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CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK



Gloria!

On the 25th September the Church of the Holy Spirit will be open thirty years. Little did the congregation who attended the opening, think, how the parish would grow in the thirty years. It is still growing and we welcome our newest parishioners at Victoria Village. We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to be with us for the next thirty years and beyond.



Parish NEWS

Mercy Day

Our three Mercy Convents, St. Columba's, the Mercy Generalate and St. Catherine's are celebrating Mercy Day, Monday 24th Sept. We congratulate them and wish them a very happy day. Please remember them in your prayers.

Lima Lawn does it again!

For the second year in succession Lima Lawn has won 2nd prize in the tidy districts competition. Congratulations to all those responsible.



Our Own Double

Two men from the Bishopstown Club were part of the Cork Football Team which won the historic double. Both Barry Coffey and Paul McGrath were praised for their significant contribution to the win. Congratulations to them and their families.



FROM OUR

PARISH TEAM

Fr. Bernard writes

"WE WANNA kick ass" - the words of an American G.I. in the Gulf, reported on the News. The Americans want war. And cheap oil. George Bush wants popularity (and votes) as a 'macho man'. And for this, soldiers are prepared to die?

The Russians, warmongers no more, are pushing for peace. "Let's keep it within the UN Charter", they appeal. So,

are they wimps?

No doubt, Saddam Hussein is no joke. Not a guy to mess with. But has it all got out of proportion?

In the middle are hostages, our brothers and sisters, our people, even a man from this parish. We pray for his release, for them all, for their families.

And we look at ourselves. Make a list of the words that keep coming up: - aggression, greed, anger, bitterness, tension..... Familiar?

Peace in the Gulf we pray for - but peace also where we are - home, work, school, street, friends. War will never disappear while people (like us) are not at peace. And we can't change the world - only ourselves.

"Lord, make ME an instrument of your peace."

Fr. Bernard



Rest in Peace

JACK LISTON, Wilton Road, died on 29th August at the age of 92. He was mentally alert as the day he joined the Munster & Leinster Bank more than seventy years before. At the recent centenary celebrations at Christian College, Jack was the oldest Past Pupil present. We extend sincere sympathy to his wife Kathleen, family and grandchildren, all of whom miss him very much.

IRYNE (RENEE) MAGNER died recently in Dublin at the grand old age of 98. Her funeral took place from the Church of the Holy Spirit to Inriscara Cemetery. Among the chief mourners were her granddaughter Clodagh, and Bill Shannon, formerly of 'Ballavone House', Farranlea Road.

MARY THERESA COTTER died peacefully at the home of her daughters, Myra O'Neill and Dorothy Crotty, Bishops-court Hill. She had suffered much over recent years, cheerfully and patiently; her deep faith sustained her. She was buried with her late husband in Incha-geelagh Churchyard.

DAN KELLEHER, Laburnum Park was born in Millstreet, Co. Cork. He worked all his adult life as a Creamery Manager in Killarney and Tipperary. Over six years ago, after his retirement, he and his wife Betty purchased their new home at Laburnum Park. Faithfully and quietly Dan attended 10.00 Mass every morning, and then returned home to pursue his hobby as a gardener. We extend sincere sympathy to Betty, his brother, sisters and relatives at his unexpected death.

TOM SOWERSBY, 4 Merlyn Lawn, passed away peacefully in the Mercy Hospital. His dear wife May, who cared for him over so many years, was with him to the end. May's nephew, Fr. Cormac Breathnach, S.M.A., celebrated the funeral Mass. To May, and to Harry and Margaret, our sincere sympathy.



COMMENT

MEDIA COMMENT by "LUKE"

BARBARIC! Horrific! Callous!
All the adjectives have been used.
The rhetoric is wearing thin.
Yet the savage killing goes on.

How ironic that, in the same week that another Northerner is welcomed home in Belfast after captivity and torture, yet another, whose vocation happened to be that of policeman, is deprived of life.

