

* See New address greetings to all - Great Blessings are found in Pat. 922-5004
Dear Mummy (Telephone for messages in Ft. HARRY - Kingston)

Thank you very much for your letter. I am delighted that all at home are well and good. I hope Dennis will be lucky in getting work. If it is difficult to get work in Ireland it is even worse here. All England won't accept emigrants from here because of their colour they have no where to go and they really are so many kids. It really is a big problem.

We are gradually getting into the swing of things. We managed to rent a small room about $\frac{1}{2}$ the size of the kitchen, but it has a balcony outside & tiled floor. There is a woman with 2 kids who lives just across the yard and an old woman owner of the place who lives in the corner house. We have a little kitchen nearly as well as a toilet and shower. These are shared with the woman & children. The rent for the room is a little less than £10 a month all included so it is cheap. The cooker we have is a kerosene oil burner we got from a friend. It has a bottle upside down at the end and 3 burners. One is it working so we're getting it fixed. There used to be some in Ireland before & they are many here as they are cheap & quick.

As the room was bare we got presents of different kind of furniture, so now we have 2 beds, 2 chairs, a stool, a timber box we use as a stool, a book stand and a shelf which people nail on the wall here and use to hang clothes underneath with a curtain in front. We are presently making the division for a little chapel in the corner of the room so very shortly we will be fully installed. I was very lucky in getting work for a number of weeks in carpentry in a church here. I picked up some tools which were in different parishes so I'm very lucky. I earn almost £5 a day working 3 days a week so there is no fear of us. For the priests and nuns here, our way of life is very strange as we don't have cars etc. and don't wear clerical dress and they are trying to figure us out. The bishop is very friendly to us and we are indeed happy here. It will take a long time to get to know the people, their way of life etc. People here smoke very little cigarettes but sadly take a lot of drugs. They

men's smoking marijuana, as there is no control here on it. The work I got in the church is making benches. Sawing up the long ones, putting legs on them etc. Ned I imagine would be pleased to have someone to do some things like that around his new house. As I said earlier I may be home for Christmas. It's will either be then or early Spring. As I will have to wait to get a visa for here. At the moment I'm here as a tourist. I will know in the next few weeks. I'm glad to hear Daddy is fine & the kids. I imagine the harvest is finishing now. What was it like? There is one priest and some nuns here from Ireland. I have my check-book with me so I will sign a check on London account when I need it. There is \$150 in that Account which I can use. So best to cash \$100 in Savings Account. *the being paid \$200*

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