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BALLINEASPAIG BULLETIN



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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

BULLETIN PRIZE FOR BALLINEASPAIG

OUR VERY OWN PARISH BULLETIN SCOOPED THE RUNNERS-UP PRIZE IN THE NATIONAL COMPETITION RUN BY THE R.P.A. (RELIGIOUS PRESS ASSOCIATION). THE C. OF I. ARCHBISHOP OF DUBLIN, DONAL CAIRD, MADE THE PRESENTATION IN JUNE.



PHOTO SHOWS (left to right): Archbishop Caird, Irene Connolly, Fr. Bernard, Pat Lemasney, Des Dunnion, Elsie Harris and Fr. Walter Porde from Wexford (who chairs the R.P.A.)



FROM OUR PARISH TEAM

Sr. Ursula writes

I AM GLAD that I have not been asked to write for the Parish Bulletin before this. After one year in Ballineaspaig, it is appropriate to say something which I want to say very strongly, sincerely and publicly; two little words "thank you". Thank you for the welcome, support and friendship which I have received since I came among you. A very

special word of thanks to the Dean, Fr. Bernard and Fr. John for their help and kindness to me since I arrived. The welcome and support of a team means a lot when one is new and everything is strange and unfamiliar.

At our first meeting, the Dean said "you can't do anything in the parish until you get to know people and they get to know you". Fr. Bernard, efficient as always, handed me the voters list and I was away; with some butterflies in my tummy I must admit. I need not have worried. The people of Leesdale, Parkway and Kenley were graciousness and

friendliness itself when I presented myself on their doorsteps. Now, twelve months on, I feel among friends.

The ladies of the Friendship Club were the first group with whom I made contact and they are also special friends. The Tuesday coffee morning is something I look forward to each week. I can't let this opportunity pass without a word of thanks to Charlie Leahy, Sacristan, and Anne O'Riordan, Secretary, for their unfailing kindness, courtesy and forbearance with my many questions.

I am glad to be with you. I

hope I can serve the parish as well as it has been served. Sr. Frances, now in London, and Sr. Brendan, who is still with us, have set a very high standard; as have all the sisters in St. Catherines over the years. Indeed it was the tradition of St. Catherines which made Pastoral Sisters a possibility in Ballineaspaig. I live in one of the other Mercy Convents in the parish, i.e., St. Columbas. Most of the sisters there nurse or have nursed in the Regional Hospital. I am sure that some of them, at least, are known to many of you.

Ursula O'Callaghan, R.S.M.

**Pray For
The Dead**



AGNES O'CONNELL was a native of Kilbrin, North Cork. She taught for many years at Turner's Cross, and lived with her married sister Nora Keary and family at Highfield Lawn. Requiem Mass was celebrated by her brothers, Mgr. Dan O'Connell, Macroom, and Fr. Michael O'Connell, P.P. Doneraile. Agnes was a generous and lovable person, who will be missed especially by the Keary family, her brothers, sisters and friends.

SEAN O'KEEFFE, Treelands, Model Farm Road, died during the week. The sadness of death is felt especially at the death of a young person. This was so true when Sean died at his parents' home during the week. His calm courage in facing the reality of his illness endeared him to all who knew him. The whole community extends sympathy and support to his young wife Lorraine, his little daughter Laura, his parents Terry and Rosaline, his sister Una, his brothers Kevin and Donal, and his many, many friends.

OUR SYMPATHY

WE OFFER our sincere sympathy to LIAM LYNCH, Woodleigh Park, on the death of his brother Michael who died in Aherla.

CONGRATULATIONS

WE CONGRATULATE Mrs. Elizabeth O'Donoghue, Sheares Park, on her 82nd birthday. For 20 years she has been associated with Bishoptown Meals-on-Wheels and still turns up regularly to do her stint at cooking. Ad multos annos.



COMMENT

MEDIA COMMENT by "LUKE"

"IT'S LIKE a dream come true", said Rev. Janet Catterall on her ordination as the first woman priest in the Republic. This historic event, in Cork's St. Finbarre's Cathedral, is surely a watershed.

Will we see the ordination of women priests in the Catholic Church? We cannot dismiss two thousand years of tradition. But we can admire the courage of our Anglican fellow-Christians who, after prayer and deliberation, can accept change.