By whose authority do these violent men and women act? I certainly have given them no such mandate. Have you? But have either of us ever told them so? Loudly and repeatedly? Until they hear us?

This week also we saw the brutal killings in South Africa. Perhaps we tried to explain the atrocities away by the colour of their skin or their social deprivation?

But really, how close are any of us to giving way to this primeval tendency to hurt and to kill? May God show mercy on us all.

IN SYMPATHY

To DERMOT and LIAM McALLEN, Leedsdale, on the death of their father.

We extend sincere sympathy to NORA and MARY FORDE, Lima Lawn, on the death of their brother-in-law.

To SEAN BURKE, BishopsCourt Lawn, on the death of his mother.

At Your Service

Sometimes people complain that they can't track down a priest - for Mass cards, forms, appointments, etc. The reason is home visitation - it takes up most of our days.

We have come up with a possible solution. The 'Priest on Duty' carries a "bleep", linked to Supercall, the paging company. Up to this we have limited its use to urgent calls. Thankfully, these are now very rare.

From now on, we invite parishioners to feel free to use the number on other occasions. Simply ring Supercall at 274888 and tell the operator the tones of your message. The operator will 'page' the Priest on Duty and he'll ring you as soon as he can. So write down that number:-

PRIEST ON DUTY : 274888.

JUBILEE

CONGRATULATIONS to Fr. John Wallace, Strawberry Hill, Cork, and Fr. Michael O'Leary, Killarney who celebrated their Golden Jubilee at the Sacred Heart Church.

We send them our best wishes.



QUESTION: Why was St. Philomena and other saints no longer called saints after so long?

ANSWER: Because recent historical research showed they never existed. And the Church couldn't see any point in encouraging people to pray to fictitious saints! Sorry to be so blunt!



Liturgy Group

There will be a meeting of the Liturgy Group on Monday night 24th at 8.00 in the C.P. Centre

Scripture Study

Fr. John Newman will lead a Scripture Study entitled 'A Path Through the Bible' in October and November. This course is for those who have little or no knowledge of the Bible, but who would like to get an overview of the whole Bible. The meetings take place in the C.P. Centre every Tuesday night, starting at 8.00 and finishing at 9.15 sharp. If interested please enrol in the C.P. Centre by Sunday 30th Sept.

Sounds Good

"Old Age", "Caring for the elderly", "attitudes to ageing" all topics many are interested in, for various reasons.

U.C.C. have an evening course on "Health and Community Aspects of Ageing", beginning in October. It should be of interest to a large number of people. Parishioners who were part of it last year found it very valuable. For further information ring the Adult Education office at U.C.C. (276471). Last date for registration is Friday 28th September.

18 - 25's Important

The Pastoral Council has discussed the issue of setting up an additional Pastoral Council concerned with the needs of the 18-25 age group. However, we need feedback. The success or failure of this project depends on your response, which is essential.

If interested please contact Colm Lebane 542126.

LARGE PRINT BULLETIN

Anyone who would like a bulletin in large print please hand in name to the C.P. Centre.

Are You Afraid to Ask?

There are two Question Boxes at the main door and the side door for your questions or suggestions. Answers will be printed in the Bulletin.

Funds Needed

C.N.D. who promote Peace and Nuclear Disarmament, are looking for extra funds. They have a Car Boot Sale in the Wilton Centre Car Park this Sunday at 3 p.m.

Are you up on Saturday at 10.30AM?
Can you spare an hour and a half once a month? A sitter is needed in the C. P. Centre to hand out Bulletins to the Area distributors. Access to a car may be necessary. Please give your name to the C.P. Centre.

Attention P.P.C. Members

The minutes of the last Pastoral Council Meeting are available in the C.P. Centre.



A REMINDER that the meeting of Alter Servers is on Saturday next 29th September, at 1.00 p.m., in the Sacristy. Remember, all 8 to 12 year olds are now welcome to join.

