



NOTICE BOARD

* **Charity Fashion Show**
Transition year students of Mount Mercy will hold their annual charity fashion show on Sunday 18th October in Jurys Hotel at 2.30 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. Tickets £3.50 for U-12/students and £6 adults. Two charities will benefit - the Omagh Disaster Fund and the Bessboro Project. The students hope to build a bridge of unity and friendship between Mount Mercy and Omagh and have invited four Omagh schoolgirls to be their guests for the weekend. The show promises to be a great success and we hope for a large turnout.

Bishopstown GAA
Vacancies exist for community employment (FAS) workers at the Club. Details from 545616. Under age teams performed very well recently. U-10s drew in the final of the Nemo Hurling Tournament. U-12s won the South City Final. U-15s won the City Hurling Championship and the U-16s won the Football Championship. The U-14s lost their final by a mere one point. Congratulations to all involved.

* **Toddlers at Mass**
Parents who wish to mind their toddlers during Mass are welcome to use the porch at the left hand side of the church. The sound is very good there and the children have space to move around.

* **Adult Education Series**
Continues next Tuesday 20th with "The Challenge of Change" by Professor Joe Lee, UCC.

Dates for 1999
First Communion: Saturday 15th May.
Confirmation: Thursday 6th May.

* **Liturgy Group**
Meeting on Monday 19th October at 8.10 p.m. in C.P. Centre.

* **Crèche**
Re-opening this Sunday 25th October for 12.15 Mass.

Baile'n Easpaig Gramophone Circle
The monthly recital will take place on Wednesday next 21st October, at 3.00 p.m. in the Crypt of our church at Dennehy's Cross, when Terry Layton will present his choice of music. Everybody will be most welcome to this afternoon of glorious music.

Foróige
Foróige will be going to schools in the coming weeks with the object of starting a Foróige Club in the Crypt of the Church. Members between 12-18 years are welcome to attend.



* **Notices for Bulletin**
Notices should be in to the C.P. Centre by Wednesday morning for the following Sunday bulletin.

Readings for Sunday 25 October
Sir. 35:15-17, 20-22, Ps. 33
2 Tim. 4:6-8, 16-18. Lk. 18:9-14.

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**OUR
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writes

FIFTEEN MONTHS before the millennium, one airline is cancelling all flights over the New Year's Day period because of possible computer difficulties with the arrival of the year 2000. Such cancellations will cause inconvenience and financial loss, but are considered to be in the best interest of all.

Another set of cancellations is being sought to mark the millennium. An international group concerned about their less well off brothers and sisters have set out to gather a million signatures to petition the leaders of the richest nations of the world to cancel the debts owed to them by the poorest nations. This will give a billion people a debt-free start to the new millennium.

If you are willing to sign such a petition, you can do so at the church this coming weekend or during the coming week. It is one practical way to mark Mission Sunday, when we pledge our support to those missionaries who have gone to these developing countries telling them of Jesus who came to bring good news to the poor. Oppression and hunger can be a wall that blocks any hearing of the good news of Jesus. The good news is that we are all brothers and sisters of Jesus and of each other and so, all are entitled to basic food, shelter, healthcare and education. Without debt cancellation, a billion people will never have their basic entitlements. It may cause some financial loss to the developed world, but it is in the best interest of all. It is right and just to support such debt cancellation.

Petition



A debt-free start for a billion people



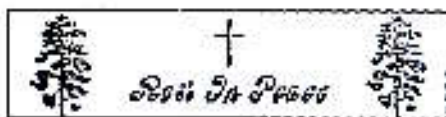
Given below is the text of the petition you are asked to sign in the coming week. Please encourage your family and friends to support the petition.



We, the undersigned, believe that the start of the new millennium should be a time to give hope to the impoverished people of the world.

To make a fresh start we believe it right to put behind us the mistakes made by both lenders and borrowers, and to cancel the backlog of unpayable debts of the most impoverished nations.

We call upon the leaders of lending nations to write off these debts by the year 2000. We ask them to take effective steps to prevent such high levels of debt building up again. We look for a new beginning to celebrate the millennium



James Howard, Leesdale, staged a great fight for life after his motor cycle accident on the Model Farm Road at the end of August. He suffered really horrific injuries on that occasion, but was making slow but steady improvement when his condition suddenly deteriorated and he died quietly on Tuesday 29th September. It's sad to see any young person die, especially so when life holds out so much promise. We extend sincere sympathy to his parents Barry and Joan, his brothers, his fiancée Margarite, grandmother, uncles, aunts, and his many relatives and friends.



We offer our sincere sympathy to BARRY KENNEALLY, Leesdale, on the death of his brother.
To ANDREW COLEMAN, Greenfields, on the death of his father.
To BREA BROWN, Greenfields, on the death of her mother.
To SEAMUS MURPHY, Laburnum Park, on the death of his mother.

Over 500,000 children die each year because of cutbacks to health services.

Africa now spends four times more on interest on its loans than on health care.

PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

It was announced at the October meeting on Monday 12th that, due to circumstances completely outside the control of the Council, the Parish Social arranged for October 31st has had to be cancelled. It was decided to organise a social in January next. Details will be given as soon as possible.

All respondents to the Parish in Partnership campaign have been contacted.

Beginning on Saturday 24th October it was decided to sell the Catholic Papers inside the church on an experimental basis after the 6.15 vigil Mass. A decision will be taken later on the sale at Sunday Masses. Only one parishioner offered to help with the papers - more help is needed.

A diocesan meeting concerning the millennium celebrations is to be held on October 20th and the parish will be represented. It was agreed that our parish would plan a celebration around the theme of "welcome" and would be planned around the Advent Season of 1999.

Five replies were received concerning the installation of the loop system for people whose

hearing is impaired. Because of the high cost of installation and the small number of people who expressed interest Council decided with regret not to proceed with the system. Those who wrote to the Council will be contacted directly.

The St. Vincent de Paul group in Mount Mercy college will operate the creche at 12.15 Sunday Mass.

A stand is to be made for the Processional Cross in the church and it will be then placed permanently in the sanctuary.

The Summit and Source

In the second lecture organised by the Adult Education committee Fr. Brian Magee C.M. gave an illuminating overview of the liturgical movement of this century. His wide-ranging talk touched on the Vatican Council, the papacy and the liturgical innovators both in Ireland and on the continent against the backdrop of the history of the 20th century, not forgetting "the human stories" of those involved. He moved from the days when Mass was said in Latin and few received Holy Communion to the work of the "Constitution on the Liturgy" where liturgy is proclaimed as "the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; at the same time ... the source from which all her power flows." Full of hope he works for the day when there will be "full and active participation by all the people."

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