



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT,
DENMEHY'S CROSS, CO. K. K.

PASTORAL COUNCIL *News*

The Council held its monthly meeting on Monday 13th November. It was attended by Bishop Michael Murphy, who in the course of his address emphasised the need for lay involvement and

presented and encouraged the people of the parish to live out their own baptismal commitment to the "Priesthood of Christ" of which we became members at Baptism.

Topics discussed:

- 1) Midnight Mass at midnight on Christmas Eve.
- 2) Novena/Week of Prayer, i.e., most suitable time of the year
- 3) The need for contact with housebound and network contact with all groups in the parish.
- 4) Collection envelopes and the reason why they are being used. This will be explained in a covering note when boxes will be distributed next month.
- 5) The financial support of our parish clergy
- 6) Parish contact with students living in rented accommodation in the parish.



FROM OUR
**PARISH
TEAM**

Sr. Ursula writes

The old schoolmaster lay dying. His last agony had begun early that morning. The other patients said that they could hear him reciting the rosary shortly after 6am. Slowly, prayerfully, all day long the rosaries continued as family, relatives and friends took turns at his bedside. He answered the Hail Marys clearly, though his voice got weaker as the day progressed. By early afternoon his daughter thought that she heard a change in the response. Listening closely she heard, "Pray for me a sinner now at the hour of my death". His life long devotion to the Queen of Heaven was now very much in evidence as he prepared to meet her face to face.

By evening he was so weak someone suggested that the prayers be said silently so as not to distress him. "Peg", he whispered feebly, "Yes, Dad," she answered. "Say it out" was the last request. "I wouldn't doubt him," smiled the local curate when he called to give a last blessing. "Many's the time I got the same direction about my Sunday sermon."

It was after midnight when he quietly breathed his last. It has been a long, sad,

prayerful, but very peaceful vigil for his family. His prayer for a happy death had been well and truly answered. "Nothing in his life became him like the leaving of it."

Ar dheis De go raibh a ainm dilis.

Ursula O'Sullivan R.S.T



We offer our sincere sympathy to TADHG O SIOCHFRACHA, Bishopscourt Hill, on the death of his father.



Our congratulations to parishioners who were married during October:

NOREEN FLYNN, 3 Bishopscourt Lawn, who married Vincent O'Sullivan, Ballygarvan.
CAROL O'MAHONY, 30 Greenfields, Model Farm Road, who married Patrick Hurley, Innishannon.
CONOR AHERN, 1 Mile Stone House, Model Farm Road, who married Catherine Noonan, Ballyphehane.
WILLIE FAHY, 48 Leesdale, who married Mary Anne Forrest, Ballygarvan.

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Luke 21:11



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The Orchard,
Farranlea Park

Dear Editor,

We've just had PRISONERS' Sunday when we were asked to think of and pray for prisoners.

What about a VICTIMS' Sunday?

Yours faithfully,
Tom Harris



Wednesday 22nd is the feast of St. Cecilia who was honoured as a martyr, and since the 16th century she has been regarded as the patroness of musicians. Let us remember in prayer the members of the choir and all those who contribute to our liturgies with their music and song.



COMMENT

MEDIA COMMENT by "LUKE"

A CHALLENGING PROPOSITION

It had to be only a matter of time before somebody said it: "Chastity is a way of life which respects the specialness of our sexuality and of others, regardless of our hormones."

The Ottawa Challenge group are on a three-week tour of Ireland speaking with young people in schools and youth groups. Young people are encouraged to remain virgins until they marry and then to remain faithful to their partners.

The Ottawa Challenge group submit that "chastity is the best way of coping with your sexuality. It gives you freedom from pregnancy, from sexually transmitted diseases and from excess emotional pain."

For those who have chosen the liberal path in the past, they extend an invitation to follow the chaste path in the future.

