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DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

CORPUS CHRISTI

When lovers are about to part from each other they give one another a keepsake; a ring, a photo, to be a constant reminder and a link of love. Jesus, too, has left us a memorial of his love, the Holy Eucharist.

When Leonardo da Vinci was painting The Last Supper, as he studied the face of Christ on the canvas before he had finished it, it seemed such a perfect portrayal of the love of Christ, he felt he dared not add another stroke of his brush lest he spoil it. The hands are outstretched around the bread and wine, in complete giving. "This is my Body, given for you." "This is my blood poured out for you." Each title has its own significance, "Cup of Salvation", "Eucharist" (thanksgiving) "Abiding Presence", for the Mass "Sacred Banquet", a promise of eternal life "Who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has everlasting life and I will raise him up on the last day."

To ponder on this mystery in the presence of The Blessed Sacrament brings light and grace to glean something of its wonder - "Mystery of Love", Mystery of Faith", "All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine."

The procession of the Blessed Sacrament is an opportunity of showing our return for such a

great gift. We can be proud of the tradition in Cork of showing publicly our faith and adherence to Christ in the Eucharist. Holy, holy, holy...

Sr. Madeleine Lucey
St. Joseph's Convent

The Fold

The June issue of the Fold includes:

- * A profile of the Good Shepherd Services.
- * Alternative ways of recreating at two retreat centres in the dioceses.
- * South Presentation School closes its doors in June. We present an "Ode to its last days".
- * Conferrings in Farranree of the Adult Religious Studies Course.
- * Also news from Peru, clergy golf outings....

The only thing missing from the June Fold is the election!

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION

Takes place this Sunday, 1st June. We assemble at church at 2.45pm, leaving at 3.00pm, sharp, proceeding along College Road to Grand Parade.



Rest in Peace

Margaret (Peg) Perry, Laburnum Drive, died during the week at Dun Laoghaire, where she had gone to visit her son John and daughter-in-law. Peg's concern for others extended far beyond her immediate family. She regarded all her relations as hers - and as a life-long member of Ballincollig I.C.A. extended that concern to the community where she grew up. We offer our sincere sympathy to her sons John and Brian, her sisters Kay, May and Eileen, her grandchildren Jennifer and David, and to all her relatives and friends who loved her and miss her.



I AM THE
RESURRECTION
AND THE LIFE



We welcome the following into our Christian community:
Clionadh Marie Coughlan
Shane Thomas Cox
Abigail Louise Higgins Le Cointe
Aoife Mary Crowley
Laurie Clare Mealy



We offer our sincere sympathy to PEG O'KEEFFE, Roger Casement Park, on the death of her sister. To PATRICK KEANE, Linaro Avenue, on the death of his mother.





COMMENT

MEDIA COMMENT by "LUKE"

MAVERICK, RADICAL, VISIONARY?

Dr. Noel Browne, one-time Minister for Health, was laid to rest in Baintreach Cemetery near his home in Baile na hAbhann, in Connemara. During a week almost totally given over to election fever, his passing was barely noted by the media.

Educated by the Marist Brothers in Athlone, later by the Christian Brothers in Ballinrobe and later still by the Jesuits in Beaumont College, near Windsor, Noel Browne returned to Dublin to become that rarity of those far-off days, a Catholic in Trinity College, studying medicine.

If his political life was stormy, his personal life and that of his entire family was tragic in the extreme. His autobiography, "Against the Tide", published in 1986, makes for unbelievably sad reading. It also goes a long way towards explaining why the man was so single-mindedly stubborn in his search for a better standard of living, including health, for all of the nation's people.

He was instrumental in the eradication of the scourge of TB in the country and in the setting up of the National Blood Transfusion Board. But he will always be remembered for his part in the Mother and Child Scheme in 1951. Ironically, many of today's voters (the majority?) weren't even born then.

Noel Browne was brave. He was stubborn. He was very much his

own man. It will be interesting to read, in time, what the historians will have to say about him. In the meantime, I'm sure the Lord has welcomed home his controversial son.



Happy Birthday

1. Light the Baptismal Candle of the child celebrating the birthday and place in the centre of the table.
2. Invite other members of the family to share what they like about the child whose birthday it is.
3. The following prayer could then be said:
 God, our Father, we thank you for (name) who is (age) today. We thank you for the things that make him special to all of us. We ask you to bless him today and help him to have a good birthday with lots of love and happiness. Keep him safe during the coming year and let us all be together again next year to help him celebrate being (-). Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



First Friday

Next Friday, 6th June, is the First Friday of the month. Calls to sick and housebound on the usual days.

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Will be held as usual on next Friday, 6th June.

Intention for this month: We pray for all students sitting exams.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Soc.

Monthly meeting will take place next Thursday, 5th June, in the C.P. Centre.

CONCERN

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Concern's special task is caring for thousands of lost children in war-torn Zaire. They require financial assistance urgently to Concern, Camden Street, Dublin 2.

Coeliac Society

The final meeting of the Southern Branch before the Summer holidays will take place on Tuesday 3rd June at 8pm in the Main Hall, SMA Centre, Wilton. A representative from Nature's Way will be in attendance.

Glasheen Boys School

Glasheen Boys Primary School will hold an open day and enrolment session on Wednesday June 4th between the hours of 1.00p.m. and 3.00p.m. Parents of new and intending pupils are invited to attend and see the facilities offered by the school. For further information, contact the school principal - Colm O'Loingsigh.

Poor Clare Monastery

We have received a note from the Poor Clare Monastery to let parishioners know that from now on, the first Mass on Bank Holidays will be at 8.00a.m.

Mass Times

Weekdays: 9.00, 10.00.

Saturday Vigil: 6.15pm.

Sundays: 9.00, 10.30, 12.15pm.



Readings for Sunday 8th June

Gen. 3:9-15. Ps. 129.

Cor. 4:13-15:1. Mk 3:20-25.

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