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Rest in Peace

Helen O'Donovan, 7 Bishopscourt Road was buried on Tuesday 13th November alongside her husband Donal in St. Oliver's Cemetery. Helen and Donal settled in Bishopscourt Road in 1967 and reared a family of four boys and two girls there. They were both on the staff of UCC. Donal died nine years ago and Helen maintained her home as a welcome resting place for her grown up family who were settled in different parts of the country. She died in the care of her son Brian who is a doctor in Caherciveen. Helen played golf and bridge and her many friends from these pastimes at the funeral ceremonies remembered her puckish sense of humour and the great fun she brought to any gathering. She was also a good friend and a great neighbour. She will be missed by her family, Paddy, Dan, Brian, Niall, Mary and Eleanor, her daughters-in-law, grandchildren and her very many friends.



We offer our sincere sympathy to SR. URSULA O'CALLAGHAN, St. Columba's Convent, on the death of her sister-in-law Pauline O'Callaghan.



FROM OUR
**PARISH
TEAM**

Fr Patrick writes

What Will Heaven Be Like?

Each day in the Our Father we pray for the coming of the kingdom: 'Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven.' Do we know what this means? Obviously not, when we consider that we really do not know what heaven will be like for us. Yet, we are given very decided clues. In the Gospel today, Jesus in his misery and death admits a criminal to his kingdom. During his lifetime Jesus had predicted that it would be the outcasts, the prostitutes, the tax collectors, the lepers who would take their places in God's kingdom. Therefore, how important it is to befriend some of those who are on the margins of our society. How awful it would be to arrive at the gates of paradise to be told that we were strangers there, and not known by those who were already enjoying its happiness.

Patrick Walsh

LOCAL SCHOOLS

Congratulations to Maeve Ryan, Leaving Cert. 2001, who has been selected for an entrance scholarship to Trinity College, based on her excellent results. Maeve is now studying English at Trinity. Comhghairdeas Maeve.



SAINTS OF THE WEEK

November 27th - Feast of St. Fergal

Fergal lived first in France and then in Bavaria, where he founded the monastery of Chiemsee. He was appointed bishop of Salzburg around 7543 and died in 784, leaving a reputation for learning and holiness.

November 30th - Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle

St. Andrew from Bethsaida was a disciple of St. John the Baptist when he was called by Jesus. He in turn brought his brother Peter to Jesus. He is said to have suffered martyrdom on this date by crucifixion, but the tradition of an X-shaped cross is much later. Patron Saint of Scotland, Russia, and of fishermen.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our Christian community the following who were baptised recently:

Michelle Josephine Cummins

Jack William Forrest

Abhey Kathleen White

Ryan Gerard O'Leary-Chucks

Rachel Dolores Emma Gardiner Magill

Nicholas O'Sullivan McQuade

Hannah McQuade O'Sullivan

Ryan Cremin Carroll

A baby is God's opinion that the world should go on

Bible Corner



A LETTER FROM PRISON

Letters to and from prisoners are often to the secretary of the prison authorities. This lack of privacy must be extremely demeaning for both the prisoners and their families especially. So, there is something special, almost sacred, about receiving a letter from somebody in prison, no matter what the offence is. By writing, the person in prison is claiming a relationship, is nurturing a bond, sharing a hope, renewing a trust with somebody outside.

Paul was doing all of these things and more when he wrote to the people of Collosal from prison. As we read this weekend, he was pointing out especially the wonder of who Jesus Christ really is and His key role in the divine plan of our own salvation. Paul was linking up with the believers, challenging them and us, in turn, to remain faithful to Jesus as the image of the unseen God. It is an extraordinary exposition of our faith coming not from the pulpit or the classroom, but from a prison.

Paul spent years in prison in Caesarea, Ephesus and finally in Rome, but that never restricted him from preaching about the Lord Jesus. We are the beneficiaries of prison letters.

Bibles that are falling apart are usually read by people that aren't.



NOTICE BOARD

Catechism Study Group

Continues every Wednesday from 8.00 – 9.00 p.m. in the C.P. Centre. Items for discussion include the Sacraments. All welcome.

TAKE NOTE

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Once again the cold and wet days of winter find some of our people in need of fuel. Please send donation, however small, to our clergy or to members of the society.



Handel's Messiah

At the North Cathedral on Saturday 1st December at 8 p.m. performed by the East Cork Choral Society with the Seafield Singers, in aid of the Cathedral building fund. Tickets £10 available at ProMusica, the Cathedral or choral society members.



Highfield Rugby Club – Gala Night

On Friday 30th November. Kicks-off at 7.30 p.m. and consists of an exclusive meal followed by The Aonghus McAnally Show. Tickets may be bought in advance at the club bar or from club members.



INVITATION

Rheumatics

“What are the Different Rheumatic Complaints?” Lecture by Dr. Mark Phelan, Consultant Rheumatologist on Tuesday 11th December in Jurys Hotel at 8 p.m. Adm. free, all are welcome.

Christmas Bazaar

Sunday 2nd December. 2-5 p.m. at Scoil Therese, Murphy's Farm. Christmas fun for all the family – Santa, cakes, books, toys, etc.

God's Word

Readings for Sunday 2nd December

First Reading:

Is.2:1-5. Isaiah gives a prophecy of a time of peace when all people will worship the one God.

Psalm 121

Second Reading:

Rom.13:11-14. Paul advises the Romans to live decent lives.

Gospel:

We're told to stay alert, because we don't know when the Master is coming.

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