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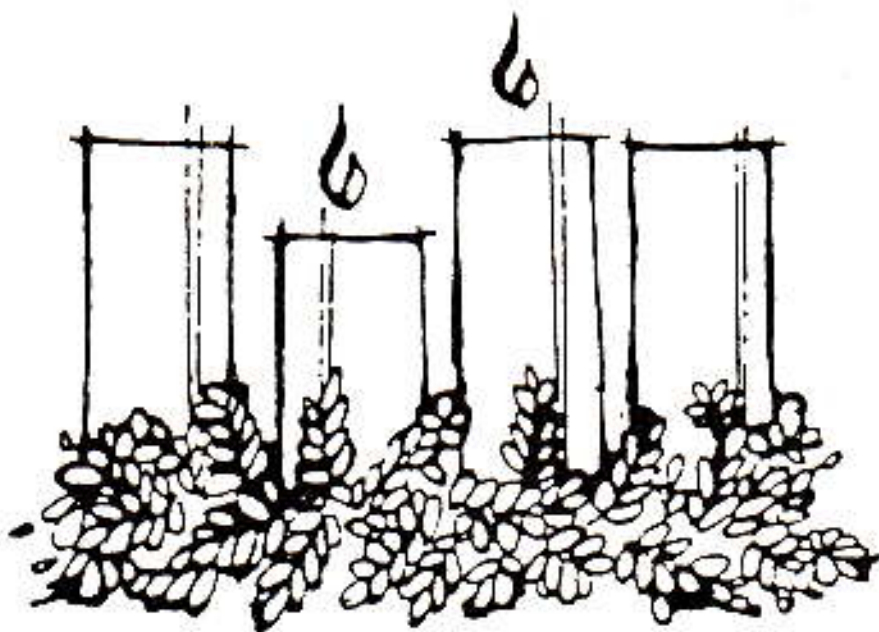
# BALLINEASPAIG BULLETIN

2nd Sunday in Advent



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

## *Second Sunday of Advent*



## Advent Season

### Advent Events

- Sunday Evening Devotions and Benediction at 5 p.m.
- Half Hour Adoration each Thursday night at 8 p.m.
- Advent Prayer in the Crypt on Tuesday nights at 8 p.m.

### A Date for your Diary

Sunday 20th December at 8 p.m.  
Do come and join in the celebration of the birth of Christ in music and song, with choirs and orchestra, under the baton of Patrick Killeen.



We welcome our new parishioners recently baptised:

ALICE EVE MORGAN NOLAN  
LUKE DAVID MORGAN NOLAN  
PETER ANTHONY O'CALLAGHAN  
STUART OWEN O'NEILL  
FRANCES KATE GRIFFIN



**Question :** It is very easy to say 'forgive and forget' but it's really expecting too much isn't it ?

**Answer :** It would be very arrogant of me to say 'well that's what the Lord wants of us.' and of course it is very difficult.

Christ, whom we profess to follow was insulted, betrayed, tortured and in the end, crucified. It is unlikely in the extreme that we will have to undergo all of these things.

But HE forgave and even prayed for his tormentors. He expects us to forgive too, just as God is always ready to forgive us.

And if we can't always forget, at least let us root the bitterness out of our hearts.

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#### Global Changes & Challenges

A public meeting organised by Trocaire on Monday 7th December at 8 p.m. in the Metropole Hotel. Speaker: Rene Armand Dreifuss. All welcome. Further information from Sheila Dillon, tel. 275622.



A reminder that special parish cards are sent to those parishioners whom we hear are in hospital.

The procedure for letting us know is very simple. At every Sunday Mass, slips of paper are left out on the Offertory Table at the centre of the Church. Those whose names are written on these lists are remembered in our prayers for the sick at Sunday and weekday Masses, and parish greeting cards are posted to them as an assurance of the concern and support of the community.

Please note that we never call out these names publicly; rather, we include them all in prayer.

We ask you to help us remember the sick by letting us know when family members or neighbours go to hospital, etc. Thank you.



Shiela Hennessy, Wilton Gardens and formerly Beal na Blath, died recently. Her unexpected death left her family and friends with a deep sense of loss. Always gentle, soft-spoken and gracious, she was loved and respected by a wide circle of family neighbours and friends. A devoted wife and mother, a loyal and true friend, she is remembered for her quiet humour and hidden generosity to those in need and in trouble. We extend sincere sympathy to her husband, Bill, sons and daughters and extended family.



