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BALLINEASPAIG BULLETIN

Third Sunday of Easter.



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT,
DENIHYS CROSS, CO. DK



FROM OUR
**PARISH
TEAM**

Sr. Ursula writes

The butterfly told her story! On Good Friday, the caterpillar got caught up in the cloak of Simon of Cyrene as he helped Jesus to carry his cross. Somehow, she got entangled in the shroud and was buried in the tomb with Jesus. There she proceeded to spin a chrysalis as caterpillars do. In the dark tomb inside her even darker chrysalis, the caterpillar missed Easter Morning and the joy of the Resurrection. It was many weeks afterwards that she emerged as a beautiful butterfly and heard the wonderful story.

That little fable illustrates for me a very important truth. Many of us may still be in the tomb of our own personal sorrow this Easter. We may be experiencing pain, sadness, rejection, or even sin, in our own lives and the joy of the Resurrection may, for a time, have very little meaning.

What we have to believe is that that joy will come as surely as day follows night. Jesus is waiting to say to each of us: "peace be with you", as he said it to the disciples in today's Gospel. We may recognise Him "in the breaking of bread" (Mass), or in the goodness and kindness of other people (Christian community).

Ursula O'Ballaghan

A NOTE ON PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

In response to queries as to what might be listed under the heading 'Church Requisites' in the Financial Report, the Finance Committee has submitted the following:-

The biggest single items under the heading were -

- a) candles (incl. shrine votive lights) £2,175.00.
- b) Altar breads and Altar wine £1,395.50.

Other items included the following: Flowers for altar, incense and charcoal, regilding chalice, church laundry, mats for porches, Altar servers party, ordo for sacristy and C.P., tapes of Novena for sick, banners for Ambo, books of certificates for Baptism, Confirmation, Marriage, letters of freedom, replacing spot lights on Altar, fire extinguishers, locks for book stalls, repairs heaters, and many other small items - which, if listed, would take up the whole of this week's bulletin.

EASTER BRAIN TEASER

The Mayo Man is the owner of the Zebra and, as Colette Kenny stated, on account of all the trouble he caused, the man from Mayo is welcome to him!

The competition was a great success and provided a lot of "fun" for all the contestants. Our Editor, Elsie, has promised that the Bulletin will provide another Torture Column before the Summer.

The winners are Catherine Horgan/Tracy Buckley, 22 Bishops-court Road, and the prize can be collected at the C.P. Centre. Congratulations to all who entered and had fun over Easter.

The following provided the correct solution, which was:

Yellow	Blue	Red	White	Green
Spun	Mixture	Medium	Flake	Rough
Fox	Horse	Rabbits	Dog	ZEBRA
WINE	Whiskey	Milk	Stout	Coffee
Dublin	Kerry	Cork	Donegal	Mayo

Colette Kenny, 3 The Avenue, Model Farm Road.

Brian O'Riordan, 12 Bishops-court Lawn.

Gerry Duffy, Waterworks, Cork Corporation, Lee Road.

Clare Fleming, 1 Kenley Crescent.

John Waldron, Naoimh Muire, Derrymore, Wilton Road.

Gerard O'Driscoll, 12 Laurel Grove.

Jillian Corkery, 3 Hillside Drive.

Fr. Bernard Cotter, 1 Woodlawn.

Carol Healy, Ardcarraig, School Ave.

Kevin O'Riordan, 12 Bishops-court Lawn.

Pocr Clare Convent, College Road.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE!

"Good News for Parents"

The Bishop's Lenten Pastoral, with the above title, gave two phone numbers for those who might be interested in the services mentioned. The following numbers may also be of help:

ISANDS, THE Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society, can be contacted by ringing Betty Nagle at 545600.

Suicide bereaved should write to the "Friends of Suicide Bereaved", P.O. Box 162, Cork.

Marriage Counselling - ring CMAC (number above) or, locally, Sr. Damien at 542257.

Unwanted Pregnancies - the numbers to ring are CURA 277544 or the Sacred Heart Home, Blackrock 357841.

Anyone who wants a copy of the Bishop's letter can get one at the C.P. Centre.



We offer our sincere sympathy to TONY and AIDEEN McNAMARA, Bishops-court Avenue, on the recent tragic deaths of their son and grandson, John and Simon.



Q.A.

