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OUR BISHOP COMES TO VISIT



Two years ago, the then newly consecrated Bishop of Auckland, Bishop Denis Browne, promised to visit all his parishes for a weekend, and the last weekend of August saw him eventually make it to Glenfield.

What a pleasure it was to have him amongst us, to have the chance to chat in an informal, down-to-earth manner, and really get to know our Bishop. Most people took the opportunity to stay after Mass, but I suspect that it was our senior parishioners, on Saturday morning, and our children, at Sunday's special liturgy, who shared with him the most.

A few of us were privileged to meet him in the homely atmosphere of the presbytery on Friday evening, to discuss and share with him our role as leaders in the Parish. Bishop Denis strongly reiterated the need for a strong, enthusiastic and prayerful pastoral team, which would support and encourage the good work already being done in the Parish, and establish those groups or committees not already active. He spoke about the need to have links with the Regional Council, and of the Diocesan resources available to us.

Obviously pleased to see that the Renew process was being followed in the Parish, he reminded us that the Holy Spirit would work in the Parish with us, and His benefits would be shared by us all.

Is it too much to hope that, with the combination of goodwill from our Bishop, and graces from the Holy Spirit, that a Pastoral team will again become a reality in Glenfield? We owe it not only to our Bishop, but to ourselves.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



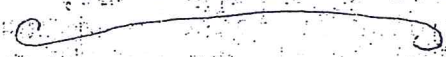
Dear Editor,

I would like to thank the group of parishioners who have transformed our church gardens. Yes, we have noticed!!! and we appreciate your efforts. The gardens are looking picturesque and even the area below the church is being reclaimed from the wilderness. Thank you for your hard work.

Eileen O'Loan

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MERRY MOMENTS



TERMINOLOGY

The owner of a small service station watched the town's highest-priced doctor drive in with a flat tyre.

"Diagnose it as a collapsed aerostatic perimeter" hissed the owner to his attendant, "and charge him accordingly."

FIRST AID

After an accident, a woman rushed out of the gathering crowd and started to lean over the victim. She was pushed aside by a man who directed, "Step back please! I've had a course in First Aid." The woman stood and watched the man's ministrations for a few minutes, then tapped him on the shoulder. "When you get to that part about calling a doctor," she said, "I'm already here."

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A PILGRIM'S JOURNEY TO THE HOLY LAND
AND AROUND THE WORLD IN 42 DAYS

Having been asked by a sprightly young lady (for a photograph of whom see Page 7 of last "More News") to share the experiences of my overseas trip, how could one refuse? Do not expect a journalistic account of my travels, however, or you will be gravely disappointed, but one thing that I would like to make clear is that, while 98% of the story will be true and factual, the other 2% may be just embellishments to lighten what might otherwise become a very tedious repetition. For example, if I were to tell you that, despite what the experts may say, and irrespective of the fact that it has been taught in schools for generations that the world is round, I am quite convinced that it is flat. Why? Because not one single airport at which we landed - Singapore, Rome, London, Tel Aviv, Los Angeles, Honolulu - had any curvature whatsoever. They were all just as flat as our own Auckland terminal.

With that introduction off my plate perhaps we may now get down to the more difficult job of getting up into the air. With hopes and expectations surviving over a period of fifty years "D-day" eventually arrived to go to the local airport to meet, talk to, and "sum up" the other thirty-odd people who were to be my companions on this Pilgrimage Tour to the Holy Land. Although the plane was not scheduled to leave until 1.30 p.m., our "report-in" time was 11.45 a.m. so we had opportunity a-plenty, over tea, coffee and sandwiches kindly supplied by the Tour Directors, to become acquainted. Perhaps at this stage I should mention one or two names - our official Tour Leader and Chaplain was Rev. Father John Goulter SM of Wellington; Tour Co-ordinator, Mrs Lillian Young, also from Wellington; five Sisters of Mercy, three from the South Island and two from Wellington; and finally my room mate for the trip, Gerald, who hailed from Invercargill.

The time passed all too quickly and after saying our good-byes we were threading our way towards the plane. Acknowledge, I must, that at this stage I was a little apprehensive because I had never flown in a jet plane and didn't know just exactly how my old body might react. It was reassuring, therefore, to find that every seat was equipped to cope with motion sickness. The size and capacity of a Boeing 747 is simply amazing and one could be forgiven for wondering how it could ever get off the ground, but rise we did, and with the advantage of a window seat and a glorious afternoon the view below was magnificent. It didn't take long, however, for Auckland to disappear from sight and the Tasman to replace the land.

