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DROMINEYS CROSS, CORK

Pentecost

It is the Spirit of God
who lifts up our hearts;
takes the weak by the hand;
makes perfect those progressing
He who forms in us
the image of God,
so that we become
truly persons.

- St. Basil

(Courtesy of Poor Clares)



FROM OUR
**PARISH
TEAM**
The Dean writes

THE CHURCH'S ROLE- CARE AND SERVICE

In recent issues of the Parish Bulletin the question of authority in the Church was raised. Different understandings were proffered - hierarchical/democratic. Actually neither description represents what the Church is. It is true that the Church contains elements both hierarchical and democratic - but neither adequately portrays the beautiful vision of what the Church might be.

Hierarchical denotes authority in a religious context, and is reflected in the Spirit-inspired teaching of the Pope and Bishops in matters of Faith and morals - not indeed that all Spirit inspired insights are reserved to these.

Democracy is a civil ("lay") word, yet is reflected in different areas of Church life and organization, e.g., the election of a Pope, ecumenical councils, the election of an Abbess, Pastoral Council, etc.

Neither word really illustrates how the Lord wished authority to be exercised among his followers. It's a totally different scene from any other model the world has ever known - care and service from those who hold authority - not the other way round. Jesus himself stressed this very point on different occasions:
"Whoever wants to be first among you must be the servant (slave!)

of all." - the washing of feet on Holy Thursday night - "If I the Lord have washed your feet, you should wash each other's feet. I have given you an example, so that you may copy what I have done to you."

St. Paul emphasises the unique and positive role of every member when he writes of the Mystical Body - any idea of domination is totally out of context. Furthermore, the smallest member can and should provide valuable contributions for the good of the whole, and these contributions are expected to be taken on board by those privileged to serve in any position of authority.

The fact that human frailty has blurred this picture at different times and among different people merely illustrates the fact that we are all less than perfect.

"To God, the only God, who serves us through Jesus Christ, be glory, authority, and power, now and for ever. Amen."

Seán D'Donna P.P.

PERU COLLECTION

Correction

The annual collection in aid of the Diocesan Mission to Peru will be taken up at the church doors at all Masses next weekend, 25th/26th, - not this weekend, as printed in last week's Bulletin.

This collection deserves your generous support. Every penny sent out there by Cork people is put to good use, feeding the hungry and fighting disease. We know we can count on you!



We welcome into our Christian community:

DENIS PATRICK HEGARTY, 23 Laburnum Lawn, son of Patrick and Catherine.

EVA MARIE HARVEY, "Mar-eesa", Magazine Road, daughter of Daniel and Mary.

MICHAEL PATRICK O'KEEFFE, 14 Kenley Road, son of Michael and Paula.

CHRISTINE LOUISE O'HALLORAN, "Glenesk", Farranlea Park, daughter of Finbarr and Linda.

NIALL STEPHEN LYNCH, 23 Kenley Drive, son of Michael and Marian.

CIAN ALOYSIOUS MURPHY, "Parkgate", The Ridgeway, son of Con and Joan.

KIERAN JOHN O'CALLAGHAN, 14 Rossbrook, son of Michael and Patricia.

PATRICK MICHAEL POWER, 99 Leesdale, son of Patrick and Noreen.



We extend sincere sympathy to
TERENCE MYLES, Liam Lynch Park,
on the death of his sister
Mrs. Jane Kendellen, in Dublin.
To DEIRDRE O'BRIEN, 75 Leesdale,
on the death of her father.
To ROSE KEARNEY, 3 Leesdale, on
the death of her uncle.
To ANNE O'FARRELL, Kenley Avenue,
on the death of her mother, Ellen,
in Macroom.

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION

Sunday, 26th May, is the day of Cork's Eucharistic Procession. The Bishopstown contingent will gather in our churchyard at 2.45 p.m. on that day.

Last year we walked a new route, and this year it will be the same: via Victoria Cross, Western Road, and the Mardyke. We're hiring a van with amplifiers so that all can join in the prayers and the singing.

Be sure to walk with your parish on that day. (For those homes that have them, it is a day to put out the flags and bunting - a day of celebration!).

Thank You!

As the Easter Season draws to a close this Sunday, the priests of the parish warmly thank our parishioners for their generosity in the Easter Dues.

Engaged:

Congratulations to BRIAN CORCORAN, 74 Leesdale, on his recent engagement to Noelle Hayes, Uam Var Drive.

Irish in the Parish

As a follow up to last March's successful meeting which was instigated by Fr. Bernard, a further meeting is arranged for Monday, 27th May, in the Crypt at 8 p.m. to discuss the use of Irish in the parish generally, and with particular focus on the present Aifreann Gaelach. Tá fáilte roimh gach éinne. Bí ann gan teip.



Summer Recreation Scheme

The annual Recreation Scheme will be held at Murphy's Farm on July 1st-5th, and 8th-12th. Registration at Church of the Real Presence after 10, 11, and 12 Masses this Sunday, 19th. Parents to register children.

Pastoral Council

Reminder of meeting on Monday night, 20th May. Remember to meet at 7.50 p.m. at the side gate.

Second Chance Education

If you are 21 years of age or older, unemployed for 15 months or longer, keen to improve your qualifications and training, this course may be of interest to you. It will begin next September at Scoil Stiofáin Naofa and will be fulltime and will prepare students for examination or qualification suited to their interests. It is free of charge and books, etc., will be supplied free. A meeting will be held at the school on Tuesday, 21st, at 8 p.m., entrance is from Connolly Park.

Flag Day

Have you got an hour to spare on Thursday, 23rd May? If so, St. Catherine's Committee for Travelling Children would appreciate your help for their collections in the city centre, Wilton and Bishopstown. Please contact Betty Layton at 544046, or Ann Horgan at 543987.

Proceeds go towards taking the children on holiday to Sherkin Island.

Please Note

Details of the readings for the week ahead are available from the box at the church doors. These also include the readings of the following Sunday.

St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society
We invite you to our annual Mass, on Wednesday, 22nd May, at 8 p.m. in the Crypt.

Colebrook Montessori School

On the Glasheen Road, the school is having an Open Day on Sunday, 16th June from 2 to 5 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Morning and afternoon classes are held, as well as daycare facilities. There will be a Summer Camp for 3 to 10 year olds. Information at 343631.

Gramophone Circle

The Baile an Easpaig Gramophone Circle monthly recital will take place on Wednesday next, 22nd May, at 3.00 p.m. in the Crypt. Finbar Murphy will present his choice of music. Everybody welcome.

Alzheimer Society of Ireland

The Cork Branch will hold a public meeting in the Metropole Hotel on Monday, 20th May, at 8 p.m. Theme: Caring for the Carers. Speakers: Winifred Blyth, National Co-ordinator of Respite Care A.S.I. Michael Neville, National Development Officer. All are welcome.

Kidney Awareness Week

Monday, 20th to Sunday, 26th May. Donor Cards available from your local chemists.

'Give Life - Be a Donor'

Senior Citizens

There will be a Summer Outing to Courtmacsherry on Thursday, 6th June. Bus leaving from church gate, Model Farm Road, at 1.30p.m. Fare and evening meal £10. Booking at C.P. Centre on Monday 20th and 27th May at 3 p.m.