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SUNDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2001

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Pharisees fault was not gratitude for doing good but contempt for those less successful, a lack of humility before the grace of God. Paul too could 'boast' and give thanks that he had kept the faith, but he recognised that this had not been simply his own doing but because 'the Lord stood by me'. We too should thank God for any good we have been able to do. It is with his help that we do it, and it gives us no grounds for complacency or a sense of superiority

ON WISDOM!

Last week I quoted from the Book of Proverbs, this week I plan to continue on the same vein. I don't wish to put them in any order except to follow in a themeless fashion to give a flavour of what is in what is often a neglected book in the Bible. Chapter 9 closes with the words "Stolen waters are sweet, and bread tastes better when eaten in secret".

Chapter 10 goes on with the proverbs attributed to Solomon. In 10:5, we read "Reaping at harvest-time is the mark of the prudent, sleeping at harvest-time is the sign of the worthless" Verse 7 continues "The upright is remembered with blessings, the name of the wicked rots away." V8 "the wise heart takes orders, but the gabbling fool heads for ruin." In V12 we read "Hatred provokes disputes, but love excuses all offences. This is one we could all make use of as we go about our lives. Think of the conflicts throughout the world, Northern Ireland, Afganistan, Israel, and many other troubled places throughout the world.

In V23 we read "A fool takes pleasure in doing wrong, the intelligent in cultivating wisdom." V24 goes on "What the wicked fears overtakes him, what the upright desires comes as a present." Chapter 11:13 goes "A tittle-tattler lets secrets out, the trustworthy keeps things hidden."

In V22 we read "A golden ring in the snout of a pig is a lovely woman who lacks discretion." In 12:10 "The upright has compassion on his animals, but the heart of the wicked is ruthless."

Chapter 13 begins "A wise child listens to a father's discipline, a cynic will not listen to reproof." V3 reads "A guard over the mouth makes life secure, whoever talks too much is lost."

I love this one in V12 "Hope deferred makes the heart sick, desire fulfilled is a tree of life." In other words Hope. In chapter 14:14 "The miscreant will reap the reward of his conduct, and the good the reward of his deeds". V23 reads "Hard work always yields its profit, idle talk brings only want."

I close chapter 14 with the words "To oppress the weak insults the Creator, kindness to the needy honours the Creator."

Fr. Pat

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

PRIEST:

We turn to God with all our needs, remembering that the Lord is close to the broken-hearted.

READER:

For bishops and all religious leaders that they may lead God's people with humility.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For victims of injustice and inequality that they may receive the respect that is their due.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who feel they are powerless, that they may realise that God is on their side.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For all the sick, particularly people near death that their faith in a loving God may be their comfort. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For Christians whose life on earth is over that the crown of righteousness may be theirs.

Lord, Hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our own needs and for those who have asked for our prayers. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

PRIEST:

Compassionate God, you rescue your people in all their distress, hear the prayers we make humbly, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

SO THAT THE MESSAGE MIGHT BE PROCLAIMED (SECOND READING)

St. Paul gives thanks that the Lord stood by him "the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear" (Second Reading) Proclaiming the whole message is a task for every local community and every individual.

The whole Church and everyone in it is called to be missionary

This poor man called; the Lord heard him.

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Sunday 28th October 2001

BAPTISMS

WE WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY ALL THOSE WHO WERE BAPTISED RECENTLY Kate Hannah Higgins, 81, Maple Lawn Cara Sophie Desmond, 25, Bridgewater Ben David Cahill, 54, Beech Road Robert O'Donovan, 13, The Groves, Wyndham Downs Joseph Damien Linehan John Barry O'Driscoll, 42, Beech Park

MARRIAGES

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IN SYMPATHY

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF: Maureen McSweeney, Poulavone Margaret O'Leary, Ovens & Dripsey

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Peter O'Shea, Bishopstown Joan & Con Donovan, Curragh Road Philip Moynihan, Kilnaglory Patrick Power, Waterford Terry McCarthy, Castle Park Morgan O'Callaghan, Kanturk Agnes & John Handley, Dublin Michael Horne, Longsland, U.S.A. Dan & Mary O'Leary, Doneraile The Reilly Family Liam Farrell, Maglin John Sheehan, Coachford Garrett O'Shea, Mallow Pat & Mary Twomey, Ballyburden Michael O'Sullivan, New York Nora & Patrick Riordan, Ballingeary James O'Sullivan, Kilmichael Nora Burns, Leemount Paddy & Noreen Green Denis & Mary O'Mahony Holy Souls David Spillane, Magazine Road William O'Dwyer, Kilmichael Dan O'Callaghan, Clash Cross, Carrigrohane