Flying at a height of 31,000 feet and a speed of 500 miles per hour we soon hit the Australian coast at a point just north of Brisbane. As far as it was possible to tell the scrub and grass were very dry and burnt-looking. However, the monotony was relieved somewhat by the fact that the clouds were casting irregular-shaped shadows on the ground and these, from our lofty position, looked just like lakes dotted over the countryside.

To help pass away the time, two films were shown (one at either end of the aircraft) but it is my firm belief that one was made in 1899 and the other in 1902. In fact I can remember the excitement and the great rejoicing when the former first hit N.Z.

After passing over Darwin, the Timor and South China Seas, we landed in Singapore just after 8 p.m. (local time) having covered the 8,404 miles in great style, with an armchair ride and altogether quite uneventful. (It should be noted that during the flight we had put our watches back four hours to coincide with Singapore time).

The contentment that I felt at not disgracing myself aboard the aircraft was soon shattered at the airport

itself. All the group's bags, except one, were located without trouble but mine was nowhere to be found. Enquiries among the group proved fruitless and Mrs Young came to the conclusion that the bag had either (a) not been taken off the plane or (b) had unlawfully been removed from the conveyor belt, and decided to report the matter to an airport officer. While these investigations were going on, word came from the group that the bag had been located at the bottom of one of the trolleys conveying our bags. My thoughts then turned from "not on the first day, surely" to "Thank you Lord". With everything now complete we were soon on our way and with the weariness of the long flight, the steady hum of the coach's engine and the bright lights flashing past, the call of that comfortable bed in the modern, beautifully-appointed Ming Court Hotel was fast becoming more and more alluring, and even now I may fall asleep before you.

Provided "More News" does not go into liquidation in the meantime, perhaps next month we'll have a quick look at Singapore and then continue our journey to the Eternal City.

Goodnight and God bless you all.

'Katrina Rose'

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GRAFFITI

A sign on a university bulletin board read: "Shoes are required to eat in the cafeteria." Underneath somebody had scribbled: "Socks may eat wherever they wish."

WHO'S WHO

An industrialist was fighting a case in the Tax Court. He looked at the bench and told His Honour, "As God is my judge I do not owe this tax." The judge said, "He's not. I am. You do."

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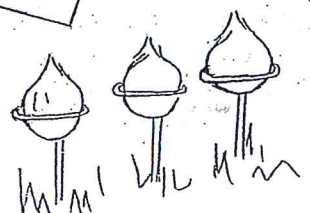
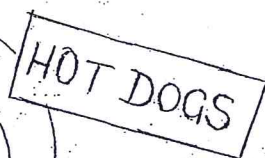
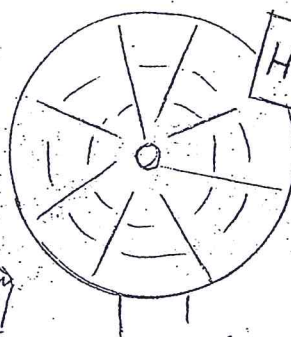
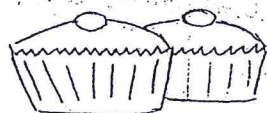
RESUME OF FAIR 1986

Our first wet Fair Day!

Pandemonium! Four o'clock in the morning I was sitting up in bed praying the Rosary but Our Lord had other ideas. Six o'clock Jack tells me I will have to make a decision about the ferris wheel, obviously no point in having it in the pouring rain. The owner gave us till eight o'clock to make a final decision, no deposit required, which I thought was very reasonable. I rang Father Browne and we agreed that, as there was no cost involved, a cancellation would be wisest if the weather did not improve and of course that is what happened. I was sorry to disappoint our young folk but it was out of my hands. We had to do the same with the mini-bikes.

It didn't take me long to decide that I'd have to try and jam everything into the hall, which was a bit dicy as I didn't know if we'd fit. We did, surprisingly well, and the day turned out a great success in spite of the weather. We raised over \$5,000.00 for our church, a truly magnificent effort. A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped and a special thank you to those who were so supportive throughout the organising time. I don't know about you, but I'm ready for a rest now and looking forward to a blessed and peaceful Christmas. Hope we will all receive many graces through the visit of our Pope.

Be in touch next year. Take care.



Gemma



Kids' Page

HI KIDS!

Welcome back to your own special KIDS' PAGE for October.

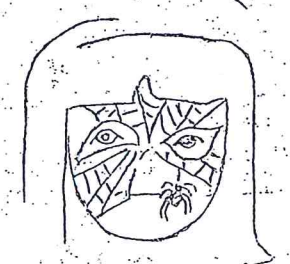
It was good to see so many of you at the Parish Fair on Saturday 20 September. Pity about the weather! The wet ground meant that we couldn't have the mini-bikes but most stalls just moved inside. For those of you who were not there, there was a book stall, toy stall, cakes, sweets, hot dogs, candy floss, coconut shy, even a pancake stall, as well as heaps of others.

