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BALLINEASPAIG BULLETIN

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mission Sunday



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



FROM OUR PARISH TEAM

Fr. Finbarr writes

The late Cardinal O Fiach said, "One day we will have priests from Africa working to spread the Gospel here in Ireland." For many people the idea that we would not have enough priests and religious of our own appeared to be absurd.

The idea that we only need priests and religious to spread the Gospel message at home and abroad for me is absurd. In the recently renovated Cathedral the Baptistry is at the front door. It's there to highlight that all who are baptised belong to the family of God and it's an obligation on all of us to proclaim the Gospel message to all peoples.

Rationalisation, cut-backs, are words normally used in the workplace. They now have become real words to priests and religious in the past few years. Will Dennehy's Cross ever see the day again of two curates, sisters in the schools and hospital? Redeployment, better use of our resources, have now to become part of our very thinking.

I, as a priest in the parish, along with the Dean and Sr. Ursula, cannot hope, nor is it physically possible to do so, to do the same work as when we had

an extra curate in the parish, and sisters in all our schools.

We, the parish team, see home visitation as one of our many visions in the parish. I would ask you to be patient with us as we try to visit the extra homes that have been placed on us since Fr. John's departure.

I'm an optimist. I'm a Christian. I believe there is a Holy Spirit who is present to all of us and has given us all different gifts.

Redeployment of our gifts and talents can continue to make this a vibrant parish, but in order for it to happen, the expectation of the parish team and our own input must change.



We offer our sincere sympathy to
ROSE TWHIG, Leedale, on the death of her father.
FINBARR O'CONNOR, Parklea Court, on the death of his brother.
JOHN O'KEEFFE, Leedale, on the death of his father.
DICK CARROLL, Liam Lynch Park, on the death of his father.
MARY FOLEY, Wilton Gardens, on the death of her mother.

COMMENT

MEDIA COMMENT by "LUKE"

A MAN FOR OUR TIME

The intense media coverage of the Beatification of Edmund Ignatius Rice in Rome, while edifying, runs the risk of lulling all concerned into believing that, now that tribute has been paid to this great man, we can all sit back and let life proceed as normal.

At a recent Youth Conference held at the U.C.C. Granary Theatre with the theme of "Changing Ireland: Young People Celebrate", the two speakers were Adi Roche and Brian Crowley, M.E.P. Both of them emphasised the need for the individual to speak out, to be heard. Adi quoted St. Ignatius Loyola who said that "you can change the world" and spoke passionately of the rape of the planet, claiming that "there are no emergency exits left on the planet." And she begged people, especially the young people present, not to allow any more destruction - and most certainly not in our name.

Brian Crowley spoke of the importance of the individual, with all our thoughts and all our dreams and visions. Quoting Martin Luther King's famous catch-cry, "I have a dream" he said, "A man without dreams is like the golden-winged eagle that cannot fly."

Edmund Rice had a vision - but he acted on it. Today there is so much need for dreams and vision, he claimed. In that great economic grouping that is

the new Europe comprising 350 million people, we have 50 million below the poverty line, 16 million homeless, 25 million unemployed, 104 million abused either physically, sexually or mentally. Quoting Edmund Burke, he said, "All that is necessary for evil to prevail is that good men do nothing."

Asking all present to MAKE the dream a reality through our convictions, he said we should learn from the past, understand the present and dream of what is to come - in order to bring about change.



Rest in Peace

We pray for the late Josephine McGarry, St. Clares Avenue, who died recently. Josephine had been laid up for the past few years after a stroke. Despite her incapacity to get around, she remained most alert to all what was happening around her, and she was a woman of deep faith and great devotion to the Mass. We offer our sympathy to her son John and family.

We pray for the late Teresa Bowen, Kenley Drive, who died during the week. Teresa had been very ill for the past number of years. A native of Rathdowney, Co. Laois, Teresa was a quiet and unassuming woman, whose faith and the way she lived her life were very similar, never wanting to put people out, always trusting in the Lord. In her illness her witness to accepting her pain was a great example to all who knew her. To her husband Jim and family we offer our prayers.