# CONGRATULATIONS



## THREE OUTSTANDING PARISHIONERS

Three of our very own parishioners have been receiving special media attention recently.

Dr. Michael Woods has announced the setting up of a new Marine Institute for the development of fisheries, agriculture, marine engineering and amenities. It is to be headed by **Maire Mulcahy** of Wilton Avenue, who is professor of Zoology and vice-president of U.C.C. We wish her well in this important post for which she is so well equipped.

A recent CURSAI programme on television figured that great sportsman, **Jimmy Barry-Murphy**. He played in his first All-Ireland football final in 1973 at the age of 19 and scored two goals! From then on his sporting

career was spectacular.

Tributes were paid to him not only for his skills in sport - but also for his outstanding personality. He is known as one of the best dual (hurling and football) players. But, as one of his fans put it, his success never went to his head.

**Rita Shaw**, formerly Rita Lynch, well known for her beautiful soprano voice, got special mention on Fionn O'Leary's "Sounds Classical" radio programme last week. He played two of her songs and it was such a pleasure to hear that lovely voice again.

To each of these parishioners, of whom we are so proud, we offer our congratulations.

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### Senior Citizens Dinner

A reminder that the Annual Christmas Dinner for Senior Citizens and Friends will be held on Sunday, 13th December in the Bishopstown G.A.A. Pavilion at 6 p.m.

Half Hour Adoration each

Thursday night at 8 p.m.

Advent Prayer in the Crypt

on Tuesday nights at 8 p.m.



FRANKLY, I'M WORRIED..... THREE WEEKS TO CHRISTMAS, AND NOT A SIGN OF AN EASTER EGG....

**Attention, Children!**

At the 10.00 Mass on Sunday next, 13th December, there will be a children's Advent Mass and a Christmas Tree and gift-giving ceremony. Children are asked to bring their greeting cards for the child Jesus and their little gift with them to this Mass.

Details of the ceremony are given on the cards provided at the church doors after each Mass this weekend. If you are unable to obtain a card please call to the C.P. Centre any morning this week.

We welcome families to come together for this Mass at which the children will specially participate as readers, singers, instrumentalists, etc.

The gifts will be distributed by the St. Vincent de Paul Society.



**Sr. Breige McKenna on Prayer**  
Cork Multi-Channel, December 6th, at 5.30 p.m.

- Brendan Ryan talks about his faith.
- Parish news from Togher, Sacred Heart Parish, Glandore, Ballyphehane, Gurrabraher.
- Parish profile of Enniskeane.
- Christmas Fun and Games - and reflections
- The shocking story of the way Ireland treats refugees - *'Still No Room at the Inn'*.
- Jack Barriscale on the major success story that is the St. Vincent dePaul Society.
- Decision Time for our Diocesan Mission

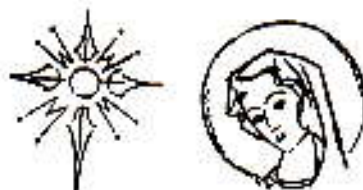
**ALL THIS, AND MORE IN THE  
CHRISTMAS 'FOLD' on sale  
at all Masses next weekend**

**Rosary Candle-Light Walk**

On December 8th at 8.30 p.m. Please assemble at Dun Mhuire, Grand Parade. Bring your own lantern, lamp or night light.

**Cope Foundation**

Annual Church Gate Collection takes place this weekend at all Masses.

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

Next Tuesday, 8th December, is the feast of the Immaculate Conception and a Holyday of Obligation. Vigil Mass on Monday night at 7.30, Masses on Tuesday at 9, 10, 11, 12.15 and 7.30 p.m.

**People of Faith**

Monthly Mass, Friday December 11th in St. Mary's Church, Popes Quay at 8 p.m. The theme is "Mass of Giving" and you are invited to bring non-perishable food, a new toy or a gift of money, to be distributed to the needy.

**Special Christmas Cards**

As usual we hope to send cards to parishioners who are now resident in retirement homes. If you have a family member or neighbour in one of these homes, please drop his/her name in to the C.P. Centre as soon as possible, or contact one of the priests.

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