It is a challenging proposition. But it must surely be a healthier alternative to the promiscuous life-style of our times, avoiding the heartache of unwanted pregnancies, sexually transmitted diseases and a destabilised society of the eat, drink and be merry type variety.

The new Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that (2347) "The virtue of chastity blossoms in friendship". What a positive approach to what has become an almost taboo subject.

Coming Soon

Baile'n Easpaig Gramophone Circle
Everybody is invited to our final Recital for 1995 on Wednesday next 22nd November in the Crypt, when Vera Wellcome will present her favourite music. Do come along and enjoy a great afternoon of music and a cuppa at the interval.

Scoil an Spioraid Naomh (Boys)

The Parents Association will hold a Cookery Demonstration at Bishopstown GAA Pavilion on Tuesday 21st November at 8.30 p.m. All are welcome. Tickets £3 available at door.

Ardfallan Fair

On Saturday 25th November, 10.30 to 3.00 in Ardfallen House, Douglas Road. A day for all the family. Stalls - books, cakes, gifts, plants, etc. Adm. adults 50p, children 20p.

The Hanly Centre

A counselling facility for alcohol related problems, will hold a weekend seminar on Friday and Saturday 24/25 November at La Verne Hall, St. Francis Church, Liberty Street. The Seminar is designed to help people affected by alcoholism and is open to family members, friends and associates. All are welcome. For further information call 551173.

Irish Foster Care Association

The A.G.M. will take place on Monday 20th November at The Sacred Heart Church, Western Road at 8 p.m. All are welcome.

St. Anne's Adoption Society

The annual collection will take place next week-end.



**FAMILY MASS
WITH YOUTH PARTICIPATION**

WHEN: Saturday 2nd December
WHERE: Crypt of Dennehy's Cross
Church
TIME: 7.15 p.m.

Boys and girls from 4th, 5th and 6th classes who would like to take part in the Readings are asked to come to a practice in the Crypt on Thursday 23rd November at 7.15 p.m.

Christmas Dues

Dues envelopes will be delivered to the homes in the coming days. If you return envelopes to the priests' houses, please use the hall door letterbox. Thank you.

Deceased Parishioners

Mass will be celebrated on Monday 27th November at 7.30 p.m. for parishioners who died during the year. Members of each family are invited to attend.

Is It Yours?

A lady's fawn raincoat was left in the C.P. Centre some time ago. It may be collected Monday-Friday between 10.00 and 12.30p.m.

Cork Spastic Clinic

Would like to thank the residents of Woodlawn for their generous contribution of £77.70 recently collected.

Can You Help Please

Bishopstown Meals-on-Wheels are in urgent need of a driver (male or female) to deliver meals on the Tuesdays of December (excluding 26th) - three in all. If you can help please phone Betty at 541487.

Ante-Natal Classes

On Tuesday evening from 8.00 - 10.00 in the Dennehy's Cross area. For details phone Sheila R.G.N. S.C.N. (Mother) at 541651.



Gardening Slide-Show and Talk

Brighten up a dark winter's evening at the Glengarriff Hotel, Orchard Road, on Wednesday 22nd at 8 p.m. Adm. £3. Proceeds in aid of medical expenses for a parishioner.

Next Sunday's Readings

2 Sam. 5:1-3; Ps. 121; Col. 1:12-20; Luke 23: 35-43.

**CHRISTMAS CHORAL
CONCERT**

Featuring
MESSLAH
(Excerpts)

GLORIA
(Vivaldi)

JOHN GIBSON
(Piano)

Cor an Spioraid Naoimh & Llonsa
Conductor: Patrick Killeen
Orchestra leader: Frances Horgan

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Sunday 10th December 8.00pm
Church of the Descent of the Holy Spirit
Dennehy's Cross, Cork.

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Admission (by ticket) **£3.00**
Students Unwaged / OAP **£1.50**
Family Ticket (Two adults / Children free) **£4.50**

Tickets available from Pro Musica (271659) and CP Centre (34452) or Church

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