

Sunday, June 30, 1991

BALLINEASPAIG BULLETIN

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.





FROM OUR

PARISH

Fr Finharr writes

"WELCOME" is the most common word I have heard in my short time in Ballineaspaig - my fourth appointment since I was ordained in 1980. They are all so different in language, culture and location, yet the words "Welcome", "Failte", "Bienvenido" unite them.

To welcome is a very important Christian witness. Since my arrival here I have been welcomed and given a sense of belonging, which I consider a wonderful privilege. So many people in the world never experience "welcome" and "belonging".

My first appointment after ordination was to one of our adopted parishes in Trujillo, Peru, called St. Patricks. I worked in an area called St. Toribio. Like Patrick in Ireland, Toribio was instrumental in announcing the gospel message to most of Peru. Needless to say, I took these two great missionaries as my patrons.

In 1984 I returned to work as chaplain to Carrigaline Community School. The challenge of trying to make the gospel message relevant to pupils, staff and parents was a great experience.

The desire to return to Peru was always very strong. In 1988 I returned and worked in a different parish. My first week there over 2,000 families arrived from the mountains to take up residence, hoping to give their children a better future - I felt a great sense of mission to be part of that future.

Recently I had to return home because of ill health. The past few months I have spent re-adjusting and trying to cope with the disappointment of not being able to return to Peru in the foreseeable future. A priest friend of mine, understanding my dissapointment, said, "You're a servant of the Lord". I took this to mean that it is the Lord who decides for me. So here I am in Ballineaspaiq.

It's a privilege to be a priest. It's a privilege to have worked in Carrigaline and Peru. I pray to recognize the privilege I now share by coming to live and work amongst you.

A typical parting salute from a Peruvian is "Vaya con Dios" -"Go with God". This is my prayer for all of you during the Summer holidays, that wherever you go, God will be with you.

In Tinbar Crowley bl.

COMMENT

ALTERNATIVE SLANTS by "THOMAS"

OUR EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM is another reason why the poor are trapped in a vicious disadvantaged cycle from which they can never break out. The conference of major religious superiors have highlighted this fact in a recent statement.

Most pre-school facilities in Ireland are fee paying, which means that not everybody starts national school at the same level.

Schools, including catholic schools, can have methods of preserving the "right sort of clientele". Catchment area can be cited as an excuse for excluding "an undesirable element".

The grind industry favours the people who can pay for extra tuition in exam years.

The prohibitive cost of third level fees, together with the failure of grants to keep pace with inflation, have made this area a "no go" one for the poor.

The catholic church in nineteenth century Ireland identified and dealt with a vital inadequacy in providing education to a majority of the population who were not receiving any. The church is still active in education, but may have become caught in perpetrating some systems that divide society with respect to We must question education. whether we can better deal with the inadequacy of division in educative opportunity as our mission for the late twentieth century.

Pope John Paul has written an encyclical lately called Redemptoris Missio. It's to do with the missions. Do you think that this has nothing to do with you? No such luck. A writer in the Furrow recently "Mission is about outreach, savs: about new attitudes, about transformation in the local churches." Not satisfied with having given us "ministry", it would now appear that we're all becoming missioners. No doubt we'll be hearing more about the

THOMAS



OUR EDITOR thought it would be a nice idea to track down all our parishioners who made their Confirmation. So, having contacted 21 schools to discover who they were, we now have pleasure in offering our congratulations to:

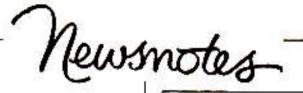
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Evening Mass

The 7.30 weekly evening Mass will be discontinued as from Monday. 8th July (except First Friday, 2nd Agust). Saturday evening Vigil Mass will continue.

Frist Friday

Next Friday, 5th July is the First Friday of the month. The usual calls will be made to the sick and housebound.

Cursa Gaeilge Mount Mercy One week Irish Course for Boys and Girls, 11 to 15 years, July 8-12th, 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m., 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Catering for V and VI class Primary and First/Second/Third Year Post Primary. Tuition based on Junior Cert. Course quidelines. Seisiuin teagaisc, Dramaiocht, Ceili. Apply: Mount Mercy College

Tel: 542685.

Adult Religious Education 1991-92 A course in religious studies for adults will begin in Bishopstown Community School next September. It aims to help participents get a deeper understanding of their faith and give them confidence in sharing it. The course will be held on Monday nights from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Further details can be had in the C.P. Centre or by contacting Fr. John - 541572.

Catholic Papers

During the months of July and August the Legion of Mary stall will be open on Saturday evenings after 7.30 p.m. Mass for the sale of Catholic papers.

41st CORK CITY SPORTS (B. L. E.)

MARDYKE, CORK OY KIND PERMISSION OF U.C.C.) FRIDAY, 5th IULY, 1991 AT ALE PAC

ADMISSION.

£3.00

Children Free

Total Proceeds to Cork & Ross Mission to Peru

Support Peru Mission

All the proceeds from Cork City Sports will go to Peru Mission. Date: Friday, 5th July at 6.15 pm.

Venue: Mardyke.

Admission: E3.00. O.A.P. £1, Children free.

Tickets available at C.P. Centre.

St. Vincent de Paul

Monthly collection will be held next Sunday, 7th July

Parish Library

The library will be closed during July and August. We thank all who have helped during the year and hope they may be available again in September.

We would be grateful if any members who have forgotten to return books might do so now.

Sunday Creche

The creche will be finishing for the Summer on Sunday, 30th June and will be reopening again in September.

Next week's bulletin will be the last until the Autumn.