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DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

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God's Word

Readings for Sunday 11th
October

Frist Reading: Wis 7:7-11

Psalms 89

Second Reading: Heb
4:12-13

Gospel: Mk 10:17-30

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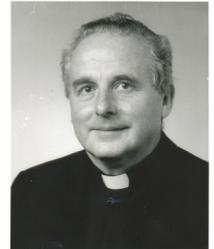
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ENHANCING LIFE



The cornerstone of lasting happiness is to believe that one is uniquely loveable, precious beyond compare all through one's life. This belief is based on the fact that this is how God made each of us, you and me, special to him and to each other, each in our own individual way. To be able to believe this is a wonderful blessing. To be open to receive this blessing, most of us need to be accepted, recognised, appreciated and treasured especially by those closest to us in family and in our social network. If such experiences are missing, this fundamental belief may wither and die or, even, not take root at all. Belittling, defaming sarcasm can undermine one's belief in one's value with horrendous results. Of course, it is a belief that can be undermined by mental illness or trauma such that competent medical intervention is needed urgently. Sometimes, grievous suffering for all concerned follows through nobody's fault.

But usually, in small ways or big ways we nurture or whittle away this belief in ourselves and in each other. Which do I do daily by word, by action or by inaction? Do I always enhance the value of life by how I live?

This Sunday is a reminder of how precious life is, each one's life. It is a call to be ever alert to protect and enrich each and every human life. The awesomeness of the responsibility must not put us off the task.

Fr Tom

Day for Life Prayer

We thank you Lord for the gift of life.
Help us to appreciate the unique dignity
of every human person and the individual
contribution they make to the world,
in fulfilment of the task you give them.
Enable us by your grace to promote
their well-being, serving you in one another
in spirit of generosity,
through Christ Jesus Our Lord.

Amen

In Sympathy

We offer our sincere sympathy to **Denis Murphy**, Laburnum Park, on the death of his brother Mossie in Drimoleague.

BIBLE CORNER



NOT A LETTER

At most weekend Masses, the second reading is taken from the letters of St. Paul or James or John. Over several of the coming weekends this second reading will be taken from the Book of Hebrews which was originally a spoken homily that was later written down and circulated among the early Christian communities. So it is meant to be listened to rather than read. You can hear the enthusiastic preacher rousing up his people with news of who Jesus is and what his coming means for us.

For instance, this weekend's reading highlights that Jesus, Son of God, who died for us has returned in glory to the Father, bringing us with him through making us his brothers and sisters.

Will our hearts well up with pride and security in what the brother has done for each of us? Read the passage aloud for yourself and listen to it with the heart at Mass this weekend.

Fr. Tom

NOTICE BOARD

Bishopstown Community School.

Evening classes in Digital Photography beginning 19th October for eight weeks; Christmas Flower Arranging beginning 10th November for four weeks and Enhanced Beauty beginning 11th November for four weeks. Please contact the school at 4869310.

Mobile Phone Lessons for Seniors

Coaching for Seniors will resume on Wednesday 7th October at 1.00pm. Contact Roger Coughlan at 086-3866975.

Fundraiser for Cois Tine and NASC

International Senior Choir from Georgia USA, Concert Performance at Trinity Presbyterian Church (off McCurtain St) on Tuesday 6th October at 8pm. Adm. free - a collection in support of the work of Cois Tine and NASC with immigrants in Cork will be made.

Bishopstown Community Council meeting will take place Tuesday 13th October at Wilton Park House, Wilton, at 8.00pm. Anyone with an issue or event in the area that they would like to discuss is welcome to come along. This is an open meeting for all interested parties, individuals, clubs, organisations etc. We look forward to a good attendance and lively debate.

Christian Response to HIV/AIDS in Africa

Public Lecture in Room 6, West Wing, UCC on Thursday 8th October at 7.30pm. Speaker Sr. Dr. Miriam Duggan FMSA. Limited space, please book in advance by telephoning 4545704 or emailing mscpromotion@eircom.net

Careers and Opportunities Fair at CIT Tuesday 6th October from 11.00 to 3.00pm in Nexus, CIT Student Centre. The Fair will feature a range of national and international companies, local businesses and a range of voluntary organisations.

Congratulations to those who were married in our Church in the past few months:

Jason Keane and Claire Buckley
James Tobin and Adrienne Murphy
Martin McNamee and Claudia Kiely
Liam Tyers and Lucia Hyde
Eoin Hawthorne and Sharon Walsh



THIS WEEKEND'S PSALM

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