds'.



Bible Study

WISDOM LITERATURE IN ancient times was international in character and deals with worldly wisdom and social prudence. Solomon, son of David, was traditionally the father of Israelite wisdom and a literary movement flourished in his time. The book of Proverbs, the oldest biblical book of wisdom literature,

while largely associated with Solomon, spans several centuries of thought. It contains short, pithy sayings or maxims which give advice about everyday living and practical skills.

Ecclesiasticus, written much later, 132 B.C., by a wise man of Jerusalem, resembles Proverbs in form and content and was written to highlight Hebrew wisdom at a time of dominant Greek influence. The writer's respect and love for the Law of Moses is evident. "All wisdom is from the Lord, and it is his own for ever."

Sir. 1:1



NOTICE BOARD

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A Parish Guideline

WE HAVE few enough parish rules! There is one, and it relates to the distributing of Holy Communion.

Often people approach Ministers for Communion from two directions, from the side and from the front. This causes great confusion. It happens most of all at the Sacred Heart side and halfway down the Church.

We ask people only to approach from the front. Please!

More Help!

TWO OF the Sisters at St. Catherine's, Redempta and Margaret, have agreed to help out with Baptism preparation, until a team is formed.

They will call around prior to the Baptism, and run through the ceremony with parents and godparents.

For this reason, we ask at least a week's notice for a Baptism.

Meals-On-Wheels

Bishopstown Meals-on-Wheels urgently require Cooks. If you think you could help, please phone Betty McCarthy at 542187 or give your name in to the C.P. Centre any morning.

Procession Sunday

THE Ballineaspig contingent will assemble in the Churchyard at 2.45 and proceed via College Rd. etc. Householders who own bunting or Papal or National flags should display these - to honour the Lord and draw attention to the great event in our city.

THANKS TO all those who were so kind as to give their opinions on the Bulletin survey. It really helps! The last date for return of surveys is this Sunday, 28th. P.S. And thanks to the Cork Examiner for "the little bit of publicity" in Thursday morning's paper!

NEW AREAS

AT THE MOMENT there are two areas east of Dennehy's Cross : College Road/Magazine Road and Glasheen Road. Both now have more houses than is allowed by the Constitution (i.e. over 150).

So the whole area has been re-divided into 3 :

AREA 11: "Glasheen" - Liam Lynch, Casement and Sheares Park, Lynbrook, Glenarden and Glasheen Road North.

AREA 12: "Magazine Road" - School Ave., Lima Lawn, Bendemeer Park, Linaro Avenue and Magazine Road.

AREA 13: "College Road" - St. Clares Avenue, St. Francis Avenue, Orchard Road, and College Road.

Held Over

"SIGNS OF LIFE" has been held over until next week due to lack of space.

Our Sincere Sympathy

SINCERE SYMPATHY TO Sr. Catherine Whooley, St. Catherine's, and Mrs. Lily O'Callaghan, Lima Lawn, on the death of their mother.