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CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, DORK.

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



FROM OUR
**PARISH
TEAM**

The Dean writes

"Who wants to be a Millionaire?"

About seven hundred thousand people are prepared to try their luck each week in the hope of becoming an Irish millionaire. Naturally enough six hundred and ninety nine thousand are disappointed. But the lure is there. Gay Byrne assures us that if we can't win ourselves - which is virtually certain - we can enjoy the thrill of somebody else winning. Wise people tell us that great wealth can bring terrible misfortune into people's lives. It requires great restraint and self discipline to handle riches successfully. But in our heart of hearts we are convinced that we are the ones to rise to such a challenge. Try me!

It's worth reflecting for a moment on what Jesus said about this problem. Curiously enough He spoke a lot about it - so He must have considered it a matter of considerable importance.

St. Matthew records his opening words of the Sermon on the Mount: "Blessed are the poor in spirit." The "poor in spirit" lets us off the hook a bit. We could settle

for that. St. Luke is not so considerate for our feelings, he wrote rather bluntly: "How blessed are you poor, the Kingdom of Heaven is yours." We have the story of Dives (rich man) and Lazarus (poor man). Lazarus ended up enjoying the happiness of Heaven - Dives went down below.

He told another parable about the rich man who built bigger barns to hold all his produce, and then sat back to eat, drink and be merry. (What is your story kid? I won the Lotto). But that night the Lord called him to judgement.

This Sunday's Gospel has the story of the rich young man who led a good life, but when challenged to aim even higher, he faltered, "and went away sad, because he was a man of great wealth".

I suppose it all comes back to what Jesus stressed over and over again, that real unselfish love of God and neighbour is at the core of all He taught, and real happiness too. We can all share in this treasure of immense value. It could be a worthwhile exercise to ask myself - what are my priorities in life? "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Auntie O'Connor.



Novena for Holy Souls

Thursday 2nd November is the commemoration of all the faithful departed. Each priest will start a Novena of Masses for all the dead on our November list on that day. Envelopes and prayer cards will be available in the church and please place your completed envelope in the box at the altar rails before November starts.

Position of Caretaker

Caretaker required for local school. Person must be eligible for the Community Employment Scheme. Please phone Eilmarie at 347611.

Parkway-Leesdale

Parkway-Leesdale Residents Association will hold their A.G.M. on Tuesday, 17th October at 8 p.m. in the Bishopstown G.A.A. Pavilion.

Faith in Action

A meeting will be held
in

NASC, the Irish Immigrant Centre,
Sharman Crawford Street
(opposite St Aloysius School)
at 8pm on Monday night, 16th October.

to learn more about the work of the Centre,
and to discuss Group activities for the year.

**All are welcome. Phone Máire at
4543180 to say if you're coming, so that
we can tell NASC the numbers.**

Mission Collection

Jesus, Source of Life. Mission is not over. In his Mission Sunday address Pope John Paul II reminds us that "two thousand years since the start of Mission there are still vast geographical, cultural, human and social areas which have not yet been penetrated by Christ and His gospel".

Every penny from the Mission Sunday collection which takes place at all Masses next weekend is sent in its entirety to the Propagation of the Faith in Rome for distribution to the neediest churches in mission territories. There is no administrative cost taken from this collection.

Alzheimer Society of Ireland

Coffee morning in aid of the Cork Branch will be held on Monday 16th October, 10.00-12.00 noon in Jurys Hotel. All welcome.



Bishopstown Meals on Wheels

If you can spare approx. 2 hours about 12 times a year to drive, or one morning (9.30-11.45) every third week to cook, we once again appeal to you to volunteer to help. Please contact Pat (cooking) at 4545790 between 2 and 6 p.m. or Betty (driving) 4541487 between 5 and 7 p.m. Thank you.

Readings for Sunday 22 October

Is. 53:10-12;
Ps. 32:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22;
Acts 10:34, 17-43; Jn. 3:16-18.