I saw quite a few of you when I was working on the face painting stall. First we put a white base on, like clowns have and then on top of that we painted tiger faces and rainbows and clowns and heaps of others. One or two even had really creepy spider webs drawn across their cheeks and forehead. They looked a bit like this:



ANIMAL
FACE

RAINBOW
FACE



SPIDERWEB

If you want to do a bit of face decorating of your own, here's a clown face you can colour in even without the special paints. Don't forget to send in any pictures or stories, jokes or poems for the next KIDS' PAGE. Look for the next closing date in the Sunday notices.

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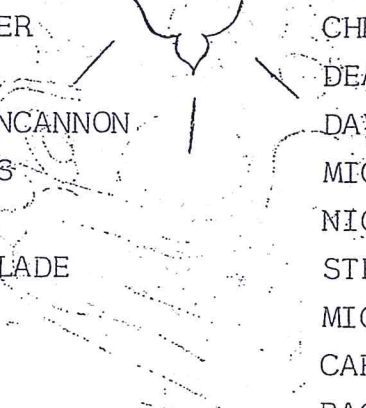


Did you know that there is a Saint's feast day, or Church celebration, for every day of the year? Here is a little story about one of them.

ST LUKE

Luke was a pagan doctor, a good kind man who came to know Our Lord from the great Apostle Paul. After he had become a Christian, he went everywhere with St Paul and was a great help to him in spreading the Faith. In the Bible this holy convert is called: "Luke, the beloved physician." St Luke is the author of two books in the Bible: "The Holy Gospel according to St Luke" and "The Acts of the Apostles". He is the patron saint of doctors and of painters, too, because it is believed that he painted a beautiful picture of our Blessed Lady

One of the highlights of Bishop Browne's visit to our Parish was the Confirmation Ceremony, held during the 10 a.m. Mass, in which thirty of our young adults were confirmed in their faith. They were:



MICHAEL BAKER	CHRISTOPHER READE
KEVIN BLAND	DEAN RHODES
MICHAELA CONCANNON	DAVID RIDGE
ANGELA EVANS	MICHELLE RIDGE
AARON EVANS	NICHOLA RIDGE
MARK GREENSLADE	STEPHANIE RIDGE
FIONA GREY	MICHAEL RUSSELL
PAUL HARROD	CARMEN SMY
GLEN KING	RACHAEL TAYLOR
PHILIP LAURIE	KEVIN TURNER
IAN LINSTROM	BETH WHIBLEY
KELVIN MARRA	KARL WIMMER
VARERIE MARRA	JOHN WOLFGAM
MICHAEL NAYLAN	BRETT WRIGHT
DOUGLAS MOORCROFT	PAUL WRIGHT

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Many things we know that we seldom think of.
But in matters of the Spirit, knowledge without
remembrance is of little profit.

Of what use is it simply to know that God exists,
and to believe in Him through faith and reason?

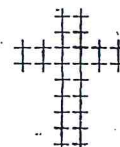
What good is it to know of Him if we never think
of Him?

- St Thomas More

SOME FEAST DAYS FOR OCTOBER

3rd	-	St Theresa of Lisieux (The Little Flower)
4th	-	St Francis of Assisi
7th	-	Feast of the Holy Rosary
15th	-	St Teresa of Avila
16th	-	St Gerard Majella
18th	-	St Luke
24th	-	St Raphael the Archangel
28th	-	Sts Simon and Jude

MARY AND THE SPIRIT



We thank you, heavenly Father,
for having given us Mary
as the model of fidelity
to the law of the Spirit,
of joyous faith and firm commitment
to the Messianic peace.

May your Holy Spirit come upon us
abundantly
and so transform us that we too
may bear fruit in justice,
in love, joy, peace, goodness,
and gentleness
for the life of the world.

O Mary, you were the heart
of the Church
when the apostles awaited
and experienced
the powerful coming of the Holy Spirit.

Pray for us that we may ever more
completely understand and experience
what it means to believe
in the Holy Spirit
and to adore him together with the Father
and the Son. Amen. -Bernard Haring

A LITTLE BIT MORE NEWS

OUR NEW YOUTH GROUP

Recently started, this group meets each Sunday evening in the Bayview Hall from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. People in charge are Paul O'Connor and Gemma Nobile, and so far it's going very well. There is a bit of a question mark over the age of people taking part and at the moment we're keeping it flexible until we see what the need is. The group is open to all from the age of about 11 to 15 or 16 years.

Various activities for the summer months are being considered - perhaps a B-B-Q on one of the local beaches some evening. You may have some suggestions of your own - we'd like to hear them. So kids, if you feel in need of company your own age, here's your chance!

