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FROM OUR
PARISH TEAM

Fr. Finbarr writes

DURING THE past week, much of Gay Byrne's radio show dealt with the emigration of our young people. The pros and cons of emigration were discussed at length.

The Bishops have designated this weekend a special one of prayer for all our people who have left our shores through necessity or choice.

Those of us who have lived abroad will appreciate what a letter or phone call from home means. I recall the excitement they caused within me. When I was lonesome for home they meant I was not forgotten; when I felt on top of the world they confirmed that my decision was correct.

Many of our homes have been touched by emigration. Let those who have gone abroad know that they are not forgotten. Remind them that they are always in our prayers and thoughts. And, no matter how far away from us they are, a prayer, letter, phone call, brings us into immediate contact with them.

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ALTERNATIVE SLANTS by "RUTH"

THERE'S NO doubt about it, but the people in the press have got great mileage out of the preview of the New Catechism that was issued recently. One would be forgiven for thinking that it's all about speculators, tax-dodgers, drunken drivers and horoscope readers.

Maybe I'm a cynic, but I don't see what all the fuss is about. Aren't all those categories of people covered in the ten commandments already?

Most of us don't steal from cars, houses or banks, but there are a lot of people who believe that the tax-official and the social-welfare official are there to be outwitted - 7th commandment!

Being a speculator is the most blatant form of money-worship - (1st commandment) - but let's face it most of us don't have the funds for that sort of thing, and most of us would say, "If only I had"!

Drunken drivers can be killers. They adversely affect the lives of those they maim, and of their families. That all comes under the umbrella of the 5th commandment.

Now, the horoscopes. Come on now, who really believes them? I suppose you'd be letting it rule your life a bit if you decided to wear your "lucky colour", or tick your "lucky number" in the Lotto. Did somebody mention the Lotto? Ah, now, hold on a minute....

As you may like to send this week's bulletin to a friend or relative abroad we publish hereunder a list of Chaplains, together with addresses and telephone numbers which may be of interest to people living in the respective areas.

Britain

The Irish Chaplaincy in Britain, St. Mellitus Church, Tollington Park, London N43AG. Tel. 071-2631477. Director Rev. J. Gilmore (SSC)
Special Outreach telephone 071-2817511 (9-5p.m. Monday to Friday)

Copenhagen

Rev. Patrick Shiels (CSSR), Skt. Annae Kirke, 2 Hans Bogbinders Alle, 23002300 Copenhagen S. Tel 16-451-582102

Brussels

Rev Edmund Dougan, 23/25 Ave des Anciens Combattants, 1950 Kraainem, Belgium. Tel. 16-322-7201970

The Hague

Rev. C. Talar, Parish of our Saviour, Reychocklaan 126, 2597ES, Tel. 116-3170-280816

Lisbon

Rev. Tom Clery (OP), Travessa do Corpo Santo, 1200 Lisbon, Portugal
Parish for English-speaking Catholics.
Tel. 16-351-1-323208-32

Luxembourg

Rev. Pat O'Connor (CSSR), European Parish, 34 Rue des Capucins, Luxembourg BP175. Tel. 16-352-470039

Munich

Rev Tom Healy, St. Kilian's, Irische Katholische Mission, Senefelder Strasse 14, 8000 Munchen 2, Germany. Tel 16-49-89-557422

Rome

Very Rev. Thomas A. Hunt (OSA) St. Patrick's Church, Via Piemonte 60, 00187 Rome. Tel 16-396-365716

Paris

Rev. Paul Francis Spencer and Rev. Anthony Behan (CP) St. Joseph's Church, 50 Avenue Hoche, 75008 Paris. Tel 16-331-42272856

Paris 'Eurodisney'

Fr James Grace, Chaplain to the English speaking community.

Boston

Rev. Tim O'Sullivan (Cork) St. Ambrose
246 Adams St., Dorchester, Mass. 0211
New York

Rev. Michael Walshe, St. Brendan's J
Tel 161-212-733-3200/ 212-798-5477

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Rest in Peace

PEG QUIRKE, Roger Casement Park, died recently in St. Finbarr's Hospital after recent years of poor health. Peg is remembered as a kindly neighbour, attentive mother, and person of deep faith. Widowed at a young age, she reared her family with courage and grace. Our sincere sympathy to Ann, Pat, Mary, Clare, Billy, and her family.

