

Our Lady of Lourdes
East Kilbride

Concert and Presentation

to

Rev. Michael Ryan

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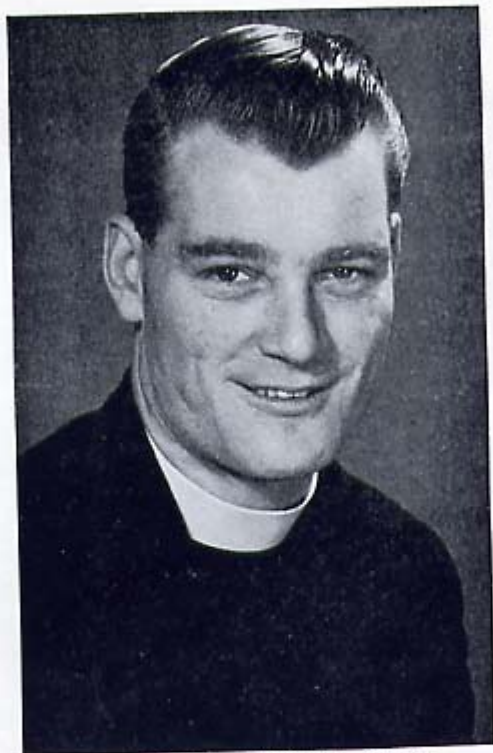
Murray Hall, East Kilbride

on

Wednesday, 30th March, 1966

at 7.30 p.m.

Presiding - - REV. ANTHONY MCGURK, P.P.



REVEREND MICHAEL RYAN

to the

Address

Reverend Michael Ryan

from the Priests and People of Our Lady of Lourdes, East Kilbride

DEAR FATHER RYAN,

We, the priests and parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes, welcome you back among us with the deepest joy and affection. Brief though your visit may be, we use the opportunity to express publicly and in tangible form our warm gratitude to you for your work amongst us. We would not presume to assess the inestimable worth of your labours in the saving of souls.

You came to us six and a half years ago on the completion of your studies at St. Patrick's College, Thurles, and at that time came to a parish only recently named and defined. Your purposeful zeal, your devoted service amidst the complexities of a rapidly growing parish soon won for you our gratitude and admiration.

Those of us recently come to Our Lady of Lourdes were strengthened by your firm counsel and warm friendship; your diligent care for the spiritual needs of our sick gained for you a place in their hearts and in their prayers; the hundreds of Catholic patients in Haimeyres Hospital were blessed in the grace that you brought them; the children in the school, and especially the First Communicants, understood your concern for their well-being and loved you for it; by your example and inspiration, by your presence amongst them, you helped our young people to a brighter perception of the Catholic ideals of life.

All of these are the good works of a worthy priest, but our esteem became affection when over and above these we found you working indefatigably by the side of our beloved Parish Priest in the tremendous task of bringing coherence, stability and security to a parish of which you can say you saw the foundations laid. You justly shared with us the happiness of a great task completed. We count ourselves blessed to have had such a strong and holy priest.

In renewing our expression of thanks, we pray to our Blessed Mother, our Patroness, that she will intercede to bring you God's blessings in the years ahead. We wish you success and happiness in the parish of Our Lady and St. Anne. We assure you of a constant reminder in our prayers and beg a place in your prayers at Holy Mass.

Signed on behalf of the Parishioners:

REV. ANTHONY MCGURK, P.P.	MICHAEL HORN.
REV. JOSEPH FITZPATRICK.	JAMES DODDS.
VINCENT GOLLOGLEY.	JOSEPH MCFADYEN.
FRANCES DALY.	JAMES McCLAIRE.
ISABEL McHUGH.	

Programme

INFANTS' PERCUSSION BAND

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES' SCHOOL CHOIR

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THE LIVINGSTONE FOLK FOUR

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MARGARET O'NEILL DENIS HANNIGAN

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ROBERT and RITA HARKINS

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Accompanist

Compère

Miss BRIGID O'NEILL

TOMMY MCGOWAN

INTERVAL

APPRECIATIONS—ADDRESS—PRESENTATION

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"Faith of Our Fathers"