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I WAS doodling in my kitchen the other day, when I heard the following on the radio. I scribbled it down:-

"I see life as quite boring. So I kind of see our stuff as Love And Sex And Drink Against The Boredom Of Life.... I want to represent life's boredom."

The speaker was Martin Gore, songwriter with 'Depeche Mode'. Dealing with boredom obviously plays a big part in his life.

Next, I note these lyrics from the song that followed:-

*"Well, once is never enough,
Never is and never was uh-huh,
The here and now is all that counts,
Here and now in large amounts uh-huh."*

*Fr. John
writes.....*



This treat from Adam Ant's 'Room at the Top'. I wonder about your philosophy, Adam!

And then straight into 'Deliverance' by The Mission:-

*"In the cunning of hope, in the
weaving of dreams,
And the lady of the lake takes my
hand and leads me,
Give me, give me, give me
deliverance,
Prother, sister, give me, give me
deliverance, deliver me."*

My sentiment entirely!

A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT'S REPORT FOR SUNDAY, 1st APRIL

A FIVE-YEAR-PLAN for Bishopstown? That's what Cork Corporation announced during the week. Improved infrastructure and expanded amenities are key items in the document.

Residents and commuters alike are delighted with the plan to upgrade Model Farm Road to a 4-lane Highway. Those displaced when the houses on the south side of the road are demolished will be offered accommodation in the top three floors of the Regional Hospital. (soon to be vacated).

Fr. Denis, who will lose some of his home in the plan, commented: "I'll still have the kitchen, study and potting shed, so I'll be okay."

Environmentalists will be delighted with the news that the new Wilton green belt will extend through Wilton Gardens to Wilton Road. Afforestation will be encouraged and all the ugly signs of progress will be removed (traffic lights, telegraph poles, bus stops, kerbs, walls, etc.).

Fears that the parish church would be targetted for replacement by a smaller, more environmentally friendly structure turned out to be unfounded. "We are sensitive to the wishes of local people", a Corporation spokesperson explained, "and we'd hate to deprive the muslims of Bishopstown of their Mosque!"





Liturgical Roles

ALTAR BOYS

THE DUTIES of the Altar Boy are not very time consuming. Altar boys work on a week-to-week basis, with one week off in every six. There is a team for each Sunday Mass, consisting of at least five members, with a captain and a vice-captain who are in charge for that particular Mass.

We meet every second Saturday at 1.00 p.m. when items of interest to everybody are discussed, including altar boy duties, soccer, etc.

Every Christmas a special Christmas Party takes place, where games and quizzes are played, videos are watched and sweets are eaten. As well as the party, Easter Eggs are given out at Easter, which we really enjoy. Through the altar boys many new friends are made.

So, if there is any boy out there between the ages of 8 and 12 who would like to join, you are welcome to come to any of the meetings in the sacristy on Saturday mornings - the next meeting is on the 7th April.

Kevin Collins writes on behalf of the Altar Boys.

IN SYMPATHY

SINCERE SYMPATHY to Michael Bradley, 14 Bishopscourt Lawn, on the death of his brother, and to Claire Bradley, Bishopstown Avenue West, on the death of her uncle.

CONGRATULATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS to the Altar Boys on reaching the final of the Altar Boy Tournament last Sunday.

Double Winner

LISA GRIFFIN, Kenley Drive, scored in both the Solo Singing and Group Singing sections of the "School Stars '90 Talent Competition". Congratulations, Lisa!

Welcome TO OUR PARISH

The O'Herlihs, who have moved in to "Moyné House", Woodleigh Park, and the Buckleys, who have moved in to "Dromore", Bishopstown Park. Failte!

Thank You

COLM O'CONNOR, the newly appointed Professional Director of C.M.A.C. sent a note during the week. He thanks us for the £501 we raised in their collection and added - "It is most affirming to sense the support our work receives."

UNUSUAL QUESTION

Was anyone offered a young magnolia tree for sale? One was dug up and stolen from a garden in Kenley during the week! Can anyone out there help?

Newly Rainproof

Our Lady is now protected from the rain! Or at least her statue is. A suitable canopy was put over the Seamus Murphy statue at the Front Door during the week.

YOUTH NEWS

WHAT A lovely gesture by Daniel Day Lewis at the Oscar ceremony on Tuesday morning. In lauding Hugh O'Connor, he made sure that the young actor's career continues on the way to the top after Hugh's super performance in the harrowing "Lamb". Hugh has retired temporarily from acting in order to concentrate on the Inter Cert.

