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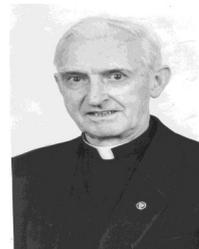
CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

6th June 2010

The Body and Blood of Christ

No. 1044

THE DEAN WRITES



God's Word

Readings for Sunday 13 June

First Reading
2 Sam 12:7-10,13

Psalm 31

Second Reading
Gal 2:16, 19-21

Gospel@
Lk 7:36-8:3

A THOUGHT FOR FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Just a few months ago I had occasion to attend the funeral of a neighbour's child. He wasn't really a child - he was a third level student at U.C.D. who did die in a very tragic accident at his own home. When the coffin was lowered into the grave his mother slipped up to the edge and threw a single red rose on his coffin. Then she turned around and burst into floods of tears. I have no doubt she will remember her son until the day when she goes to meet him in heaven. That rose was a symbol of love, and appreciation and gratitude. And it speaks those words not to the bystanders, but to the one who threw that rose on the coffin. That rose speaks not just for that day, but for the days and weeks and years that have gone before and will follow - and the complicated mixture of regret, and guilt, and loss, and love when we lose someone precious to us.

The feast of Corpus Christi (Body of Christ) reminds us of special occasions as we go through life - your wedding day, for us priests our ordination day, First Holy Communion, and ultimately back to the Last Supper. The Red Rose is just a symbol of somebody extra special, which is beyond words. Our feast of Corpus Christi brings present into our everyday lives the real active love of Jesus for you and for me. He promises to be with us every step of the way as we go through life. He nudges us too to remember what he did when he first promised to give us himself in the Blessed Eucharist. He had just fed five thousand people. His friends had told him there was no way they could cater for this massive crowd in the countryside, and urged him to send them away home - his response was: give them something to eat yourselves. He says the same to us today when our neighbour goes hungry and cold: "Give them something to eat yourselves". Hospitality was a badge of the early Christians, and indeed of the Lord himself. It should be ours too.

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The annual **EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION** will take place today 6th June leaving the Cathedral at 3.00pm arriving at Daunt's Square approx. 3.40pm.

Preacher will be Fr. Noel O'Sullivan, P.P. Glanmire

Please take a copy of the Bulletin home
or give it to a friend or neighbour

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Rest in Peace

We offer our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Aileen McNamara, BishopsCourt Avenue, who died during the week. Ar dheis Dé go raibh sí.

NOTICE BOARD

Interested in Exploring your Faith?

If you are interested in exploring your faith and looking at new ideas about ministry together, why not join the new diocesan *Pathways: Exploring Faith and Ministry* programme starting in September. For full details see the Pathways poster on the church notice board or contact Fr. Sean O'Sullivan at 7336053, or email are@corkandross.org

Farranlea

The Farranlea district Mass will take place on Wednesday 9th June at 7.30pm on the green. Everybody is invited to join the celebration.

Special Collection

The Franciscan Missioners of Mary will have a special collection after Masses next weekend 12th/13th June, and will give a short talk on their missionary activities.

Summer Bridge

The Crypt Bridge Club will run **Open Bridge** for the months of June and July in aid of St. Vincent de Paul. All welcome.

Charity Concert

At 8.00pm on 11th June in the Quad at U.C.C. in aid of Brú Columbanus. Brian Kennedy with guest soprano Fiona Murphy will perform with the Garda Band. Tickets available at Brú Columbanus, tel. 4345754.

Marymount Hospice Annual Sunflower Collections

June 11th & 12th. We require collectors if people could give us an hour or two to raise much needed funds to maintain the Hospice and Hospital. If you would like to do so please contact 087-6885667.

Cork City Marathon Monday 7th June

Wilton Road and Model Farm Road will be closed to traffic from 10.30am to 2.30pm (times approximate).

East Cork Pilgrimage to Lough Derg.

June 19th to 21st. Departs Midleton at 5.20am. Returns via Knock. Cost €90. Contact Mary 461 3236/087-6418313.

God, Are You Really Real?

*I want to believe
I want to be true
I want to be loyal
and faithful to You,
But where can I go
when vague doubts arise
and when evil appears
in an angel's disguise
while clamouring voices
demand my attention
and the air is polluted
with cries of dissension.
You know, God, it's easy
just to follow the crowd
who are 'doing their thing'
while shouting out loud
gross protestations
against the 'old rules'
that limit and hamper
the new freedom schools...
God, answer this prayer
and tell me the truth -
are YOU really the God
of both Age and of Youth?
And, God speak to my heart
so I truly feel
that these 'prophets' are false
but YOU ARE REALLY REAL!*

H.S. Rice

Congratulations



We send our best wishes to Denis Joseph Healy and Sharon Tracey Cusack who were married recently.

WEEKEND PSALM

The Body and Blood of Christ - Year C

Patrick Killeen

