

DIVINE WORD MISSIONARIES

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Dear Tom,

Thanks for your letter & also Kathleen's cake.

I'm glad to hear you are keeping well & getting to enjoy working at home. The pigs & the cows are your interests & I ~~imagine~~ ^{imagine} sure you're kept busy. Well things here are much the same. About 2 weeks ago Butch Moore was in singing in a lounge bar underneath the Hotel & before & after the show he came up with his brother & a few friends to play & sing for us. He is a very ~~very~~ sincere bloke & we were all very impressed by him, more than his singing. We had the Jubilee Fair last week but I didn't see them at all.

I was at the match between Cork & Mayo yesterday. it was a terrible game - the second one between Cavan & Meath was very good - Cavan being very unlucky not to win. Cork seem to have gone altogether - there was no life in them yesterday. The Hotel here is nice but it has no

garden & I used enjoy gardening in "Glena" very much. It was great during the week-ends to go out & do a bit of digging. I haven't done any visiting yet. I ~~will~~ must call on Catherine Hewitt & the Birminghams - I remember them holidaying in ~~Greta~~ (L.P.) House. This year at Maynooth is tougher than last year as we have more lectures & the professors are not very good. Some mornings I am very tempted to "mitch" going to Maynooth with the thought of sitting through some of the classes.

Kathleen seemed to have a very enjoyable birthday party - she told me all about the girl-friends she had at it but nothing about the boys she had there - with all the Macra & dancing she must surely know a few who would have come to it. However she'll probably see enough of some of them in the future.

How is Denis getting ^{on} off to school as fast as he can. I suppose he is following the MONKEES now that Batman has ^{gone} back to where he came from. T.V. is interesting at the moment esp. 4 Days & the new Ballad programme.