

PARISH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BALLYROAN NEWSLETTER

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**25th Sunday in Ordinary
Time
26th/27th September 2009**

Young people of Ireland, I love you!

Young people of Ireland, I bless you!

*I bless you in the name of Our Lord
Jesus Christ.*

*Críost liom, Críost romham, Críost i
mo dhiaidh!*

Extract from the homily given by
Pope John Paul II at the Mass in
Galway

In three memorable days, 29 September - 1 October 1979, Pope John Paul II visited Dublin, Drogheda, Clonmacnois, Galway, Knock, Maynooth, Limerick and Shannon. During this time, he delivered several talks, sermons and addresses, including an address to the Irish Government, and a 'special broadcast address to the Sick' on RTÉ radio and television. Among the themes he chose included the call to faith, parenthood, peace and justice, the Eucharist, forgiveness and youth and prayer, all of which still resonate today.

"Pope John Paul came to Ireland on a pastoral visit. His goal was to promote our full well-being by providing solid

and secure points of reference and to assist us in the ongoing conversion that is a central part of Christian life. This he did mainly through his preaching and teaching. His message continues to be relevant today because it is the message of Jesus Christ - who is the same yesterday, today and forever."

- Cardinal Seán Brady

Thank you from Therese began to everybody who supported the coffee morning in aid of our lady's Hospice. Total raised was €3001.40.

Do This in Memory

Enrolment for 1st Communion children will take this Sunday at 12 Mass.

Positive Ageing Week 25th Sept/3rd Oct. 2009

To celebrate positive ageing week, we have arranged for Sr. Carmel Byrne to come and share some positive aspects towards ageing and highlight the contribution that older people have made and continue to make to our community. Tea will be served after Mass in the Baptistry.

Theology Course reminder to all students class resumed last Wednesday 16th September and continues each week at 7.30pm in Colaiste Eanna.

Students please note your fees have been paid until end of December 2009.

Clare and John Whelan would like to express their appreciation and thanks to all members of our community who are so forthcoming with sympathy and support on the tragic death of their beloved son Gerald.

Third Age Social Circle "55 Plus" next meeting in Library will be our AGM at 10.45am on 28th Sept.

Choir

Our church choir has resumed practices after their summer break. New members would be most welcome - especially tenors. Practice is on Mondays nights at 8pm in the church.

Coffee morning held in the Presbytery last Wednesday in aid of **Our Lady's Hospice** raised

€1180. Many thanks for your support, Fr Brendan.

Sympathies

We would like to offer our sympathies to the families of Betty Caffrey, Peggy Foody and Ursula Grumley who's Funerals took place this week. May they rest in peace.

Morning Prayer

Father in heaven, you love me,
You're with me night and day,
I want to love you always,
In all I do and say,
I'll try to please you, Father,
Bless me through the day.
Amen.