Pastoral Council News

The new Pastoral Council held an inaugural exploratory meeting on Monday 9th October. Eleven areas of the parish were represented. Area 12 does not yet have a representative.

Michael Lehane, outgoing chairperson outlined the structure of the parish and the council with its sub-committees for Liturgy, Adult Education and the Bulletin. Some of the enriching initiatives of the last Council were reflected on, e.g., Gougane Barra Pilgrimage, Inter-Faith meeting, New Year's Eve celebration, and so on. The Council recommended that the annual Mass for those who died during the year would be on Tuesday 14th November at 7.30 p.m.

Council members are exploring the possibility of holding a Parish Social or Christmas party.

Next meeting on Monday 23rd October at 8.10 p.m.

PASTORAL COUNCIL AREA REPRESENTATIVES

Area 1 – Rossbrook, The Manor, Melbourn Court

John Ryan, 24 Melbourn Court

Area 2 – Leeddale, Rosslea

Denis Keily, 6 Leeddale

Area 3 – Parkway, The Grove, Greenfields, Parkway Court, Woodford, Wynford

Pat O'Leary, 11 Parkway Drive

Area 4 – Kenley Road/Drive/Avenue/Heights/Circle/Crescent, Mount Eden

Donal Shanahan, 17 The Drive, Kenley

Area 5 – Model Farm Road, Cherry Grove, Bishopstown Park, Woodlawn, The Belfry, Avondale

Helena Dennehy, Dennehy's Cross

Area 6 – Bishopscourt Avenue/Hill Road/Lawn, Merlyn Lawn, Wilton Avenue, Bishopstown Road

Padraig Ó Ríordáin, 2 Bishopscourt Ln

Area 7 – Bishopstown Ave., Bishopstown Ave. West, Highfield Lawn, Convent Lane, Woodleigh, The Ridgeway, Court Cairn

William John Hall, 'Smallacre'

Bishopstown Avenue

Area 8 – Farranlea Park/Grove/Road, The Orchard, Victoria Village/Court

Rowena O'Sullivan, Little Orchard, Farranlea Park

Area 9 – Laburnum Park/Drive/Lawn, Wilton Gardens

Dick Cross, 61 Wilton Gardens

Area 10 – Wilton Road, Glasheen Road, Liam Lynch Park, Roger Casement Park, Lynbrook, Glenarden, Sheares Park

Máiréad de Bhaldraithe (Waldron), Derrymore, Wilton Road

Area 11 – Magazine Road, Linaro Ave., Sheares Ave., Lima Lawn, School Ave., Bendemeer Park, Robin Hill

Margaret O'Mahony, 'Massabielle', Bendemeer Park

Area 12 – College Road, St. Clare's Avenue, St. Francis' Avenue, Orchard Road, The Grove, Orchard Court

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Ballineaspig Gramophone Circle

Monthly recital will take place on Wednesday next, 19th October at 3 p.m. in the crypt of our church at Dennehy's Cross, when Paddy McSweeney will give the recital and, as always, everybody is welcome.



Please retain for reference

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SUMMARY OF PARISH SERVICES

MASS TIMES

Weekdays

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

Saturday Vigil

6.15 p.m.

Sunday

9.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m. 12.15 p.m.

Holydays

Vigil

7.30 p.m.

Holyday

9.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m. 12.15 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.

(No 7.30 p.m. Mass on Sundays and Bank Holidays)

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 12 noon to 1.00 p.m. and before Vigil Mass

CERTIFICATES

Available at Sacristy before and after Masses, or in Parish Office, Monday-Friday, 10.00 to 12.30 p.m. (tel. 4344452)

MASS CARDS

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

HOUSEBOUND

For Communion please contact priest of your district.

BAPTISMS

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

MARRIAGES

Contact priest of your area well in advance. At least three months' notice must be given.

PARISH TEAM

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Fr. Patrick Walsh, C.C. 4345888

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(to be used if priest is not at home)