I like to think that they were guided by the Spirit and that Christ will be with them, as with us, for all time.

A CHALLENGE to teachers and pupils in Mount Mercy College and Coláiste an Spioraid Naomh?

The pupils in Beauchamp College in Leicestershire make a commitment to accept and respect the views of all the others. Very many go on to achieve A's and B's in R.E. (religious education), some even progressing to study theology in university.

Their verdict? "Many pupils now say that R.E. is their favourite subject."

An article in the September REALITY magazine is surely essential reading for all R.E. teachers - and for students too!

CELIBACY in the priesthood once again surfaces in the media. Controversy makes good reading and good viewing but it does nothing to solve the problem. Likewise, it is so easy to be judgemental but that, too, leaves the problem unsolved.

What surely is needed is a coming together of ALL of God's family in prayer to help solve a problem that will otherwise blow up in our faces.



"There are 16 different personality types", according to Sister Jo Bagnall, a Cenacle Sister in Ballyvolane. "Which one are you?", she asks.

Find out at the Myers Briggs Workshop at La Retraite, 5th October (7.30 - 9.30 p.m.) and 6th October (10.00 - 5 p.m.). The fee is £12, says Sister Jo, and "bring your own sandwiches".

FEAST DAYS this coming week:-
1st October: St. Thérèse
4th October: St. Francis of Assisi

Bible Study



Fr. John Newman will lead a Scripture Study entitled 'A Path Through the Bible'. 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 for the nine Tuesdays of October and November. Meetings begin at 8.00 and finish at 9.15 sharp. If interested please enrol in the C.P. Centre by Sunday 30th September. First meeting this Tuesday, October 2nd.



Ministers of the Word

A meeting will be held in the C.P. Centre on Monday night 1st October at 8.10 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul

Monthly collection takes place next Sunday 7th October.

Rosary Month

THE ROSARY will be prayed twice daily in our Church for the month of October - before the 9 Mass (at 8.40) and before the 7.30p.m. Mass (at 7.10). Please feel free to join in!



REMEMBERING OUR EMIGRANTS

NEXT SUNDAY IS EMIGRANT SUNDAY, AND WE PLAN TO MARK THE OCCASION IN A SPECIAL WAY THIS YEAR.

WE PLAN A DISPLAY AT THE END OF THE CHURCH, WITH THE NAMES OF ALL OUR EMIGRANTS; AND WE ASK ALL WHO VIEW IT TO REMEMBER THEM IN PRAYER.

IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN WHO HAVE EMIGRATED, AND THAT YOU WOULD LIKE REMEMBERED, PLEASE FILL IN THE FORM BELOW, CUT IT OUT, AND BRING IT ALONG TO MASS NEXT SUNDAY. YOU WILL FIND A DISPLAY INSIDE THE MAIN DOOR - PLEASE PIN THE NAMES UP THERE.



WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

NAME

NOW LIVING IN (CITY):

First Friday

Next Friday, 5th October is the first Friday of the month. Calls to the sick and housebound on the usual days. Confessions on Thursday night at 8.00.

St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society

Monthly meeting will take place on Thursday next 4th October in the C.P. Centre at 8.00 p.m.

Liturgy Group

Copies of Minutes available in Sacristy. Please collect.

Bishopstown Community Association

Meeting will take place on Tuesday next, 2nd October at 8 p.m. in Wilton Park House.

Night Out!

A Benefit Gig (for a very worthy cause) will be held in the Back Stage Bar, Nancy Spain's on Thursday next 4th October, 9.30 'till late. Bar extension and Spot Prizes. Tickets £5. Any support welcome.

On Being Single

A 10-week exploration of the single life begins on Thursday night at 7.45 in the Cork & Ross Family Centre, Paul Street. (Phone 273213 for details).

Conversational Irish for Adults

Glór na nGael, Baile an Easpaig, are holding a Course in Conversational Irish for Adults :-

Starting Date: Wednesday 10th October, 7.45p.m. - 9.15 p.m.

Venue: SMA Community Centre, Wilton.

Duration: 20 weeks (each Wed.)

Fee: £25, payable at registration.

Registration: 8.00 - 9.00 p.m.

Wednesday 3rd October at venue.