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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK



FROM OUR  
**PARISH  
TEAM**

*Fr. Patrick writes*

If someone was asked if he was a practising Catholic he would review of course his attendance at Sunday Mass. On finding that he was not exactly in church for the fifty-two Sundays of the year, plus the Holydays of Obligation, a very likely answer would be: "Well I am not a practising Catholic, but I am a good Christian!" A very proud boast indeed; which one of us can say that we are very good Christians? In the second reading of today's Mass, St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, the Apostle explains some of the details of a Christian community:

"There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord."

We all have different talents and gifts which are not given to ourselves for our own good alone, but for the good of everyone in the community. Can we say that we are putting our talents and gifts at the service of others? Surely this is what a Christian seeks to do. If we are practising Catholics then we should be using our talents and gifts for the good of all and, of course, prayer and our sharing in the Eucharistic sacrifice is perhaps the most basic of services.

*Patrick Walsh*



### PROGRAMME 2001

#### Spirituality through Poetry Series:

- Jan 24, 31, Feb 7, 14, 21 (Weds 8.00-9.00 p.m.)
- Jan 24 'The Soul can... let the Face of God shine through'. Clare Heffernan
- Jan 31 'Throwing Away the Clay Minted Wages'. Pdraig McCarthy
- Feb 7 'Moving into Spring'. Anne Francis
- Feb 14 'Going to the Well'. Alice Taylor
- Feb 21 'This white page like snow-land tempts the child within to put his own stamp on blank creation'. Mairin Nic Coirte

*Donation: £5 per session, inc. cuppa!*





## *End of Jubilee Year*

At the close of the Jubilee Year, 6th January, after a special Mass at 6.15 p.m. Fr. Patrick Walsh planted a tree, a symbol of growth.







## CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD



We received 41 entries for the Christmas Crossword of which 30 were all correct. From these we drew for prizes:

The Poor Clares, College Road, Arthur and Ann O'Callaghan, Farranlea Grove.

### *May you have*

- Enough happiness  
to keep you sweet,
- Enough trials  
to keep you strong,
- Enough sorrow  
to keep you human,
- Enough hope  
to keep you happy,
- Enough failure  
to keep you humble,
- Enough success  
to keep you eager,
- Enough friends  
to give you comfort,
- Enough wealth  
to meet your needs,
- Enough enthusiasm  
to look forward,
- Enough faith  
to banish depression,
- Enough determination  
to make each day  
better than yesterday



## *Rest in Peace*

On December 29th Christy Crowley, Farranlea Park, died unexpectedly at Bishopscourt Residential Care, Waterfall. A devoted family man, he will be remembered among F.C.A. colleagues as the Commandant with the superb rifle shot, among neighbours as a gardener with green fingers dedicated to fruit and flowers, among daily Mass goers as a regular attender with his late wife Peggy, among all as a caring friend. To his sons Tom and John, his sisters Renee and Rita, his grandchildren and the wider family circle, we offer our sincere sympathy.

At the Powdermills Nursing Home, Ballincollig, early on Sunday morning 7th January, Kathleen Crowley, School Lane, Glasheen, passed peacefully home to God. A native of Togher, she was buried from the Lough Church. To many Corkonians, she was known as the Ice Cream Cone lady in Woolworths where she spent her working life, rising to top management before the company withdrew from Cork. Kind and courteous, she shared joy with many, young and old. Afflicted with debilitating illness, she bore her cross with great courage and faith. To her brother Austin, her sister Phyllis Healy who with her husband Jack and family cared for Kathleen through so many years of illness, we extend our deepest sympathies. Fe choimirce Mhuire, go raibh so.



**Friendship Club**

Will resume this Monday 15th January at 2.30 p.m.

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

An Open Public Meeting will be held in the Crypt of our church at Dennehy's Cross on Tuesday evening 16th January, commencing at 8.30 p.m. sharp. All welcome. Tea, coffee and refreshments will be available after the meeting.

**Creative Writing**

Courses at Colaiste Stiofain Naofa, contact 4961020, and at Abbey Court House, contact 4300722.

**Bishopstown Community School**

E.C.D.L. Information and enrolment night on Monday 15th January between 7.00-8.00 p.m. Enrolment for all courses on Wednesday 17th January between 7.00-8.30 p.m.

**EMERGENCY NUMBER**

087 - 251 9940

**Faith in Action Group**

A meeting will be held on Monday 15th January, 8.10 to 9.10 p.m. in the Crypt. All are welcome. Matters will include the 2001 Trocaire Lenten Campaign and Refugees and Asylum Seekers.

**Let Go and Let God**

Exploring the spirituality of the 12 step programme. This course is for everyone who wishes to understand more about the spiritual programme which helps millions of people every day. Details from 4502067.

**Bishopstown I.C.A.**

Meeting on Thursday 18th January at 8.00 p.m. in S.M.A. Centre. New members welcome.

**Readings for Sunday 21 January**

Neh.8:2-6. 8-10; Ps. 18;  
1 Cor.12:12-30;  
Lk.1:1-4; 4-14-16.

*Creativity is so delicate a flower that praise tends to make it bloom while discouragement often nips it in the bud. Any of us will put out more and better ideas if our efforts are truly appreciated.*

Alexander F. Osborn.

*Pleasure-seeking is a barren business; happiness is never found till we have the grace to stop looking for it, and to give our attention to persons and matters external to ourselves.*

J.J. Packer.