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CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CO.RK

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THE YEAR OF THE FAMILY CONSECRATION

On Sunday, November 20th at 4.00 p.m. we invite you to consecrate your family to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in our Church of the Holy Spirit. A special Mass and Consecration Ceremony takes place to mark the event.

Many of you will remember the practice of this Consecration. It was done in former years at the request of families, in the family home by the visiting priest, and prayers of Consecration were recited. The priest signed the Consecration picture which was then hung in a prominent place and usually a light was left continuously burning before it. It remained a focal point, reminding all in the house and those who visited of the love the Sacred Heart of Jesus had for each member of the family.

We invite every member of each family in our parish to come to this Mass. There will be active family participation and will be a very happy occasion, when

together we will celebrate the Eucharist and our great Irish tradition of love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

By 'family' we recognise all sections of our community who, as homemakers, whether living alone or as any form of family unit, are part of our parish family. Together we are one family, existing for each other, depending on each other, supporting one another.

Consecration Pictures will be available at 60p each in the C.P. Centre from today. Votive lights will be available later.

Further details will be given over the next few weeks but please make a note of the date and time, and keep it free for the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

P.S. Relevant books and pamphlets are currently on sale on Book-racks in the church.

ELECTION REMINDER

In the areas in which elections are being held, every person over 18 years of age should, by now, have received a voting paper. If not, please contact your present Council representative. Make sure you vote; it is important for your area, it is important for the Parish.

The final date for the return of completed voting papers is midnight, Sunday 23rd October, 1994.



We pray for the late Mary O'Shaughnessy, Woodlawn, who died recently. Gentle, kind, generous, happy, were the words used by many people to describe Mary. To those who knew Mary well, the words faith and courage will always spring to mind. Throughout her illness her faith and courage to live life to the full was so evident. She will be missed by all who attended the coffee mornings and all on her Bulletin run to which she so diligently attended. We offer our deepest sympathy to her husband Aidan, and family.

We pray for the late May O'Dwyer of Bishopscourt Lawn. Those who attended the 10 a.m. Mass couldn't but admire her courage, with the aid of her husband, as she approached the altar for Communion. A gentle, loving, softly spoken woman, always with a smile, she will be sadly missed by her husband John and family, to whom we offer our sympathy and prayers.

We pray for the late Hannah Minihane, Merlyn Lawn, who died recently. Despite her advanced age, she was very alert to the end. Her welcoming words when bringing the Blessed Sacrament to her were, "Cead Mile Failte", surely a lesson in faith to us all. To her family we offer our sympathy and prayers.



We offer our sincere sympathy to EILEEN FLAHERTY, Farranlea Park, on the death of her mother May O'Halloran during the summer. To JOHN O'CALLAGHAN, Glinarden, on the death of his brother Henry. To CONAGH O'HERLIHY, Model Farm Road, on the death of her sister.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Curator's House,
Waterworks
Lee Road

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank 'Luke' for his Media Comment article in newsletter No.394.

I have frequently in the past taken issue with his views, so I am delighted to congratulate him on his support of Archbishop Dermot Clifford's address, at the opening of the new Law Term in Dublin.

I am also glad to see Luke exposing the hypocrisy of the so-called "liberal agenda". In my opinion it is in fact "a couldn't care less attitude about anyone else", and it has very little to commend it.

Keep up the good work.

Yours in Christ,
Gerry Duffy




Volunteers Needed

Friends of the Regional Hospital

Can you speak a foreign language? Cork is a major tourist centre and seaport, and every year many sick and injured foreigners are treated in the Regional Hospital. Imagine what it feels like to be in hospital and not speak or understand the language.

The Friends offer a unique service to these foreign patients - we have a list of people who speak a foreign language and who are willing to go in when required to help the staff communicate to the patients and to befriend and visit them whilst they are in hospital, so far from home.

We need more people on this list - if you can speak any foreign language reasonably fluently please contact Kit Deeney at 543684.

"I CAME AS A GUEST"

Let all guests who arrive be received like Christ, for he is going to say "I came as a guest, and you received me." And to all let due honour be shown....Let both Abbot and community wash the feet of all guests. In the reception of the poor and of pilgrims the greatest care and solicitude should be shown, because it is especially in them that Christ is received. For as far as the rich are concerned, the very fear which they inspire wins respect for them.

Rule of St. Benedict

COMMENT

MEDIA COMMENT by "LUKE"

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

One of my favourite TV programmes is "SONGS OF PRAISE" on BBC TV. I like it because it is a religious programme that is very professionally presented. I enjoy it because it is people orientated. Very ordinary people are happy to share their faith beliefs. Perhaps most of all I love the hymns being sung with so much joy and fervour.

Watching 40,000 souls gathered in Old Trafford football stadium last Sunday night for "Songs of Praise" was an uplifting, even emotional, experience. The joy of being Christian shone through in their singing.

I thought of how passionate we Irish are when we gather to sing the National Anthem in Croke Park on All-Ireland final day, or to chant "Olé, Olé, Olé" in Lansdowne Road or Dalymount Park or wherever.

And then I thought of how shy and inhibited we are in our beautiful church of the Holy Spirit. We somehow seem to lack the passion needed to give praise to God in this way - and, I believe, we are the poorer for it.

We have the space - and the roof is sound! We have our organist and our cantors and choirs. Any ideas out there for overcoming our hangups? Your editor, I'm sure, would love to hear from you.



NOTICE BOARD

Visitation

Fr. Finbarr Crowley will visit Magazine Road/College Road in the coming weeks.

Christian Meditation

Every Thursday evening at 7 (sharp) to 7.30 in the C.P. Centre.

Pre-Marriage Course

A Pre-Marriage Course will commence on 3rd November and run for four nights. It will be held in the C.P. Centre at 8 p.m. each Thursday night. To attend please contact one of the priests.

Mission Sunday

October is the month dedicated to the missions. This year Mission Sunday will be celebrated on 23rd October and a special collection will be taken up at all Masses.

Calling all Under 4's

Mother and Toddler Group meets every Thursday morning in the Crypt of the Church, 10.00-12.15, for play and chat. We would love to meet you.

Art Classes

A reminder to our Senior Parishioners that Art Classes have resumed on Thursdays in the Crypt at 2.30 p.m. These classes are funded by the V.E.C.

People of Faith

Monthly Mass will be held on Friday 21st in St. Joseph's Church, Mayfield, at 8.15 p.m.

Year of the Family Consecration

Keep Sunday, November 20th, free for the special Mass and Consecration Ceremony. The Mass will be celebrated at 4 p.m. in the Church of the Holy Spirit.

Alcoholics Anonymous

An Open Public Meeting of the Alcoholics Anonymous of Dennehy's Cross Group will take place on Wednesday, 2nd November at 8 p.m. in the Crypt of the Church. All are welcome.

Two weekly meetings of A.A. of the Dennehy's Cross Group take place on Friday and Sunday evening at 8.30 p.m. in the C.P. Centre.



Baile'n Easpaig Gramophone Circle

The monthly Recital will take place on Wednesday next, 19th October at 3 p.m. sharp, in the Crypt of the Church.

The Recital will be given by Catherine Hogan, the eminent Radio Eireann Music Presenter. An afternoon of glorious music is assured. Be there!

Thank You

£58.25 was recently collected from the residents of Woodlawn in aid of Oxfam.

Priests' Emergency

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