

# Ill-concieved decision to move residents out of St Mary of the Angels

SIR, On Sunday, December 11, I and my fellow members of the Killorglin Mens Choir had the privilege of singing at a Mass for the residents, parents and staff at St Mary of the Angels, Beaufort.

The love and happiness in the hall and the obvious devotion to the young adults by all was truly humbling.

On arrival home, I cried with rage to think that faceless bureaucrats would devise and implement a 'decongregation policy' whereby several disabled children are put out of their homes into the larger commuity. This policy was ill-conceived and illogical.

This policy is wrong and has caused huge stress and anxiety to the parents and families of the children. The Irish Constitution states that the Republic guarantees equal rights and equal opportunities to all its citizens; I believe the actions of the above bureaucrats is contrary to our Consitution.

I regret that I do not have the funds to prove my case in a court of law to stop this nonsense presently being imposed by the 'health authorities' whose mission should be to provide the best care for these young adults in the only home they know.

**Sincerely,  
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Farrantooreen,  
Killorglin.**