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DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

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PARISH WEBSITE LAUNCH



**SATURDAY,
10TH SEPTEMBER**

CRYPT

**7 P.M. (AFTER
6.15 MASS)**

**ALL ARE
WELCOME**

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INVITATION

Our parish website will be live from Saturday, 10th September. It includes important information about the people and activities of the parish. You are invited to explore it at www.dennehycrossparish.ie

There will be a small celebration - to launch the new website and to thank all those who contrib-

uted to its development - in the Crypt on Saturday 10th after 6.15 p.m. Mass. Fr. Tom Hayes, Diocesan Director of Pastoral Planning and former Director of Communications, will speak on the occasion.

Come and see a demonstration of the website and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee.

OUR PARISH PRIEST WRITES

Happy New Year

September can be more like the start of a new year than January. There are new beginnings on all sides. Young children begin school, older ones change teachers, and the young adults move on to third level or to the wider world of work. Many social and recreational groups return to their regular slots after the summer break. Service groups like Meals on Wheels and Vincent de Paul reorganise their schedules and plan for the demands of the autumn and upcoming winter, hoping to be strengthened by the arrival of new committed members.

Here at the Church, the Bulletin committee are already in action with this new format Bulletin. The editor will be pleased to receive reactions, contributions and comments. The liturgy group meets this Monday night and will be recruiting new ministers of Word and of Eucharist shortly. The pastoral council meets again on Monday week. The notice about new altar servers appears elsewhere in this bulletin.

All these are important organisational new beginnings. But there is another beginning that is even more crucial. It concerns each one of us personally. It is the personal check-up on one's priorities. What good am I leaving undone? Or

leaving to others to do? What will be the most important things in my life this autumn, winter and spring? Will my concerns be focussed selfishly on myself, my convenience, my comforts? Or will I reach out generously within family and in the wider community? Will I have the courage to take initiatives for good even though I may be misunderstood?

Where will God fit into my priorities over the coming months? Will I fit him in every day, every week or just when it is convenient? Will I give my weekend worship a higher priority? Will I facilitate anybody's return to weekly Eucharist through sensitive encouragement?

We begin a New Year as a parish family of believers. Now is the opportunity to take stock to make new starts, to accept our responsibility to make God's love present to our world and to keep trust alive in all our hearts.

May the Spirit of the living God awaken in our hearts new seedlings of faith, hope and love that will bear fruit in prayer, worship and service, blossoming into peace, joy and awe in God's presence.

A grace-filled New Year to you and yours



Rest in Peace

Dr. Gerard Mulcahy, Leemount, Carrigrohane, died at Cork University Hospital on 18th June. Dr. Gerard was a native of Wilton Road, son of the late Liam and Dorothy Mulcahy. His death, after a very short illness and at a comparatively early age, came as a terrible shock to his brothers and sisters, and indeed to all of us who knew him. In his professional work he was retained by several companies as medical consultant for staff. We offer our very sincere sympathy to his brothers Brian and Desmond, his sisters Dorothy and Dr. Muriel, and his many friends. His Requiem Mass was concelebrated by a family friend and other priest friends.

Dr. George MacSweeney of The Ridgeway, Bishopstown Avenue, died at St. Patrick's Hospital, Wellington Road, on 23rd June. George was a man of extraordinary talents. He reached the top of his chosen profession as Chief Dental Surgeon at the Southern Health Board. His musical talents were shared with a wide and appreciative audience in the early days of Radio Éireann. He was a thorough gentleman in private life, who never ever sought the limelight for his undoubted talents. He was married to Mary Kearns of Macroom who pre-deceased him. We offer our sympathy to his sons, George and Gerard, daughter-in-law Dolores, grandchildren Laura and Paul, and a wide circle of personal friends. May his gentle soul rest in peace.

Nell O'Donovan, Wilton Gardens, died in St. Finbarr's Hospital on 16th July. Nell and her husband Ger were among the first young couples to set up home in Wilton Gardens fifty years ago, and contributed to making it a friendly community. For Nell, family was central, and the loss of her nineteen year old son Kieran in an accident was a grievous blow. However, in her loss she was sustained by family, friends and faith. She will be remembered for her gentleness, and her membership of the Altar Society. We offer our sympathies to her son Kevin, her grandchildren Paul, Ciara and Karen, her sister May, brother

Jimmy, as well as to the wider circle of family and friends, especially to Eileen O'Mahony. Fé choimirce Mhuire, go raibh sí.

Breda Murphy, Wilton Gardens, died peacefully at Cork University Hospital in the early hours of Tuesday 19th July. Breda was a member of the Ellis family, Old Blackrock Road. She was a lady whose personality instinctively merited respect. She liked her game of Bridge, even when her health seriously impaired her mobility. She is sadly missed by her husband Stephen, her family Bernard, Kevin, Deirdre and Stephanie, her brother David and her grandchildren and in-laws, to whom we extend the sympathy of our parish community, not forgetting her many friends in Ardmore, which she regarded as her second home. May her gentle soul rest in peace.

IN SYMPATHY

We offer our sincere sympathy to:

DICK CROSS, Wilton Gardens, on the death of his sister, Patricia Dennehy.

To BARRY HEFFERNAN, Farranlea Park, on the death of his brother, Jim.

To JOE FORAN, Farranlea Park, on the death of his brother-in-law Joseph Breen, (only a few months after his wife, Elizabeth Foran-Breen).

To EDDIE HANLEY, Laburnum Lawn, on the death of his brother, Paddy,

To JOHN HEANEY, Leesdale, on the death of his brother, Michael.

To MAUREEN NOTT, Farranlea Grove, on the death of her sister, Finola Mullins.

To DONAL STRITCH, Cherrygrove, on the death of his father, Patrick.

To the SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH'S CONVENT on the death of Sr. Zita Buckley.

To DES NANGLE, Model Form Road, on the death of his wife, Eileen.

To SR. COLETTE MARIE, Poor Clare Convent, on the death of her father.

WELL DONE TO OUR MINISTER OF THE WORD

Laura Hurley, Wilton Avenue, a student of Mount Mercy College and a Minister of the Word at this church, was one of the three

Cork students to obtain 9 A1 grades in this year's Leaving Cert. We congratulate Laura and all the Leaving Cert. students in the parish: we wish them every blessing in their future studies and careers.

NOTICE BOARD

Crypt Bridge Club

The Club will re-open on Tuesday 6th September at 2.00 p.m. sharp. New members welcome. Tea/coffee and biscuits supplied.

Male & Female Volunteers Wanted

ISPC are currently recruiting volunteers for our activity based mentoring programme, including anything from guitar lessons to soccer training. This is a fun, flexible opportunity to support young people in Cork and share your interests. Training provided. For further information please contact 021 4962949.

Bishopstown Senior Social Centre

The Centre reopens on Monday 5th September at 2.30 p.m., with dancing, computers, exercises, games, etc. Contact Roger Coughlan at 087-3866975.

Coeliac Society

The Southern Branch meeting will take place on Tuesday 6th September in the SMA Centre, Wilton, at 8.00 p.m. New cookery book launch, and bone density will be discussed with dietician and visiting research nurse. All welcome.

GOD'S WORD

Readings for Sunday, 11th September

First Reading: Eccles. 27:30-28.7.

Psalm: 102

Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9.

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35.

ALTAR SERVERS

We invite boys and girls who have already made First Communion to join our team. On alternate weekends, a boy or girl serves at a time arranged in consultation with parents. Please contact Mercedes Cunningham at 4544413, or any of the priests. Training will take place later on Saturdays between 1.00 and 2.00 p.m.