ON THE topic of exams, best of luck to all those doing the oral examinations for the Leaving Cert. in the coming weeks. I'm sure many families in the parish shall be ag spalpadh gaeilge and en parlant le français in an effort to make it slightly easier on the student! It's times like these that the youth of Dennehy's Cross parish and the surrounding parishes need all of our prayers and support as the build up to the most crucial event in their secondary school careers begins to gather pace. Good luck to all.

ALL NEIGHBOURLY friendliness was quickly forgotten in the Imperial Hotel a week or two ago, when Colaiste an Spioraid Naoimh were victorious over Mount Mercy in the Junior Chamber St. Patrick's Debate. Spioraid Naoimh's senior debating team were, however, narrowly and somewhat surprisingly defeated in the Munster Philosoph Final at U.C.C. Their conquerors were P.B.C. Cork, who since won the All-Ireland Philosoph Title. Our parish were well represented on the Spioraid Naoimh team with James Hall and Colmán O'Donnchadha, both leading lights in the school's debating society.

BEST OF LUCK to local team Wilton United F.C. who travel to Limerick today to play in the FAI Youth quarter-final. The team is, in fact, an U-17 team, so reaching that stage is quite remarkable. They have reached the semi-final in the FAI U-17 Cup.

Brian

VIDEO · REVIEW

"The Holiest Week" is a 28 min. video from the series 'That's the Spirit' by the Passionist Fathers in New York and reproduced by Veritas Communications. It explains the meaning of the three most important days of Holy Week. Holy Thursday - the gift of the Eucharist; Good Friday - the sacrifice on the Cross and Easter Sunday - the Sacrament of Baptism.

As we are approaching Easter this video would be of great benefit to all ages but perhaps would be of particular value to school groups to enable them to understand the full meaning of Easter.

Available from Veritas at £19.95.

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Jim Murphy, the Pastoral Council representative for the College Road area, is indisposed. We wish him a speedy recovery.

People in his area can buy their Social tickets from the Magazine Road representative, Gerardine O'Callaghan at "Knockaverry", Lima Lawn.

Elsewhere in the parish, the tickets are on sale (priced £5) from the local representatives.



NOTICE BOARD

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Exposition

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Poor Clare Church on Sunday April 1st from after 10.00 Mass to 5.00 p.m. Benediction.

Honouring Our King

Sunday next is Palm Sunday. The three main Masses (7.30 p.m., 11.00 and 12.15) will begin with the blessing of palms and the procession from the end of the Church. You are invited to take part in that blessing and procession. Simply assemble inside the Main Door before Mass next Sunday. Represent your area in the procession!

Candidates for Feetwashing!

On Holy Thursday last year, people representing the twelve areas of the parish had their feet washed on Holy Thursday. This year we plan to do the same.

So, if you would be willing to represent your area in this way, please contact your local Pastoral Council representative.

St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society

Monthly meeting will take place on Thursday next 5th April in the C.P. Centre at 8 p.m.

First Friday

Next Friday, 6th April, is the First Friday of the month. Calls to the sick and housebound on the usual days. Confessions on Thursday at 8 p.m.

Ministers of the Word

Reminder of meeting on Monday 2nd at 8 p.m. in the C.P. Centre.

A Reminder

Ministers of the Eucharist have their spring meeting this Monday night, April 2, at 8.00 P.M. in the Crypt. And Fr. Bernard asks those who have not yet returned their forms to do so! Thanks.

Bishopstown Community Assoc.

Council meeting on Tuesday next 3/4/90 at 8.00p.m. in Wilton Park House.

Calling All Ladies

A biblically based Day of Prayer for Women 17 + will be held in the Pastoral Centre, Pope's Quay on Saturday April 7th from 10.00 to 6.00 p.m., followed by Mass in St. Mary's Church. Booking forms may be obtained from Brid Condon, 7 Rockcliff Terrace, Blackrock Road, Cork.

Highfield Rugby Club

Highfield needs support for their vital All Ireland League play off match against Young Munsters at Musgrave Park on Saturday next at 3.30p.m. Having won this year's Munster Senior League they can now qualify for next year's major league if they win this decider. Lets follow the Field!

Bulletins to the Homes

We ask the help of our distributors with the Bulletins next week-end. Although it's only the second weekend in April, because it's Palm Sunday, we're anxious that all parishioners would get the details of the Holy Week ceremonies. Also, the Easter Dues letters and envelopes will go out with the Bulletins. Thanks for your help.