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SAINTS THIS WEEK

29 Monday - St. Colman, hailed from Kilmacduagh, Co. Clare in the 7th century. After studying in Aran, where he founded two churches on Inis Mhór, he returned to become a hermit near Kinvarra. Induced later to undertake the monastic life he made a foundation at Kilmacduagh

He is said to have been its first abbot and bishop

31 Wednesday - Cloyne: Blessed Dominic Collins, was born around 1566 in the city of Youghal, Co. Cork. In 1598, after military career, he entered the Society of Jesus as a Brother. He returned to Ireland in 1601, but on 17 June 1602 he was captured by the English, who tried in vain to make him abjure his faith. Condemned to death, he was hanged in his native city on 31 October 1602.

3 Saturday - St. Malachy, was born near Armagh in 1094. He became vicar of Ceallach, the reforming bishop of Armagh and he continued this work of reform as bishop of Connor and as abbot and later bishop of Armagh. He introduced the Cistercians and the Canons Regular into Ireland. Returning to Ireland from a visit to Rome in 1148 he revisited Clairvaux, where he caught fever and died in the arms of Bernard on 1/2 November. Both are buried together

TWENTY-NINTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME 28 Sunday Sir. 35:15-17, 20-22, Ps. 33, 2 Tim. 4:6-8, 16-18, **Lk. 18:9-14.** Lect I:925

The Pharisee came before God trusting in his own virtue which was genuine enough. The tax-collector knew that he was a sinner and threw himself on God's mercy. The Pharisee sang his own praises, the tax-collector sang the mercies of the Lord.

29 Monday Rom. 8:12-17. Ps. 67. Lk. 13:10-17. *Lect II:388* The vocation of the whole human race is to be children of God. The Spirit is the principle of divine life in us, making us into the image of the Son.

30 Tuesday Rom. 8:18-25. Ps. 125. Lk. 13:18-21. *Lect II:390* "At the very heart of Christianity is the conviction that suffering and glory are intimately related. There can be no glory without suffering. The reason for this is sin, which introduced distortion and alienation and corruption into the world. These cannot be removed without the pain of a correcting reversal of the world's direction. Paul speaks of this pain and suffering here, but he wants to begin on a positive note by stressing the coming glory as of surpassing value". E.H. Maly, N.T. Message no. 9, Veritas

31 Wednesday Rom. 8:26-30. Ps. 12. Lk. 13:22-30. *Lect II:3*92 The final destiny of Christians who put their faith in Christ is eternal glory. But it is the Spirit who gives the grace to each to make progress. God's purpose and plan is behind all that happens to Christians.

1 Thursday Apoc. 7:2-4,9-14. Ps. 23. 1 Jn. 3:1-3. Mt. 5:1-12. Lect II:1244 All Saints We celebrate not only the canonised saints but all the dead who have reached fulfilment, including our relatives and friends. They are the fruit of the paschal mystery; they have reached holiness through the gospel teaching of the Sermon on the Mount. May we also share in their company.

2 Friday Readings are chosen from the Lectionary for the Dead Lect III:849 "The Church offers the eucharistic sacrifice and its own intercession for the dead not only at their funerals and anniversaries but also in the yearly remembrance of all the sons and daughters of the Church who sleep in Christ. The Church seeks to help the faithful departed by earnest prayer to God for their entry into the communion of saints in heaven.' Ceremonial of Bishops, nns 395-396

3 Saturday Rom. 11:1-2. 11-12. 25-29. Ps. 93. Lk. 14:1.7-11 *Lect II:397* In early times the Jews were the only chosen people. By now in the time of "election" the time of the Gospel, the gentiles as well as the Jews are called. But the Jews have rejected Christ and become the enemies of God, while the gentiles are converted. Paul's belief is that this alienation of the Jews is only temporary.

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LIFE AFTER DEATH

November is a month in which the Church reminds the Faithful of our dead. It calls on the praying Church on earth to offer prayer and sacrifice for those who have gone before us in the sign of Faith. There is a danger today that people can believe that our departed relatives may not need our prayers, but this danger must be avoided. Death, for many, is a fearful event because it precedes the judgement. Jesus spoke very clearly and consistently about a final judgement. The judgement spoken of by Jesus is not to be understood as a once-and-for-all event in the future. God's judgement is already at work in the present, calling us to live lives in harmony with our nature as children of God.

