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FROM OUR PARISH TEAM

The Dean writes

Mary Robinson, while President, repeatedly expressed astonishment at, and support for local enterprise and talent, which she discovered even in the smallest communities. This country is bursting with gifted young people, with an easy and highly professional attitude towards their work. Their skills rest lightly on their humanity - a priceless combination. Happily our Parish community is blessed with more than our share of people with such gifts. There is an urgency which calls for these gifts to be shared - so many voluntary groups are hoping for new recruits. I'm sure our Pastoral Council will highlight these again for us.

Last week's Bulletin carried a sketch of a man praying as he rested his elbows on the kitchen chair - the picture spoke more than a thousand words. I saw the picture in real life just two weeks ago - a young man and his wife and child kneeling in prayer when I called to their home. I thought - part of a beautiful but dying picture of Ireland and religion. I don't know. I hope I'm wrong about the dying bit.

Many young people still quietly cherish their Christian heritage. Some were taken by surprise by their newly found prosperity. Hopefully they can retain a vision of all that's good, and make room in their hearts for God, and share with others of God's family who are less fortunate. Somebody said, "Religion, and all that we refer to as happiness, are really different names for the same thing." Think on that.



The Fold

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The September issue will be on sale next week-end. Included will be the following articles:

- * Who runs the Church? A critical examination of the way the church is portrayed in mass media and popular perception.
- * A feature on Kilmacabea parish.
- * A photo-essay on the Omagh commemorations.
- * Help for young Irish emigrants in the US - update on Fr. Tim O'Sullivan's work.
- * Cathedral Golf Classic and the St. Anne's Gold Day.



Pray for these...



Sr. Ailbe Moloney, St. Catherine's Convent. Sr. Ailbe was appointed to the staff of St. Catherine's School in its early years, subsequently she taught at St. Maries of the Isle, and was appointed Principal at St. Catherines in 1983. She retired through ill health in 1997. During her time at the school she was held in the highest esteem and affection by teachers and pupils alike. Indeed the huge crowds who attended her removal and funeral on 20th July bore silent witness to this fact. Her kindness, gentleness and impartiality endeared her to the many thousands who passed through during her years in the classroom. A past pupil who wrote to her in her illness summed up what many felt in their hearts:

"For all the love you gave me - Thank You.

For the lovely memories I have of you - Thank You.

For your influence for good in my life - Thank You."

The sympathy of the Parish goes to her brother, sisters, her sisters in religion and all her relatives and friends who miss her. May she enjoy the reward promised in Holy Scripture - "Those who have instructed many in virtue will shine like stars for all eternity."

Richard Lynch, Leesdale, Model Farm Road. It is sad to see any young person die. Richard had just celebrated his 21st birthday when he died on 30th June last. He had been in ill health for a considerable time, but maintained a wonderful spirit of cheerfulness and normality throughout. We extend heartfelt sympathy to his parents, John and Bernadette, his sisters Tracey, Deborah and little Shauna (too young to understand), his brother Stephen, his grandmother, uncles and aunts and other relatives, and his many close friends, especially Emer.

Rosemary O'Sullivan, Wilton Gardens. Rosemary lost her husband when their family was still very young. She then returned to work as a bank official to maintain her children and her home. She retired a few years ago, but wasn't in great health afterwards. She spent the past few months in Bishopscourt Residential Care and the Bon Secours, where she died on 29th July. We extend the sympathy of the community to sons Alan and David, her daughter Gay, her brothers and sisters.

We offer our sincere sympathy to BOB REARDON, Farranlea Grove, on the death of his sister.

To GERRY DESMOND, Roger Casement Park, on the death of his sister.

To NOREEN O'MAHONY, Woodlawn, Model Farm Road, on the death of her father.

To MARY HERRICK, 22 Lima Lawn, on the death of her brother.

To PEG HERRICK, The Orchard, Farranlea, on the death of her brother.

To MARIAN HEALY, Kenley Close, on the death of her father.



