



Sunday, Jan. 31st, 1993

**BALLINEASPAIG  
BULLETIN**

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DEAN-HYSCROSS CORIAFROM OUR  
**PARISH  
TEAM***The Dean writes***"BE AS WISE AS  
SERPENTS..."**

My dear friends,

From time to time parishioners, and others, refer rather tentatively to persons who have approached them with business projects - allegedly on my recommendation.

I wish to state that neither I, nor any priest in this Parish, ever send anyone to collect (except Christmas and Easter dues), or sell, or advise on any work to be done. We hold no public relations agency for any person or firm, and my advice is - treat anyone with such an approach with great caution. But be assured that he or she was not sent by any of us priests.

So take to heart the words of Scripture - "Be as wise as serpents, and yet as harmless as doves."

May God send you every blessing for 1993.

Yours sincerely,

*Denis O'Connor P.P.***THANK YOU**

We have received the following note from Eileen Harrington, Public Health Nurse, aunt of the late Sean Devereux.

"You have given me so much. A sincere thank you for your wonderful gift of the Mass on Monday January 25, at your Friendship Club with Dean O'Connor.

I experienced your heartfelt sympathy and love, though I am grieving I feel we were celebrating Sean's spirit which is 'Serve the Lord in gladness'.

You have so much to offer me and the world with your life's experience. You have helped me a lot.

You have served me in gladness.

Thank you."

OUR UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM  
WILL BE SOLVED BY PEOPLE  
PLEASE

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## *A Reflection*

### OPTION FOR THE POOR

THOSE who make such an option are committing themselves not just to helping the poor to resist exploitation and oppression; they also undertake to be an empowering presence with "ordinary" poor people, helping them to explore and articulate the meaning of the Gospel in their daily lives and struggles. That is a further reason why some Church leaders find it so hard to accept, or even to understand. They experience it, perhaps only half consciously, as a threat to their exclusive authority to interpret the Word of God and the message of Jesus for today.

"Options for the Poor" by  
Donal Dorr (Dublin: Gill and  
Macmillan)

## Rest In Peace

We pray for the late RITA MURPHY, College Road, who died recently. She was the last of a family of nine and lived out the principles of her religion in exemplary fashion. We extend our sympathy to her nephews and nieces.

MRS. - LOUISE DILLON, late of Farranlea Park, and formerly of Sunday's Well, died on 21st January.

Lulu, as she was affectionately known to her friends, had grown old surrounded with the care and affection of family and grandchildren. May she rest in peace.



## CITIZENS INFORMATION CENTRE

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### Know Your Rights

**Q:** I am getting the Carers' Allowance for looking after my father. He is due to go into hospital next week. Do I have to return the Carers' Allowance Book and if so what other payment will they give me to replace it?

**A:** You are not entitled to this allowance if the person being cared for goes into hospital, home or institution. However, the Dept. of Social Welfare take a more sympathetic approach and if at the time they are admitted to hospital it seems likely that they will be there for less than 13 weeks, then, they will allow the Carers' Allowance to remain in payment, but would expect the book to be returned to them in the period in hospital went over the 13 weeks.

If it was likely from the outset that the pensioner would be in hospital for more than 13 weeks, then the book should be returned immediately they go into hospital.

Where the carer is the wife of the pensioner she could ask to be put back on to the husband's pension book as a dependant. In other cases the carer could apply for Supplementary Welfare Allowance if she/he had no income.





## "LUKE" COMMENTS ON CHURCH UNITY

### NOT AN OPTIONAL EXTRA!

Fr. Michael Regan, Bishopstown R.T.C. Chaplain, delivered the homily at the Interdenominational Service in St. Fin Barre's Cathedral last Sunday night, as part of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

He spoke of the efforts of Theologians and Church Leaders in order to achieve unity of Christians after four hundred years of division. He wondered if the 'hands and hearts' of 'ordinary' Christians might not be more successful than the intellectual efforts of our leaders.

This is a view echoed by Rev. Dr. Eric Gallagher, former

President of the Methodist Church. At Ecumenical Services, he observes that, on the Catholic side, attendance comes largely from the orders and from lay people. On the Protestant side, support comes from 'those who serve with outside bodies and agencies. Parish and Congregational clergy are few and far between.'