Visitation

Fr. Finbarr will continue to visit the Glasheen area in the coming weeks - Sheares Park, Lynbrook, Glasheen Road and Lima Lawn. Apologies for not meeting all who were not at home. I'll do my best to see you in the coming weeks.



Family Mass

Parents interested in getting involved in organising the family Mass held on first Saturday each month are invited to a meeting in the C.P. Centre on Tuesday, 22nd October, at 8 p.m.

Special Mass

Mass will be celebrated for the late Bishop Michael Murphy on Monday next 21st October at 7.30 p.m.

Novena for the Dead

Novena will take place from 2nd to 11th November. Masses at 9.00, 10.00 and 7.30 p.m. Envelopes are now available in the church.

Community School Mass

Please note that the venue for this Mass has been changed to the FAS canteen at 10.00 a.m.



Special Offering

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Once again we are appealing for your support for our Winter Coal Fund, which is used for the needy in our parish. If you wish to give a donation, please contact parish team or local conference at C.P. Centre.

St. Benedict's Priory

Afternoon Prayer and Benediction on Sundays at 3.30 p.m. at the Priory in Cobh. The Bible Garden, Monastic Heritage, Oasis Tea Room and Craft Shop are open on Sundays 3-6 and weekdays 10.30-6.00.

Is It You?

Bunch of keys found on Bishopstown Avenue. Contact C.P. Centre, mornings, tel. 344452.



Baile'n Easpaig Gramophone Circle

Our monthly Recital will take place on Wednesday next, 23rd October, at 3 p.m. in the Crypt of the Church at Dennehy's Cross. Our Guest Presenter will be Dr. Vincent Barry, who will be paying his first visit to our gramophone circle. Do not miss this afternoon of great music.

Exercise to Music

Now at SMA Centre Tuesdays 10.30-11.30. Everyone welcome.



Reminder

Mother & Toddler Group continues every Thursday morning, 10-12 noon in Crypt. New members most welcome.

Readings for Next Sunday

The readings are : Ex. 22:20-26, Psalm 17, 1 Thess. 1:5-10 and Matt. 22:34-40



Please retain for reference



SUMMARY OF PARISH SERVICES

BAPTISMS

Contact priest of your district at least one week in advance to arrange a suitable time.

MARRIAGES

Three months' notice **must** be given.

Parish pre-marriage course will take place in November for **three nights**, 7th, 14th and 21st at C.P. Centre from 8.00 to 10.00 p.m. Contact member of parish team.

CERTIFICATES

Available at the C.P. Centre, Monday to Friday, 10.00 to 12.30, or at the Sacristy before and after Masses.

CRÈCHE

Sunday in C.P. Centre during 12.15 Mass.

PARISH TEAM

Dean Denis O'Connor, P.P. 542972

Fr. Finbarr Crowley, C.C. 343895

Sr. Ursula O'Callaghan 545549

Also in Residence: Fr. Denis O'Leary, 2 Woodlawn.

Emergency Number 088-519940 to be used if priest is not at home.

C.P. Centre Tel. No. 344452, open Monday-Friday, 10.00-12.30 p.m.

MASS TIMES:

Saturday Vigil: 6.15 p.m.

Sunday: 9.00, 10.30, 12.15. In FÁS Centre canteen at 10.00 a.m.

Aifreann as Gaeilge: 9.00 on third Sunday of month.

Holydays:

Eve of Holyday - Vigil 7.30 p.m. Holyday: 9.00, 10.30, 12.15, 7.30 p.m.

Weekdays:

9.00 and 10.00 a.m. Extra Mass on First Friday at 7.30 p.m.

MASS CARDS

At Mass times when you are sure to meet a priest.

VISITATION AREAS:

The Dean and Fr. Finbarr's visitation areas will remain the same with the following additions:

Leesdale/Wilton Gardens: Dean O'Connor

Glasheen area/Farranlea/Rossbrook: Fr. Crowley

Melbourn Court: Sr. Ursula