QUESTION: We were told that it is a mortal sin to kill. But we also learnt that it was a mortal sin to miss Mass on Sunday. Is the punishment for both sins the same, that is eternal damnation?

ANSWER: One of the negative things we took on board from Judaism was a pre-occupation with the Law, with rules and regulations.

No one, not the Pope, not you, not me, can quantify either the love or the mercy of God.

Christ summed it up for us when he said "You must love the Lord your God" and "You must love your neighbour as yourself."

If we respond to the love of God, if we pray, if we trust in a merciful God, then we need not worry unduly about exclusion from His Kingdom.

VIDEO REVIEW

LOVE FROM MEDJUGORJE is a 40 minute video on the message of Medjugorje. Many people from different backgrounds speak of their experiences and of how they have been touched spiritually, having visited Medjugorje. The video does not dwell on the practical aspects of visiting Medjugorje, ie., accommodation, etc., rather it emphasises the spiritual awareness of those interviewed, who lives will 'never be the same again'.

LETTERS

Bishopstown Village,
Cork

Dear Editor,

The enclosed cutting gives us the reason why you want to change the name of our Parish - the name put on it by the late Bishop Lucey almost forty years ago.

What an outrageous suggestion Dennehys Cross Parish. How like the name of the cross roads pattern - dance in years gone by.

We have lived and learned to spell it so let it stand please. As already stated the name is on the bus passing through Patrick Street every twenty minutes.

Regards,

Yours faithfully,
Hannah Hurley

Enclosed with the above letter was the following:

Two policemen on Milwaukee's South Side found a body one night on Kinnickinnic Avenue.

"How do you spell Kinnickinnic?" asked one of the officers as he began to fill out the report. "K-I-N," responded the other, slowly. "K-I-N ... Oh, heck, let's drag him around the corner to Mitchell Street."

SWIMMING COURSE

Ladies only 6 week course starts **TUESDAY, 16th APRIL** at the Spastic Clinic Pool, Ballintemple. Time 11.30a.m. to 12.30p.m.

Further information telephone Deirdre at 870712.



NOTICE BOARD

A Reminder

Next weekend Bulletins will be distributed to every home in the Parish.

Aifreann le Gaeilge

Léifear Aifreann as Gaeilge an Domhnach seo chugainn ar a naoi a chlog. Tagaigí agus bígf páirteach linn.

Ministers of the Eucharist

Reminder of meeting on Monday, 15th April, at 8 p.m. in the Crypt, which will be addressed by Fr. Stan Mellett.

Holy Hour

St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society are holding a Holy Hour in the Poor Clare Chapel, College Road, on Sunday, 21st - Vocations Sunday, at 4.15 p.m.

Looking for Pyxes

Once upon a time we had six or seven pyxes in the Sacristy. Now we have only three. Perhaps Ministers of the Eucharist could help trace the remainder? Please tell any Parish Team member.

(P.S. To explain: A pyx is a small container, made of a precious metal, in which a Minister brings Holy Communion to the sick.)

All over Bishopstown

People who live in the greater Bishopstown area can attend a local 'Irish Mass' three Sundays of each month:-

In Wilton on the First Sunday

In Curraheen on the Second Sunday

In Dennehy's Cross on the Third.

Each 'Aifreann Gaeilge' is celebrated at 9.00 a.m.

Antenatal Classes

Advice in Antenatal and Postnatal Care available from Carmel Buckley, SRN RM PET (341257) and Ann O'Flynn-Burton, SRN RM PET.

Ladder Disappears Mysteriously

The Farranlea residents want to know who has the communal ladder? If you have it, please return it to Tim Spillane.



Bishopstown Community Games

The 1991 season for Bishopstown Community Games will shortly be starting. Already team managers for athletics, camogie, gymnastics, girls' gaelic football and soccer have been found. We are anxious to procure managers for various other sports, so if you are willing to help us, please contact Pat Murray, "St. Francis", Rossa Avenue, who will be delighted to hear from you.

Our games are open to all boys and girls in Ballineaspaig parish. Watch out for notices of the various events in schools, newspapers and church newsletters. Finally, our annual house to house collection will take place over the next few weeks and all funds raised will be used to finance the various activities which we run for the young people of Bishopstown. We look forward to your continued support and generosity without which our games could not take place.