If we see God's judgement as acting also in the present, death will lose its fearful significance. St. John does not use the term 'hell' but speaks of punishment in terms of darkness and exclusion from God. St. Paul does not use any fiery images but speaks of eternal destruction and banishment from the face of God Hell is the final loss of God's life and friendship. But already in life we can exclude ourselves from friendship from God. In life, however, there is hope of change. We can once again respond to God's love. Jesus tells us that Heaven is the reward of the virtuous. It is the complete fulfilment; it is what we were created for. Judgement, Hell and Heaven are not events that occur after death; they already begin here when we answer yes or no to God's invitation to love Him.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

HOLY SOULS NOVENA

2nd to 12th November

EXTRA WEEK DAY MASS Christ Our Light 6.30p.m. St. Mary & St. John 8.00p.m.

CEMETERY BLESSING & MASS Cemetery adjoining St. Mary & St. John Saturday 3rd November at 3p.m.

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

1st November 2001

Today we remember all the saints who share the happiness of heaven. We are called to be saints by becoming children of God, by becoming more like our Father. This is our greatest possible fulfilment. It begins already, if we ourselves be moulded by the Beatitudes.



Sunday 28th October 2001

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ST. MARY & ST. JOHN

Masses

Sunday: 8.30, 10.00, 12.00 **Mon & Tues:** 9.30am **Wed:** 9.30am, 6pm (Vigil) **Thur:** 8.30am, 10, 12, 8pm **Fri:** 9.30am, 8.00pm **Saturday:** 10.00, 6pm

(Vigil)

Confessions

Saturday: after 10am Mass before 6pm Mass

Baptisms

Saturday: 5.00pm **Sunday:** 12.45pm

EACH SUNDAY

ROSARY RECITED AT BOTH CHURCHES EACH SUNDAY 3.00P.M.

Everyone most welcome

FRIDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 2001 (First Friday)

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Church of St. Mary & St. John Following 9.30a.m. Mass

Concluding with Rosary & Benediction at 7.40p.m.

& Mass 8.00p.m.

CHRIST OUR LIGHT

Masses

Sunday: 11.00, 12.30, 5.30pm **Mon& Tues:** 8.30am **Wed:** 8.30am, 8pm (Vigil) **Thur:** 11am, 12.30pm 6.30pm **Fri:** 8.30am, 6.30pm

Fri: 8.30am, 6.30pm **Saturday:** 10am, 8.pm (Vigil)

Confessions

Saturday:

after 10am Mass

Baptisms

Saturday: 7.15pm

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JOYCE

On behalf of my family I sincerely thank all who have sympathised with us on the death of our father, Fred Joyce, I particularly thank Fr. Leonard O'Brien for making the journey to Dublin to concelebrate the Funeral Mass.

May God be with ye,

Philip Joyce

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions

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THE LORD IS HOLY

The Lord is King!

all nations stand in awe at his presence!

He sits between the guardian angels.

Let the whole earth tremble

Before the majesty of your persuasiveness.

Let all peoples hallow your holy name,

Because integrity is found in all you do.

Let all humanity bow before you in worship.

You, Lord, my king, are holy,

With a holiness beyond all my experience.

I have only images of your essence

Within the limits of my mind;

The purity of a mountain stream,

The path of the clouds,

The star-studded sky,

the falling of the pristine snow.

I ask for the sense of your holiness

To pervade my being.

I ask to be touched

With a spark of your fire.

'Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Reflection from Psalm No. 99

A PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

For it is in giving that we receive

in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and in dying that we are born to eternal life.

NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS:

Wis. 11:22-12:2. Ps. 144. 2 Thess 1:11-2:2. Lk. 19:1-10. The Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost

EACH DAY A CHANCE TO DO BETTER

How often we wish for another chance to make a fresh beginning, A chance to blot out our mistakes and change failure into winning-And it does not take a special time to make a brand new start It only takes the deep desire to try with all our heart To live a little better and to always be forgiving And to add a little 'sunshine' to the world in which we're living-So never give up in despair and think that you are through, For there's always a tomorrow and a chance to start anew.

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IN COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD NOV. 3RD/4TH

ST. MARY & ST. JOHN CHRIST OUR LIGHT

6.00p.m.(Vigil) -Sorcha Walsh 8.30a.m. -Marian Daly 10.00a.m. -Declan Chalmers 12 Noon -Brendan Daly

8.00p.m.(Vigil) -Pauline Collins 11.00a.m. -Noreen O'Riordan 12.30p.m. -Marlyn O'Connor 5.30p.m. -Billy O'Sullivan



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST 3rd /4th November 2001 ST. MARY'S & ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

SATURDAY 3RD 6p.m.
Aisling Kelly
April Ryan
Eileen Murphy
Ted Nelligan
Angela Murphy
Ann O'Connell

