

Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

11th June 2006

The Most Holy Trinity

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God's Word

Readings for Sunday
18th June

First Reading:
Ex. 24:3-8

Psalm 115

Second Reading:
Heb. 9:11-15

Gospel:
Mt. 14:12-16



A special candle is
lit in the church
each day for our
examination
students.

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THE DEAN WRITES



A SENSE OF DECENCY IN OUR RELATIONSHIPS

For the past few weeks the media generally has been regurgitating one of their favourite themes - Sex - sex between youngsters and elders, and sex between teens. The painful truth is - it happens. Of course everybody is rightly outraged that older people should take advantage of youngsters in this matter. However, our political leaders might be giving the impression that young people in their later teens might be excused from transgressions in this score - not so. Responsibility and respect must be at the core of all human relationships, and this includes the God-given beautiful and highly emotional relationship between the sexes.

St. Paul spelled it out bluntly in the second reading of last Sunday's Mass (Pentecost Sunday). He says: "Where self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility, feuds and bad temper, envy and drunkenness - those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God."

On the other hand, those who are guided by the Spirit of God bring results of a very different kind: love, joy, peace and kindness, gentleness and self-control, and a fine sense of decency." The choice is yours. I pray that - whatever age group you belong to - you will be able to look back on this time with a sense of joy and freedom - with thanksgiving in your heart for all God's gifts and blessings - which includes your sexuality.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION SUNDAY NEXT 18th June



The Parish Group assembles near Proby's Restaurant at 3.30 p.m. and walks over South Gate Bridge to Daunt Square. All are invited to participate. Preacher: Bishop Patrick Lynch, Auxiliary Bishop of Southwark.

Bishop Lynch, whose mother lives at Dennehy's Cross, will celebrate the 10.30 a.m. Mass next Sunday.

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Fran Barry of Bishopscourt Hill was laid to rest in the quiet cemetery at Ovens on May 22nd last, only just over two years after the death of her mother, Bridie King, whom she had cared for in her own home. A Belfast woman, from a highly musical and talented family, Fran had only recently retired after many years of service as a Maths teacher in Scoil Mhuire, when she was told that she had a serious brain tumour. She battled with it bravely for a few months, and was able to remain in her home until the end. With great faith and courage and faithful support from Paddy, her husband, her daughter Una and her sons Conor and Brian, and her sisters and brothers, Fran planned her own funeral liturgy, readings and music. A quiet and unassuming woman, Fran will be missed greatly by her family, but also by a large number of friends and neighbours. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a h-anam dílis.

Margaret McMahon, of Parkway, Model Farm Road, was buried from her native Blackpool last week. A native of Millfield Cottages, she was always proud of her Northside links. Margaret was a lively assertive person who involved herself in many activities, especially those dealing with care of the elderly. A founder member of Coffa House, and of the Westgate Centre, she was also a staunch member of the Friendship Club. She was in the process of recuperating from an operation on her knee when she passed away suddenly in Clifton Nursing Home. She is mourned by her sons, Pat, Timmy and Niall, her daughters Imelda and Sheila, grandchildren, relatives, neighbours and friends. May she have eternal rest.



ANNUAL PENTECOST INTER-CHURCH SERVICE

This year's service took place in the Crypt on 1st June at 8.00 p.m. and, as in previous years, it consisted of hymns, Old and New Testament readings, prayers of intercession, exchange of Sign of Peace, and a joint blessing. Present were Dean Michael Burrows, Bishop-Elect, Cashel and Ossory, Rev. Geraldine Gracie, Methodist community, Rev. John Faris, Presbyterian Community, Rev. George Hilliard, Church of Ireland Chaplain, UCC, Fr. Christy Fitzgerald, Diocesan Director of Ecumenism, Fr. Tom Clancy, P.P. and Dean Denis O'Connor. Fr. Declan Mansfield presided and Elaine Gordon was accompanist to our visitors from the various communities as well as our own parishioners.

Dean Burrows inspired and entertained us in his homily on the Feast of Pentecost in a very personal revelation of his thoughts as he is about to take up his new appointment in Cashel and Ossory. Fr. Clancy led all present in a moving Intercession Prayer to the Holy Spirit to bless, guide and encourage Dean Burrows in his new appointment.

The evening concluded with light refreshments and an opportunity to meet in a very cordial atmosphere. The event was organised by the Parish Liturgy Group.

Bible Corner

SPEAK IN MY NAME



To speak in another's name is a very serious responsibility. Next-of-kin speak in the name of a seriously ill relative. Trade union leaders speak in the name of their members. Presidents speak in the name of their countries. Some times people speak in the name of others without any right to do so.

In this weekend's gospel, Jesus tells his disciples to baptise in the name of God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. As baptised believers, we share in the inner life of the Trinity and so as members of the family, we are not only entitled but empowered to share in the building up of God's people.

We are to be witnesses to God's love shared with us by living in love of each other, Glory be to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Fr. Tom Clancy

Notices

Annual Open-Air Masses

Parkway/Leesdale: Saturday 17th at 7.30 p.m.
Wilton Gardens: Thursday 22nd at 7.30 p.m.

A big welcome awaits you all

Bulletins to the Homes

Bulletins will be delivered to all homes in the parish next weekend.

Pastoral Council

Meeting this Monday 12th in the Parish Centre at 8.10 p.m.

Crypt Bridge Club.

Open Bridge from Tuesday 6th June until end of August, 2.00 p.m. – 4.30 p.m. approx. Tea/coffee and biscuits supplied. All are welcome.

Sacred Heart Novena

Sacred Heart Church, 15th-23rd June, 10.00 a.m. and 8.00 p.m. daily. All Night Vigil on Friday 23rd June.

Golden Congratulations

To Bobby and Kay Rearden of Farranlea Grove, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently.



Comhghairdeas Don Dochtúir Nua!

Comhghairdeas mór dár bParóisteánach **Pádraig Tyers**, ó Ascall Bhaile an Easpaigh.

Bronnadh Céim onóir Doctúrachta air i rith na seachtaine seo caite, toisc a shaothair mór ar son na Gaeilge I gColáiste Ollscoile Chorcaí. Móraimid é.

Congratulations to parishioner, **Pádraig Tyers**, recently conferred with an honorary Doctorate by U.C.C. for many years of service to the Irish Language.