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ELECTION TIME IS HERE AGAIN

CAN YOU BELIEVE THE TIME HAS COME ONCE MORE TO ELECT A NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL FOR BALLINEASPAIG ?

SOME QUESTIONS ANSWERED...

Why Elections So Soon ?

ELECTIONS for the Council must be held after two years, according to its Constitution.

How Long Are Members Elected For ?

EACH COUNCIL member can be re-elected for a second term, but two terms is the limit.

Are the Council areas the same as in 1987 ?

No. The whole area east of Denny's Cross has been redrawn. There are now three constituencies there, instead of two.

The new Area, 'MAGAZINE ROAD',

includes Lima Lawn, School Avenue, Bendemeer Park and Linaro Avenue with Magazine Road itself. The other two Areas are north and south of the new constituency (See map)

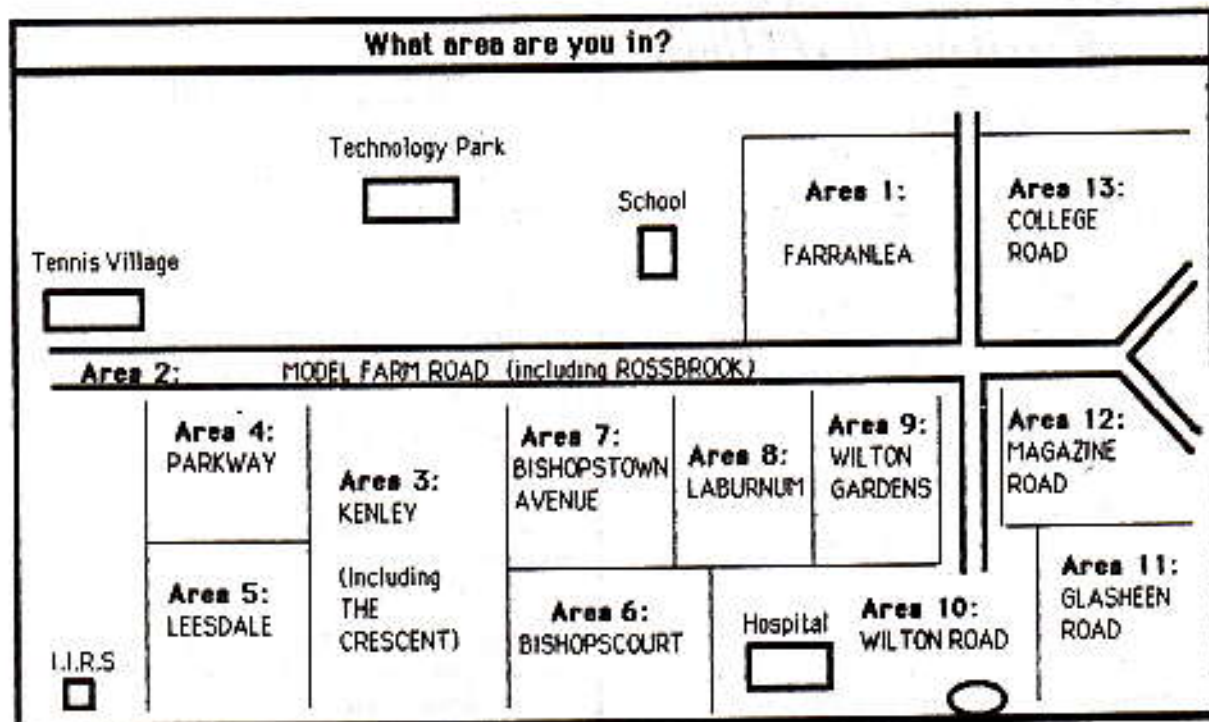
When Does The Process Begin ?

This very week! For details, see the back page of the Bulletin.

What can I do ?

Pray for guidance. And select the person most suited to serving your area. Be sure to complete both your Nomination Form (this week) and the Voting Paper (in two week's time).