SUNDAY 4TH 8.30a.m. Helen Kelly Roddy Martin

10a.m. Miriam Maunsell Joan Tobin Breda Ring Jerry O'Connor 12.00 Noon Louie O'Leary Mary Buckley John Walshe Pat Kelleher Irene O'Brien Ellen O'Sullivan

CHRIST OUR LIGHT CHURCH

SATURDAY 3RD 8p.m. Maire Uí Crualaoí Marion O'Sullivan Anne O'Connell SUNDAY 4TH 11a.m. Seamus O'Connell Mary O' Connell Finbarr Murray Alan O'Riordan

12.30p.m.
Eileen O'Donoghue
Jackie Sheehan
Anne Burke
Mary Green
Michael O'Leary

5.30p.m. Catherine Green Mary Breen Siobhan Burke

Sunday 28th October 2001

The Apostolate of Our Lady of Fatima, Cork MONTHLY DEVOTIONS MASS AND HOLY HOUR

IN REPARATION TO



The Sacred Heart of Jesus and The Immaculate Heart of Mary

ST. MARIES OF THE ISLE

Date: Monday 29th October 2001 Ti

Time: 7.30p.m.

Conducted by: Fr. J. Power, OSA, New Ross

All Welcome

'In the end my Immaculate Heart will triumph' (Our Lady of Fatima)

Ballincollig Senior Citizens Club Ltd. Social Services & Community Care EIST - BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT AND COUNSELLING SERVICES

will be organising a six week course on Bereavement Support Date: 30th October to 4th December 2001 at 134, Castle Park Time: 7.30p.m. to 9.30p.m. Fee: £20 per participant

What is EIST?

Eist Bereavement Support and Counselling Services is help for those who are suffering grief and pain due to loss in their lives. Feelings of confusion, isolation, loneliness, guilt, disbelief, numbness, shock, depression and anger are all part of grieving.

Who is it for?

All who have suffered loss through death or separation of a spouse, death of a child, brother, sister, mother, father or any other significant person in their lives. Many other losses e.g. loss of health, emigration, unemployment are also bereavements.

Each one of us need support at this time in our lives so as to be able to find healing and growth through the pain that bereavement brings.

Who are the team?

The EIST Bereavment Support and Counselling Services Team Members are people who have experienced and processed grief and loss in their own lives and are trained to facilitate others who are grieving.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mary Collins - Tel. 4873648 EIST Bereavement Support & Counselling Co-ordinator

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- Are the batteries changed regularly?
- When did you last have your chimney cleaned?
- Are all open fires protected by a fireguard at all times?
- Are all plugs fused and properly fitted?
- Are sockets overloaded?
- As a general rule do you ensure that electrical appliance are plugged out when not in use?
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- Are all flammable liquids and chemicals stored safely?
- Are electric blankets used properly and regularly serviced?
- Do you know what to do if a fire breaks out in your home?
- Have you an escape plan/drill in place for your family?
- Do you practice this fire drill?
- Do you keep escape routes free from obstruction?
- Do you keep matches and lighters away out of childrens reach?
- Have you thought about or have you purchased a fire blanket for your kitchen?
- Do you keep a flashlight beside your bed in case of emergencies?

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Catholic Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne

Cork, Ireland

The Cathedral is located at the junction of Shandon Street, Gerald Griffin Street, Cathedral Road and Roman Street in the historic north side of Cork City. It is the episcopal see of the Catholic Dioceses of Cork and Ross. It has hosted the funerals of Irish freedom fighters at the beginning of the century, the ordinations of priests and bishops to minister throughout the world, and the marriages of countless couples.

The Cathedral was extensively renovated and reordered in 1996 at a cost of over 2.5m Irish pounds (approx. 4m US dollars). It was formally rededicated by Bishop Michael Murphy on Sept. 29th, 1996. This was to be the bishop's last public function and was performed eight days before he died.

The Cathedral's limestone and sandstone belfry reaches into the sky and calls Cork people to pray as they travel in and out of the nearby city centre. The exterior (including the roof) has been restored and repaired; the interior has been remodelled to facilitate contemporary worshipping needs. The new design retains the best of the old and integrates it with the spirit, culture and faith of the people of Cork.



One of the interesting features is the reincorporation of 27 John Hogan statues in pine. They were commissioned by Bishop John Murphy in 1822 from the young Hogan for the reconstructed Cathedral -- after much of the 1808 building was burned in an 1820 fire. Hogan went on to become one of Europe's greatest neoclassical sculptors. These carvings were in storage since the removal of the reredos in the 1960s. They now adorn the main transcept of the Cathedral and are located at the pinnacles of the arches. Left, is a close-up of one of the Hogan carvings