ANN DUGGAN, Sheares Park, died unexpectedly last week. Her gentle and kindly presence endeared her to the people for whom she worked and everyone she met. She was a big-hearted person who went without herself for the benefit of others. Our sincere sympathy to her husband, Timmy, children Maria, Judy and William, and family.

MARGARET (PEGGY) LAIDE, Wilton Gardens, died during the week in Marymount Hospice after a long painful struggle with failing health. Peggy showed great courage and faith in the midst of her sufferings. She ran the good fight to the end. She was blessed with a sharp mind and down-to-earth common sense. She used her gifts to praise the good in other people. Our sympathy to her children, Sr. Fionula, Deirdre, Margo, Dermot, John and all her family.

IN SYMPATHY

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A THOUGHT

I RECENTLY befriended an atheist, who hasn't been living here very long. We talk about many things; the conversation turns to religion now and again.

"Is it true that when you go to Confession, the priest tells you to say 100 Our Fathers?" she asked, one evening, out of the blue.

"Who's been feeding her this codswallop?" I thought, as I quickly tried to organise my response.

"Confession isn't my favourite sacrament, probably because I haven't shaken off my childhood association of it with shame and penance" I began. Then I explained to her that it's really about reflecting on my life at present and how I deal with other people, my family, my neighbours, my workmates, people I speak to on the phone... Do I treat each one as a special person? Am I honest and fair, do I mind my own business, am I receptive to a plea for help?

I was beginning to sound like a preacher! "Confession is good for the soul, as the old saying goes. Once you confess to yourself, you are on the road to reconciliation. The priest is there as Christ's representative, and to lend an ear if you need a bit of help in deciding how to become a better person."

She nodded, and smiled benignly at me. I don't know why, but I had the image of a computer accepting and storing information. The "hundred Our Fathers" was deleted from her memory bank.

A Parishioner



We welcome into our Parish community the following who were baptised recently:

LAURA JENNIFER KAREN RYAN
ALICE NORIANNE KEOGH



Ministers of the Word

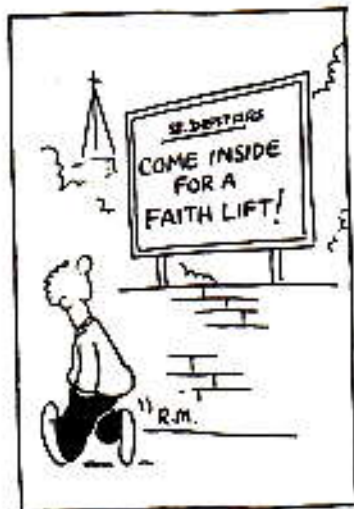
Meeting on Tuesday, 6th October, in the Crypt at 8.10 p.m. Please note change of night and venue.

Rosary Month

During October, the Rosary will be recited twice daily in the church at 8.30 a.m. and 7.10 p.m.

Liturgy Group

Minutes of last meeting now available in the Sacristy.



Bishopstown G.A.A.

Congratulations to our Under 21 Footballers who captured the county title by defeating Bantry Blues - well done to Neville Fahy and his players!

Best wishes to the Minor Footballers who contest the City Championship Final on this Sunday, 3rd, at 12.15 in Ballinlough versus St. Michaels.

Well done also to our Under 14 Hurlers who won the City Title and who now play in the County Final on Saturday 10th in Lisgoold at 3 p.m. versus Castlelyons.

Ireland for Somalia Fund. The total proceeds of Gala Disco 2000 to be held in the club on Saturday night 10th October, will be donated to the most worthy cause. Please support this enjoyable occasion and ensure that you help the starving people of Somalia.

Celebration

School Centenary

St. Maries of the Isle Primary School will be celebrating their school's centenary on 11th October. There will be an Open Day from 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. beginning with Mass at 3 p.m. in the School Hall.

Fine Gael

Model Farm Road branch will hold monthly meeting on Monday, 5th, at 8.30p.m. at Glengarriffe Hotel. New members very welcome.

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