What area are you in?





Baptisms

WELCOME TO all our new citizens:
CLARE SUSAN O'CONNOR, daughter of
Rodger and Grace, "Barranisky",
Wilton Avenue.

A first for Rossbrook - their
first Baptism in the Parish Church:
SARAH MARIE O'CALLAGHAN, daughter
of Denis and Martina, 3 Rossbrook
(opposite Tennis Village).
And we welcome all our new
parishioners of Rossbrook!

GARY ERIC O'REILLY, son of Eric
and Teresa, 93 Leesdale.
PHILIP HUGH ADRIAN BREDIN, son
of Charles and Maria, Bishopstown
Avenue.
EMER ELLEN FITZGERALD, daughter
of Brian and Mary, "Versanne",
Farranlea Park.
NIAMH SHEILA HAYES, daughter of
John and Kate, who have moved
to "Westlands", St. Francis Ave.
from Wilton Road.



Rest in Peace

EMILY LOWREY, Wilton Road, died
quietly and without fuss in the
loving care of her family and
grandchildren - just as she had
lived really.
GERALDINE (GYPSY) SHEEHAN, former-
ly of College Road, died at the
Powermills Home. Her family,
originally from Doneraile, were
closely connected to that of the
late Canon Sheehan, the noted
novelist.

The sudden death of JOAN O'MAHONY
was a cause of deep sadness for
her family and her Bendemeer Park
neighbours. At the Funeral Mass,
Fr. Bernard spoke of her loyalty
to faith and parish, and her
absolute devotion to her family.

CARMEL O'CALLAGHAN, Bishopstown
Avenue, a native of Dublin, read
a brilliant course in medicine
at U.C.D. She lectured and
practised her profession in Eng-
land where she married Dr. Stanley
O'Callaghan of Cork city. They
came to reside in Cork after
retirement.

KITTY O'SULLIVAN, Laburnum Park,
died quite unexpectedly last July,
having been taken ill in her
garden where she loved to spend
her spare moments.

TERESA O'CALLAGHAN of 'Melrose',
Model Farm Road, died at an
advanced age. Living so close
to the Church, she had been a
very regular participant in every
parish event over many years.
FINBARR BARRY, Greenfields, died
quite unexpectedly and at an early
age, at the Lough Rovers Club,
Bandon Road, where he helped
regularly. The whole community
in the estate felt deeply for his
wife Sheila and their two young boys.

*(Sadly, we had many deaths over
the summer months. The remainder
will be reported in next week's
Bulletin, D.V.)*

IN SYMPATHY

OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY goes to all
parishioners bereaved over the
summer months:

To Mary Keohane, Kenley Road on
the death of her father; To Jimmy
Trindle, Leesdale and Joan McCarthy
The Grove, on the death of their
mother; To Chris Coffey, Saint
Francis' Avenue, on the death of
her sister; To Billy Walsh, Wilton
Road on the death of his nephew;
To Donal O'Leary, Farranlea Park,
on his sister's death; To Seamus
Quigley, Wilton Road, on the death
of his sister.

*(If you hear of the bereavement of
any of our parishioners, please
let us know. Thank you.)*

question box



I WAS TAUGHT IN SCHOOL THAT IF I DROPPED THE HOST IT WOULD SPLIT AND BLOOD WOULD COME OUT OF IT. THIS HAS PUT ME OFF RECEIVING COMMUNION FOR YEARS.

Your teacher devised a very clever way of making sure you would never drop the host, even it was a bit gory! I'm not surprised it put you off.

Holy Communion is a real treasure - Jesus called it the "bread of life". We believe Jesus is really present, in a mysterious way. But we do not

believe we eat the physical body of Jesus; that would be grotesque. Above all, Holy Communion is given as food, to help us sinners on our pilgrim journey.

IS OUR CHURCH THE ONLY ONE IN IRELAND DEDICATED TO THE HOLY SPIRIT?

