



BALLINEASPAIG PARISH BULLETIN

No. 177

8th October, 1989.



Library News

New Books Thanks to the generosity of the parishioners, many new books have been bought during the summer. If you would like any particular title or subject, which is not yet in stock please let the librarians know.

Sunday Opening

From Sunday, 8th October the library will be open after 10.00 and 11.00 Mass in response to popular demand.

THE LIBRARY OPENING HOURS are as follows:

Monday to Friday 10.30 to 11.30 a.m.

Wednesday 8.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Saturday 8.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Sunday After 10.00 & 11.00 Mass

Library Staff

PLEASE COLLECT your new rotas in the C.P. Centre.

AFTER THE long hot summer it is time to settle down at the fire with a good book from the parish library. We have a wide range of topics, included are; Prayer and Reflection; Jesus; Mass and the Sacraments; the Saints; Sex and Marriage; Theology; Biography; the Bible and a special section for children.

ELECTION PROCESS THIS WEEK

TODAY, Sunday 8th October, is the last day for voting in the Pastoral Council election. If you haven't voted yet, you can drop your Voting Paper in the C.P. Centre letterbox right up to 12 midnight tonight.

First thing tomorrow morning, the boxes will be delivered to the Poor Clares. They have agreed to count the votes for us.

And as soon as the result is known, the names will be posted in the Church noticeboards. Full details will be in next Sunday's Bulletin.

Rosary Month

THE MONTH OF October is specially dedicated to praying the Rosary.



Our Lady of the Rosary
pray for us

.....



BOOK REVIEW

LARGE PRINT BULLETIN

A SPECIAL LARGE PRINT EDITION OF THE BULLETIN WILL BE AVAILABLE EACH WEEK IN THE C.P.CENTRE. TO RESERVE YOUR COPY HAND IN YOUR NAME.

Talking Bulletin

DO YOU know any parishioner who is blind or partially sighted and would like a talking bulletin? A tape of each week's bulletin will be provided for those who need it. For further details please contact ph.no. 546812 after 6.00 p.m. or drop name & address in C.P.Centre.



P.R.O.S. Take Note!

WE HAVE A problem with notices for Sunday Masses. The problem is they arrive far too late. Many don't come 'till Friday or even Saturday.

Generally, we feel people don't enjoy long announcements at the end of Mass. We usually stick to one or two, giving church and parish notices priority. That's fair enough, isn't it?

I don't mind putting any notices in the Bulletin - but they must be in by Wednesday at the latest.

And that's what we ask you to do about your notices. Drop them into the C.P. Centre by the preceding Wednesday, and we'll put them in the Bulletin for you.

That way, we'll keep church announcements to a minimum. Which means, less delays for all!

"One Heart Full of Love" by Mother Teresa. Fount Publications.

THIS DECEPTIVELY simple and easily read book is a collection of some of Mother Teresa's talks, interviews and correspondence. It's edited by Jose Luis Gonzalez Balado with additional notes in an appendix giving the context of the material covered.

Mother Teresa addresses worldwide gatherings as diverse as an Ecology Conference in Australia, the Nobel Peace Prize audience and her co-workers in Liverpool. Whatever the topic, she speaks in her customary gentle manner, yet with a firm conviction based on her unshakeable faith in God's providence.

Trying to review the book is rather like trying to review Mother Teresa herself. A woman of action whose actions speak louder than words, she does not present a set of theories but a practical picture of life as she finds it in her work. Essentially, her life is centred on the Eucharist, Christ the Bread of life:

"He wanted to give us the opportunity for self-giving. Christ made this kind of total self-giving a condition for life."

While Mother Teresa speaks in a language that is easily understood, hers is the simplicity of Eternal Truth and a message of hope in an often cynical world. Recommended reading for everybody, perhaps especially anybody who may be feeling world-weary.

G. Fahy.

There are two copies of this book in the Parish Library.

Q. A.

QUESTION: Please respond more fully to the question of the Church's teaching on the Real Presence.

ANSWER:

The Church affirms that (a) Jesus Christ is really, truly and substantially present in the Eucharist.

(b) this transformation takes place through the power of God at the Consecration of Mass - and continues present in the Eucharist after Mass.

