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CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
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# BALLINEASPAIG BULLETIN

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

## Parish Council



### ELECTING A NEW PASTORAL COUNCIL

THE TIME has come round again to elect a new Pastoral Council. During the next month, nominations of candidates and the election will take place.

It is important that the members of the Pastoral Council are elected rather than selected. The Bishop, or Priests, or the existing Pastoral Council could select new members. But it is much better if the parishioners themselves put forward good people to represent their desires and

wishes for the church. This way the church becomes a church of the people and for the people.

The election process is carried out as follows:

- all parishioners are invited to nominate a person over 18 years from their area.
- the nominees are asked if they are willing to go for election.
- every person over 18 is entitled to vote. Voting papers will be delivered to each home.
- you choose a candidate - vote for one person.
- all votes are counted, the successful candidates notified and the results published.

In the next weeks, think of someone to represent your area. Nominate by dropping the name and address into the C.P. Centre or by giving it to a Pastoral Council representative.



### FROM OUR **PARISH TEAM**

*Sr. Ursula writes*

SO IT'S election time again! I find it hard to believe that when the last Pastoral Council was elected I wasn't even in the Parish. I joined the Council later and have been very impressed by the commitment, dedication and hard work, but above all, by their great sense of fun. While

I will miss the members of the present Council, I am looking forward to being part of a new one from the beginning. The quality of any elected group depends on the quality and interest of those who elect them. It's over to you, the parishioners, to ensure that the best person in your area is nominated and elected.

The last two Councils have been excellent and I have every confidence that the next one elected by Ballineaspig will be equally as good.

*Ursula O'Malley M.B.17.*

♦ In ♦  
**SYMPATHY**

We extend sincere sympathy to RITA HIGGINS, Laburnum Lawn, on the death of her sister Olive, and brother Patrick.

To BETTY BARRY-MURPHY, Laburnum Lawn, and SHEILA WALSH, Laburnum Lawn, on the death of their sister Mary.

To IRENE O'SULLIVAN, Laburnum Park, on the death of her brother, Dr. Henry O'Shea.

**Q.A.**

QUESTION: How can I explain your double standards? You refused to publish a letter in a recent bulletin because the writer preferred to remain anonymous.

Yet, you give profuse thanks for a gift given anonymously?

ANSWER: It is normal practice in publications of all kinds not to print unsigned letters. So many of them are simply abusive. We are, of course, always happy to omit the name of the writer, if requested.

It is also common practice for donors to ask to remain anonymous. But courtesy demands a 'thank you'. This we like to do.

Let's do something beautiful for God.  
*Mother Teresa*

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Tuesday, 24th September, is Mercy Day. We congratulate the three communities of Mercy Sisters in our Parish, at St. Catherine's, St. Columba's and the Mercy Generalate. We wish them a very happy day and remember them in our prayers.



**ARE YOU ENVIOUS BECAUSE  
I AM GENEROUS**  
MT 20.15

*Rest in Peace*

MARY BUCKLEY, St. Therese, Wilton Road, died last July. A quiet, sincere lady, she had been ill for a considerable time.

Mary was a member of a family with a strong tradition in the teaching profession, and she herself taught countless pupils over the years. We extend sincere sympathy to her sisters Rita and Carrie, and other relatives.

MARY BARRY, 20 Roger Casement Park, died unexpectedly after a brief illness. She is remembered as a quiet and gentle lady who will be missed from the Park. We offer our sincere sympathy to her husband Tony, son Paudie, and her family.



# COMMENT

MEDIA COMMENT by "LUKE"

ALCOHOL ABUSE is in the news again. Like other controversial subjects, too much talk can lead to over-kill. Still, the problem needs to be addressed.

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People are free to drink alcohol or not. Breweries and distilleries need to sell their products. Publicans and others must sell alcohol to remain in business. All are helped through the medium of advertising.

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Is there an obligation on all of these categories to ensure that there is no abuse of the product? Dr. Mick Loftus certainly believes that the 'vested interests' have an obligation. He invites some of them to attend inquests and to talk and listen to those who

are crushed and broken-hearted by tragedy.

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On radio it was claimed that, while the letter of the law was being complied with regarding advertising, in fact the subliminal message was to encourage the young to drink.

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And what about the Benetton poster? The Irish Advertising Authority recommended that it should not be shown. Yet Benetton went ahead despite the fact that it was withdrawn in the U.K. Benetton's reasoning? Let the Irish people decide if they are shocked or not by the poster! Have they no standards of their own?

Nuala Fennell deserves the last word: "It is upsetting that such a private act (child-birth) is exploited .... for commercial gain."

But that is exactly what it's all about, isn't it?



# BAPTISM

WE WELCOME into our Christian community:  
STEVEN MICHAEL HENNESSY, baptised on 17th August.  
AMY MARY COLLINS, baptised on 23rd August.  
JOSEPH ANTHONY KELLY, baptised on 24th August.  
CIARAN EIMHIN MCCARTHY, baptised on 29th August.  
CHARLES MAURICE LEAHY, baptised on 31st August.  
CHLOE JANE MOHALLY, baptised on 31st August.





### CURA

Would you like to help? Have you two hours a week to spare? CURA Cork is now recruiting new volunteers for their service at 34 Paul Street. CURA is a confidential telephone and counselling service for any woman who is unhappily pregnant. If you are interested, please phone 277544, or call to the centre at 34 Paul Street.

### St. Vincent de Paul Society

### Invitation

There was an enthusiastic response to our last appeal for St. Vincent de Paul members.

Are there more committed Christians out there waiting for the invitation to join a Conference where the need is great? If so, leave your name, address and/or telephone number at the C.P. Centre and you will be contacted.

The fasts of the rich  
are the  
feasts of the poor

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### Reminder



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Ministers of the Eucharist meeting this Tuesday, 24th, in the Crypt at 8 p.m.

### Liturgy Group

There will be a meeting of the Liturgy Group on Monday, 23rd, at 8.10 p.m. in the C.P. Centre.

## Invitation

### Supper Dance

In aid of CALCUTTA FUND will be held in Jurys Hotel on 24th September, 8.00 - 1.00, music by Ceoltoiri Cois Laoi. Tickets available at the C.P. Centre, £5 each.

### Dancing for Fun

at Sacred Heart Hall every Tuesday morning, 11.00 - 12.15.

Exercises: Square dancing and Barn dancing for adults. If interested do come along.



### Cards Afternoon

A proposal has been made to have an afternoon of Cards on Tuesdays in the C.P. Centre. The question is - should it be Bridge, 110 or 45?

Suggestions are invited and may be dropped in to the C.P. Centre letterbox.