FAMILY LIVING PROGRAMME (C.C.D.)

During the year our four C.C.D. groups have been thinking about three ideas. The main idea is about praying and learning the "Our Father", and now this term we are thinking about the part that says: "Forgive us our sins..."

We have been learning about Pope John Paul II too, and also we have been learning some of the ways we can say the Rosary as Mary our Mother in Heaven wants us to.

Mrs Maria McDonald, who has been a C.C.D. teacher for a long time, has gone to live in Christchurch. We will miss her but say, "God bless you and your family, Maria, and thank you very much!"

Is there somebody out there who could take Maria's group? Contact Father Browne, Elizabeth O'Reilly, Eileen O'Loan, Wendy Nash or Johnny D'Souza.

JOHN GILLESPIE MAGEE

John Gillespie Magee was the son of the Rev. Mr and Mrs Magee of Washington. He was a member of the Royal Canadian Air Force and was killed when only nineteen. In 1939 he won the poetry prize at Rugby that Roupet Brooke had won the year before the First World War (1914). He began his sonnet "High Flight" when flying a spitfire at an altitude of 13,000 feet and finished his poem shortly after he landed his plane.

H I G H F L I G H T

Oh! I have slipped the surly bonds of earth
And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings;
Sunward I've climbed and joined the tumbling mirth
Of sun split clouds - and done a thousand things
You have not dreamed of - wheeled and soared and swung
High in the sunlit silence. Hov'ring there
I've chased the shouting wind along and flung
My eager craft thro' footless halls of air.

Up, up the long, delirious burning blue
I've topped the wind swept heights with easy grace
Where never lark, nor eagle flew -
And while with silent, lifting mind I've trod
The high, untrespassed sanctity of space,
Put out my hand and touched the face of God.

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT?

Have you been MISSING OUT on a GOOD THING?

What would be your vote for the MOST BORING form of prayer?

Is it the Rosary ???...

Why does Mary - Mary herself, ask for this form of prayer?

When? You know - at Lourdes, Fatima, Medjugorje?

Could it just be that what we call "saying the Rosary" isn't quite what Mary is asking for?

Why not FIND OUT?

You might be onto a GOOD THING!"

OUR ROSARY STATUE

Mary, given to us by Jesus to be our Mother, wants us all to live in His Kingdom too.

Like Mary, we should look at Jesus through scripture and store all these things in the heart.

To know and love Jesus we must meet him every day - in our lives - in others and in prayer.

Mary herself tells us that the Rosary is one certain way to come to Jesus.

If you would like to add your prayer to the community prayer and to pray for your needs and the needs of your neighbour, add your name to the Rosary Statue List in the Church porch or contact Elizabeth O'Reilly 444-7625.

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FAREWELL

It was with much regret that we farewelled Mari McDonald and Denise Camp recently. On two separate 'dessert' evenings, friends gathered to say good-bye, and the number of people present spoke volumes for the regard held for these two ladies. Both have given a great deal of time and energy to Parish activities, particularly in the Caring Community and education of our young parishioners. They will be greatly missed but we wish them and their families God's blessings and say, 'Thank you so much'. Maria and family are in Christchurch and Denise and her family have moved to Hamilton.

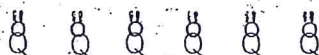
P.S. We hope there will be no more farewells in the near future, as the waistlines are suffering! and with summer just around the corner, well ...

ROSMINI YACHTSMEN

Once again, our intrepid North Shore yachtsmen have won themselves honours. It's that Rosmini crew again, with MICHAEL O'REILLY from Glenfield doing his bit. Having won the National Championship in Timaru, the team competed with Australia's best in the August school holidays, winning seven of the eight races.

JUDO

Another national champion in our midst is GARETH KNIGHT, from Woodcote Drive. Also a Rosmini pupil, Gareth recently won the under 45 kg. grade Judo Tournament. Well done, Gareth!



PARISH DIRECTORY

PARISH PRIEST

Father N. Browne - 334 Wairau Rd, Glenfield. Ph 444-864

MASS TIMETABLE

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday - 5.30 pm
Sunday - 8.00 am and 10.00 am

WEEKDAYS:

Monday-Thursday - 8.30 am
Friday - 10.00 am
Saturday - 8.30 am

First TUESDAY of the Month 9.30 am Senior Parishioners
Mass

First SUNDAY of the Month 10.00 am Family Guitar Mass

RECONCILIATION: Saturday, following Mass.

BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS: By arrangement with Father.

PRE-SCHOOL GROUP - Wendy Nash Ph 444-2094

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Elizabeth O'Reilly
Ph 444-7625

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP - Gemma Nobilo Ph 415-9459

VISITING GROUP - Leola Meyer Ph 444-8955

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