COMMENT

MEDIA COMMENT by "LUKE"

A MATTER OF PRIORITIES?

Despite the weather, it has been a good summer. Normally, summer spells the silly season for the media. But we've had the Tour de France, the Tall Ships visit and now, to cap it all, we've had the visit of President Bill Clinton. All in all, the media haven't had to "invent" news: it's all been happening for them.

I will resist the temptation to become embroiled in political comment(!) but I have been more than a little disturbed at reports in the media of the spending of vast sums of taxpayers money in preparation for some of these events. Despite cut-backs in so many areas - health is an obvious one - money could suddenly be found to resurface large stretches of road to accommodate the visiting cyclists. The mind boggles at the expense incurred in hosting President Clinton.

I am not a begrudger. But if I needed a hip-replacement? Or if I were a small farmer in West Clare or Galway suffering repeated flood damage? Or a resident of the Ballymun flats?

I welcome the Celtic Tiger. But all this spending leaves me a little uncomfortable. How about you?



Just Married

Congratulations to the following parishioners who were married during the Summer:

SUSAN CORRIGAN, 24 Sheares Park, who married Michael Fitzgerald, Togher.

ANN CONCANNON, 26 Farranlea Grove, who married Finbarr O'Connell, Dripsey.

MICHELLE COLLINS, 18 Woodlawn, who married Harry O'Sullivan, Duntahane, Fermoy.

COLETTE FENTON, Fernhurst Terrace, who married John Murphy, Glanmire.

BRIAN McLOUGHLIN, Model Farm Road, who married Ursula Casey, Sunday's Well.

BARRY O'LEARY, School Avenue, Glasheen, who married Rosarie Casey, Fermoy.

DERVAL McNAMARA, 13 Orchard Court, who married John Kelly, Westgate Road.

NIALL O'HALLORAN, Cherry Grove, who married Clare Kelleher, Riverstick.

TOM ROCHE, College Road, who married Margaret Clare O'Brien, Lislevane.

CATHERINE SEXTON, 40 Leedale, who married Padraic Manley, Montenotte.

CLARE TWOMEY, Bishopstown Avenue, who married DENIS BARRY-MURPHY, Laburnum Lawn.

Good luck to RONAN CURRAN, Wilton Road, who is playing for Cork Minor Hurlers this Sunday.



Bulletins to the Homes

Next week-end Bulletins will be delivered to all homes in the parish. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our very dedicated distributors.

Adult Education Committee Meeting
Will be held on Wednesday 16th at 7.00 p.m. in the C.P. Centre.



Hospice Coffee Mornings

On Thursday September 17th between 10.30 and 12 noon at St. Joseph's Convent, Model Farm Road, and the Rendezvous Bar, Model Farm Road. Everybody welcome to both venues.

Resurrection Garden

The Benedictines of Cloyne invite you to the opening of the Garden on Sunday 13th September at 3.30p.m.

VEC Art Classes for Older People

Classes will resume on Thursday 17th September at 2.30 p.m. in the Crypt.



Beginners Gymnastics

At Mount Mercy College commencing late September. Details from Sinead White 542561 or (086)8360275.



Friendly Morning Bridge

Venue: The Crypt, Dennehy's Cross Church, Monday mornings during September at 10.30 a.m. All are welcome, with or without a partner. Open.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations to the following parishioners:
JOANNA HYLAND, St. Francis Avenue, who recently captained the Irish U-21 Hockey Team.
BRIAN BARRY-MURPHY, Kenley Road, on being a member of the Irish U-21 Soccer Squad.
CIARA HEALY, The Crescent, Kenley, member of the Cork Minor Camogie Team who recently won the All-Ireland.

We would also like to congratulate the Bishopstown Camogie Senior Team on retaining the Cork County Championship and to their players who helped Cork win the Senior All-Ireland last Sunday.

Readings for Sunday 20 September

Am. 8:4-7. Ps. 112.
1 Tim. 2:1-8. Lk. 16:1-13.

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