

**FR. LIAM mac CARTHY,
OUR PASTOR**

Fr. mac Carthy met the staff and volunteers by bringing in boxes of books, his skis and golf clubs. A young and vigorous 66-year old priest, he is enthusiastic about his assignment to come to St. Clare. He comes to us after eleven years as Pastor of Immaculate Conception, Sutter Creek. He takes yearly vacations in Cork, Ireland, his hometown. Father was educated at St. John's Seminary, Waterford, Ireland and was ordained June 9, 1968 at the Waterford Cathedral.

His first assignment was at Holy Spirit in Fairfield in 1968; then he spent a year at the Cathedral in Sacramento before being assigned to St. Patrick's in Grass Valley. At St. Patrick's he was also Chaplain of the California Youth Authority at Washington Ridge near Nevada City. Next the parishioners at Immaculate Conception in Downieville welcomed him as their pastor.

For three years he worked as a missionary with the Indians of Northern British Columbia, before coming back to the Sacramento Diocese with St. Joseph in Auburn and pastor of Our Lady of Mercy in Redding. In 1996 to present he has served eleven years in Sutter Creek as pastor of Immaculate Conception.

He has also served on the Diocesan Marriage Tribunal for 25 years and also on the Diocesan Liturgy Commission for many years.

We at St. Clare are blessed to have this talented and spirited Irish priest as our pastor.