Not any more. But it was definitely the first Parish Church with that name. Since then at least three have been dedicated in Dublin - at Ballyroan, Greenhills and Silloge. Maybe other parishioners know of more.....

QUESTIONS for the "QUESTION BOX" should be dropped into the C.P. Centre; either signed or anonymous.

MEDIA COMMENT

IS THERE a Composer in the Parish? Why? Well, Johann Strauss the Younger immortalised the Blue Danube in his day. Perhaps it is time to find a musical niche for the Green Lee, flowing so close to our Parish.

Musical Scores to the Editor please!!

SERIOUSLY, it was a week in which the Media seemed very concerned with pollution.

Dessie O'Malley began with a speech on the topic to the Cork Business Breakfast Club and our Own Lovely Lee featured several times during the week.

AS CHRISTIANS we have a duty to respect the Planet and not abuse the bounteous earth that gives so much so freely. Greed and apathy are partners in an insidious

assault on Mother Earth which, if not stopped, will surely end in our planet's destruction.

POLLUTION of another sort also features prominently in the Media this week.

There was a time when sexually transmitted diseases were confined to 'ladies of easy virtue' and those who consorted with them. In our liberal society this is no longer true. Promiscuity has led to a frightening increase in AIDS which seems set to reach crisis proportions in Ireland.

Worse to come seems to be the prognosis in the drug scene in Cork.

As a group of believers, are we doing enough to encourage the Christian practice of chastity? In the event of meeting failure on someone's part, do we cast the first stone - or do we say, with Christ, 'neither do I condemn you'?

Think about it.



**coming
attractions**

Autumn 1989

THE PARISH EDUCATION COURSE this year focuses on parish life. Speakers will explore this topic in seminar form.

THE COMMITMENT:

8.00 - 9.30p.m. for eight Tuesday nights, from 24 October.

PLACES ARE LIMITED!

To reserve a place, write your name, address and phone number on a sheet of paper, and drop it in to the C.P. Centre immediately!

New Series

THOSE curious about the history of the Church should buy the UNIVERSE from Sept. 24 on; their new series tells that dramatic story, beginning on Sept. 24. Priced 35p, the UNIVERSE is on sale weekly, at the C.P. Centre on Saturday nights, and at the Legion Stall on Sundays.

BISHOPSTOWN I.C.A will reopen on Thursday 21st Sept. at 8.00 p.m.

Important Collection

OUR BISHOP asks you to be generous in supporting the collection on Sunday 24th September. It's in aid of our students for the priesthood, whose education costs the diocese thousands of pounds annually. So please, give generously, at the Church door collection, Sept. 24th.



Home Visitation

FR. DENIS will begin visiting on Wilton Road, this week.
FR. JOHN will finish Farranlea Park and move on to Farranlea Grove.
FR. BERNARD is visiting College Road and Orchard Road, and then St. Francis' and St. Clare's Ave.

**PASTORAL
COUNCIL
ELECTION
PROCESS**



THIS WEEK the Elections Agents meet in the Crypt at 8.00 p.m. on Monday night.

Then, on Tuesday and Wednesday, they will call to all homes with Nomination Forms. They will ask the number of people over 18 in your home, and give you that number of forms.

It's up to each person, then, to nominate one person to represent the Area on the Pastoral Council.

The agent will call back for the forms, or you can bring them yourself to the C.P. Centre - on or before Sunday 24th September.

After that, with the agreement of those nominated, voting papers will be made out for each area, and distributed and collected in the same way. Those elected from the thirteen areas will together form the next Pastoral Council.



ELECTION PRAYER

Father,
send your Holy Spirit,
our heavenly patron,
to help the voters
in our Pastoral Council Election.
Give them wisdom and discernment,
prudence and hope,
so that our next Council
may work for your Kingdom
with even greater zeal and courage.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord.
Amen