



Scoil Pól

Kilfinane

**Solemn Blessing
and**

**Official Opening
of**

**New Secondary
School**

9 November 1987

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Scoil Pol was founded in 1915 by the Sisters of Charity of St. Paul, the Apostle, to cater for the educational needs of local girls.

The school grew and developed over the years responding and adapting to changing trends in education.

Boys were enrolled for the first time in 1968 firmly establishing Scoil Pol as a Co-educational Secondary school.

Our continued commitment to serving the educational needs of the children of this area is highlighted in to-day's ceremony.

We thank you for joining with us in the Solemn Blessing and Official opening of the new Scoil Pol.

PROGRAMME

WELCOME

OFFICIAL OPENING by

Mr. Gerard Collins T.D., Minister for Justice.

SOLEMN BLESSING by

His Lordship, Most Rev. Jeremiah Newman D.D., Bishop of Limerick.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

ADDRESSES by

*Mr. Gerard Collins T.D.
Sister Maria Rosa O'Sullivan, Superior General
Sister Kathleen Neenan, School Principal*

RECEPTION AT WOODLANDS HOUSE HOTEL, ADARE.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Mr. Thomas G. Moore

BLESSING CEREMONY

Bishop:

God our Father, we are gathered here to-day for the opening of this new school. We have come to invoke your Blessing and the guiding influence of your Holy Spirit on all who will work here. May you always watch over and protect the teachers and students of this school so that they may be an example of Christian living.

Parish Priest

Lord the Blessed Virgin cared for and looked after Your Son as He grew from childhood to maturity. May her prayers for us bring blessings on all parents and guardians of the young.

Lord hear us.

Response: Lord graciously hear us.

Superior General

Lord, we ask you to bless the Sisters of Charity of St. Paul, the Apostle. Give them grace in abundance in their prayer and work. May your Spirit, reigning in their hearts, give them peace, serenity and strength to bear witness to you.

Lord hear us.

Response: Lord graciously hear us.

Minister

Guímis ar son mhuintir na hÉireann go léir inniu, sa bhaile agus i gcéin, go gcuire Dia a bhuanghrá féin ar lasadh in ár gcroí agus go dtuga sé dúinn a shíocháin.

Lord hear us.

Response: Lord graciously hear us.

Bishop

God, our Father, in creating us you gave us the task of growing in knowledge and love of you. In the past you have blessed us with dedicated men and women who have helped us in this. In the future may we be blessed in the same way so that through our educational institutions we may grow strong in our Christian faith and love.

And may the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon this new school and upon all who use it. Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

Entrance Hymn

Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia.

1. Praise the Lord all you nations
Acclaim him all you peoples.
Strong is his love for us
He is faithful for ever.
2. O sing a new song to the Lord
Sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord bless His name.
3. Proclaim His help day by day
Tell among the nations His glory
And His wonders among all the peoples.
4. Bring an offering and enter His courts
Worship the Lord in His temple
O earth, tremble before Him.

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

First Reading

Responsorial Psalm :

Freagra: Canaigí amhrán nua do'n Tiarna,
óir rinne sé éachtai.

1. Canaigí amhrán nua do'n Tiarna,
óir rinne sé éachtai.
Le neart a dheas láimhe 'sa chuisle naofa,
rug sé bua dó féin.
2. Chonaic críocha uile na Cruinne
slanú ár nDé.
Gáirdigí sa Tiarna a chríocha uile
agus nochtaigí bhur n-Áthas dó.
3. Canaigí salm do'n Tiarna leis an gcruit
is le fuaim na cláirsí.
Tugaigí gártha le fuaim stoic is adhairce
don Tiarna ár Rí.

Second Reading

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia.

This is what Yahweh asks of you - only this
That you act justly, that you love tenderly, that you walk humbly
with your God.

Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful

Response: Let us sing, to the Lord, Lord hear our prayer.

Offertory Hymn: TAKE ME LORD

Take me Lord, use my life in the way you wish to do,
Fill me Lord, Touch my heart till it always thinks of you.
Take me now, as I am, this is all I can offer.

Chorus: Here today, I the clay will be moulded by my Lord.
Lord I pray that each day I will listen to your will.
Many times I have failed but I know you love me still.
Teach me now, guide me Lord, Keep me close to you always.
I am weak, fill me now with your strength and set me free.
Make me whole, fashion me so that you will live in me.
Hold me now in your hands, form me now with your Spirit.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation

When we eat this bread and drink this cup.
We proclaim you death Lord Jesus Christ,
Until you come, until you come,
Until you come in glory.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us. (repeat)
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world grant us peace.

Great Amen

Communion Hymns

Chorus: One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
One cup of blessing which we bless.
And we though many, throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
Woman or man, no more.
2. Many the gifts, many the works,
One in the Lord of all.
3. Grain from the fields, scattered and grown.
Gathered to one, for all.

Laudate Omnes Gentes

Laudate omnes gentes, Laudate Dominum,
Laudate omnes gentes, Laudate Dominum.

Recessional: MAY CHRIST LIVE IN OUR HEARTS

May Christ live in our hearts,
Through faith may he be with us,
That planted and built on love,
We may proclaim His goodness.

Chorus: Glory be to Him whose power is at work in us.
Praise God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For this we pray to the Father,
That He may give us power.
In His Spirit that we may grow
In love and inner strength.

May we stand firm in the Truth,
Hold fast the shield of faith,
Proclaim the gospel of peace,
In eager honest deeds.

DESIGN TEAM AND BUILDERS

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