The Church has consistently resisted: (a) A purely spiritual or symbolic understanding of the Lord's presence and (b) a gross physical misunderstanding, (as in "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" John 6:52).

The Physical properties of Christ's Risen Body are a mystery to us. We accept the word of Jesus Christ for what we believe.

"Lord I believe, help my unbelief."

(See Bulletin 174)

QUESTION: I never know how much to give in my "Dues" envelope. Can you help?

ANSWER: The suggested figure is one day's pay per year. Dues are collected twice a year. Therefore, the suggested figure is half a day's pay twice yearly. You can be more generous as any excess over a certain figure per priest is levied in order to subsidise low income priests.

Alternative SLANTS

THE POPE and Bishop Runcie did not hide their differences in their joint statement. The issue of women priests may negate progress in other areas. Having admitted this they had every right to highlight the many areas we share as sister churches.

Why has ecumenism received so little mention prior to this meeting? Perhaps because it calls on us to question comfortable stances - even to change. "There is an untidiness on the road to christian unity that we escape at the risk of grinding to a halt" said Bishop Neill of Tuam lately. Will the Rome meeting give us new impetus?

THE FILM FESTIVAL opened with "Jesus of Montreal" which deals with an actor staging the passion according to St. Mark and playing the part of Jesus. It explains, among other things, the relevance of the life of Christ in our lives today.

We see the actor, off stage, losing control: when he sees women being sexually exploited while auditioning for a beer commercial, he overturns the cameras and equipment.

We see the young actor being tempted by promises of fame and fortune as they overlook a panoramic view of Montreal - "this city could be yours", says the suave executive. Many choices between materialism and idealism provoke us in this film. You may get a chance to see it sometime.

Thomas





Your Attention Please

A Reminder

IN ONE WAY our Pastoral Council election is no different from any other election. In this way - every single vote counts! INCLUDING YOURS. So be sure to vote, TODAY!

Church Collectors

A MEETING of Church Collectors will be held in the C.P. Centre on Tuesday, 17th October at 8 p.m.



October Meeting

THERE'S A change of night for our Ministers of the Eucharist, just for October. Usually they meet on Monday nights, but the new Pastoral Council meets on Monday, 16th Oct., thus bagging our night! Instead, Ministers meet on Tuesday 17th Oct. at 8.00 p.m. in the Crypt.

Jesus is Alive

YOUTH WEEKEND (16-24 years) being held at Ennismore Retreat House from 20th - 22nd October. Talk, crack, fun and games promised. Cost £12. Contact Finbarr at 276555, Monday to Friday, 12-2pm or 5-7pm. Organised by Wilton Prayer Community.

For Peace

THE ANNUAL MASS for Industrial Peace will be offered at St. Marys, Pope's Quay, on Sunday 15 October at 4.00 p.m.

The Preacher will be Rev. Dr. Padraig Corkery, Chaplain, U.C.C.



A Reminder

THE THIRD SUNDAY of October approaches - it's next weekend. We ask our ever-reliable bulletin distributors to help out as usual.

As Gaeilge

BEIDH AN AIFREANN i nGaeilge agus Bearla an Domhnach seo chugainn ar a naoi a chlog.

Immunization Clinic

THE ABOVE CLINIC at Wilton Park House will be held on the 4th Tuesday afternoon of every month from 2 to 4 p.m. Please note change of time.

Prayer for Priests

STARTING THIS YEAR at St. Peter & Paul's Church, there's a month of prayer for priests, right through October.

It is envisaged that Priests, Religious and individual lay people (young and old), rosary groups and prayer groups from all parts will make their way to St. Peter & Pauls. There will be daily exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and hourly rosaries. Please support this development.

For Flower Fans....

IRENE TWOMEY tells me that the Lough Flower & Garden Club have a Gala Flower Demonstration by Craig Bullock at Greenmount Boys School Wednesday 11th October at 8.00 p.m. in aid of Fem-Scan. Tickets at door.



Well Done!

LINA LANN have done it again. They've scored in the Tidy Districts Competition, taking the second prize. They're rightly proud for having done so well, and we congratulate them!