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Family's fury that Conor Murphy may replace McGuinness

The anger of the parents of a young Roman Catholic from the IRA stronghold of Cullyhanna in South Armagh is understandable.

But so too should be the anger of the many Unionists who have had loved ones murdered by the IRA, during the many years of that evil organisation's terrorist campaign at the prospect of ANY MEMBER OF SINN FEIN HOLDING HIGH OFFICE IN OUR PROVINCE!

Sympathy is rightly shown to this one family, but there is less of a hearing given to the many hundreds of families who have to suffer the same shameful exacerbation of their grief by having to listen to the almost daily pontifications of representatives of the organisation which has the blood of their loved one on its garments.

The Quinn family complain justifiably about Sinn Fein's Conor Murphy "not doing more to help identify their son's killers."

What of those whose complaint is that the Sinn Fein spokesman IS THEIR LOVED ONE'S KILLER!!!

There is TRUE comfort for the Christian in the doctrine of the judgment of God. In a comment on the Third Commandment, the Shorter Catechism states: "However the breakers of this commandment may escape punishment from men, yet the Lord our God will not suffer them to escape His righteous judgment." That is true of all breaches of God's commandments, especially the 6th which says: "Thou shalt not kill." (Exodus 20).

There really is no hope of the many murders, irrespective of who committed them, ever being addressed here in Ulster.

But those who believe the Bible know with assurance that they will be addressed and that most terribly in that day "of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries," Hebrews 10:27!

- The Editor.

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Murdered: Paul Quinn

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The parents of a young man who was savagely beaten to death by an IRA mob say they are "utterly disgusted" by the prospect of Sinn Fein's Conor Murphy being the most likely contender to replace Martin McGuinness in Stormont.

In an interview with the Irish Independent, the family of Paul Quinn accused Murphy of not doing more to help identify their son's killers.

The 21-year-old died from horrific injuries inflicted when up to a dozen IRA men beat him after he was lured to a farm shed in Co Monaghan.

Quinn was targeted by the IRA after he stood up to a number of local republicans. The gang held three friends of Quinn hostage and forced them to arrange a meeting with him at the isolated farm shed on October 20, 2007.

When Quinn arrived he was set upon and beaten by the mob for over half an hour.



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He died a few hours later in hospital.

His family claim everyone in the area knows who murdered their son, and that they were members of Sinn Fein and the IRA.

Immediately after the murder, Conor Murphy, who was then an MP, issued a public statement claiming that he had spoken to the IRA in south Armagh and was satisfied they weren't involved.

Murphy also branded the victim as "a criminal" and linked his murder to a gangland feud which, he claimed, had no connections with the republican movement.

Those allegations have been refuted by the police on both sides of the border.

Despite repeated calls from the friends and family of the murdered man, Murphy has not offered any information to investigating gardai.

He has also refused to apologise to the Quinn family for calling their son a criminal.

Paul's mother Briege Quinn said she and her family have no intention of giving up their quest for justice.

"Conor Murphy said he spoke to the IRA immediately after Paul's murder and they said they didn't do it; and then he cast a slur on our son by calling him a criminal," she said.