He quotes the late Bishop Philbin as saying: "The world would be able with something like a good conscience to hold aloof from Christians as long as Christians hold aloof from one another."

Dr. Gallagher goes on to say that a world needing reconciliation will not listen to a Church that has not experienced it... the search for unity is not an optional extra! Ecumenism and Evangelism belong together, he says.

Media coverage of Church Unity Week has been negligible. Perhaps it accurately reflects the lack of interest in unity by us Christians?

### BIBLE QUIZ SEARCHWORD

G	O	N	A	B	O	G	E	N	D	E	B	A
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C	K	A	N	J	S	A	D	D	Y	L	E	M
H	O	B	L	E	L	I	N	E	N	J	L	A
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Answers to the questions are hidden in the grid, where the words read forward, backward, up, down and diagonally, always in a straight line. Cross through each word as you find it. Some words in the grid overlap, so the letters may be used more than once. You won't need to use all the letters in the grid.

### Clues

1. One of the Jewish exiles who was thrown into the fiery furnace, Dan. 3:19
  2. David took refuge in a cave near this town, 1 Sam 22:1
  3. Home of Joseph the secret disciple of Jesus
  4. Tower mentioned in Gen. 11:1-9
  5. Place near Jerusalem where Jacob dreamed of a staircase from heaven to earth, Gen. 28:19
  6. Town where Jesus turned water into wine, John 2:1
  7. Mediterranean island
  8. Flower of Isaiah 35:1
  9. Wife of Zechariah and mother of John the Baptist
  10. Mountainous land south of the Dead Sea
  11. Place on the western shore of Lake Galilee, Mark 6:53
  12. Princess from Sidon who married Ahab king of Israel, 1 Kings 16:31
  13. Animal from Isaiah 11:6
  14. Cloth used for sails, curtains and clothes, Exodus 26:1
  15. A town 10 miles inland from Joppa, Acts 9:32
  16. Wife of Isaac and mother of Esau and Jacob Gen. 24:15
  17. Phoenician port on the coast of modern Lebanon, Acts 27:3
  18. High priest in the reign of King David, 2 Sam. 15:24
- Solution on back page.





## TAKE NOTE

### Church Collectors' Meeting

A meeting of all Church Collectors will be held at the C.P. Centre on tomorrow Monday night, 1st February, at 8 p.m.

### Communications Committee

A sincere thank-you to all who helped at the children's Advent Mass. There were many hampers made from the gifts the children brought to the Mass - it was a great success.

The CHILDREN'S CHOIR will meet again at 5.15 p.m. in the Crypt next Thursday, 4th February. All are welcome.

### First Friday

Next Friday, 5th February, is the First Friday of the month. Calls to the sick and housebound on the usual days.

**DON'T  
FORGET:**

### St. Vincent de Paul

Monthly collection will take place at all Masses next weekend.

### St. Joseph's Young Priests Soc.

Monthly meeting next Thursday, 4th, at 8 p.m.



### Table Quiz

In aid of Gaelscoil uí Riada at 8.30 p.m. on Tuesday 2 February. Venue G.A.A. Hall, Bishopstown. £10 per table. All are welcome.

### Bishopstown Community Association

Monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday 2 February at 8 p.m. in Wilton Park House.

The B.C.A., as part of its programme of events for 1993, hope to twin Bishopstown with Maison de Quartier Francisco Ferrar, an organisation similar to the B.C.A. in Rennes. All members of the public are invited to attend the monthly meeting to discuss this venture.



### Interested in Gardening?

Irish Garden Plant Society (IGPS) are organising a lecture "Bulbs for all Seasons" by Brian Mathew (Kew Gardens) on Thursday 4 February at 7.45 p.m. in the S.M.A. Hall. New members welcome.

### BIBLE QUIZ SEARCHWORD SOLUTION

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1. Abednego
2. Adullam
3. Arimathea
4. Babel
5. Bethel
6. Cana
7. Crete
8. Crocus
9. Elizabeth
10. Edom
11. Gennesaret
12. Jezabel
13. Leopard
14. Linen
15. Lydda
16. Rebekah
17. Sidon
18. Zadok

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