SINNERS

Sinners set

As the play opens an immense silk curtain hangs from the top to the bottom of the stage, it is hung right around a circular runner which is almost the width and depth of the stage. Although it is white it is sometimes lit red – as at the opening, or blue – to signify the marquee. At times it is used as a screen onto which images of the choir are projected. The curtain is opened and closed manually between scenes by a member of the stage crew.

When it is first opened it reveals a slightly raised, large, square wooden platform. This is the interior of the Simpson family home. It is a fairly modern open plan living room and kitchen. The living area is on the left, the kitchen on the right. There is a cream settee and a standing lamp. In the kitchen there are under counter painted cabinets, a wooden worktop and Belfast-style sink. In front of this there is a wooden table and chairs.

At first, the settee is lying on its back with the cushions off and the remains of a party involving a lot of alcohol clutters the space.

When the curtain is closed the area in front of it becomes the Marquee and a small rectangular table is placed on the left.

The garden is created by unfurling a 4ft wide roll of artificial grass across the front of the stage. On this is placed a modern wooden sun lounger, small table and plants.

A large cross hangs down centre over a table draped in velvet with 2 adjacent rows of wooden chairs facing it to create the Marquee in Act 2.

Character and costume description

Stanley.

Is of medium height. He has short brown hair and a high broad forehead. He wears a grey suit.

Tania is Stanley's wife. She is slim with long legs. She has long brown hair which she wears in a pony-tail. She has a slim face with high cheek-bones.

She wears jeans and a checked shirt.

Millie is their daughter. She is petite, a little plump, with long dark curly hair which she wears tied back. She has a round face with high forehead.

She wears a tight black mini-skirt with a yellow jacket, and black high-heel shoes.

Jed is Millie's boyfriend. He is tall and skinny. He wears jeans and a jacket with a scarf draped round his neck.

Dino is Stanley and Tania's son. He is small with short cropped hair. He wears jeans tucked into Wellington boots, and a short-sleeved polo shirt.

Colleen is Tania's friend. She is of medium height with shoulder length brown hair, worn up in a bun. She wears a tight pink mini-skirt and white top, with very high-heeled shoes.

Pastor O'Hare is small with short brown hair and a neat beard and moustache. He wears a blue suit and waistcoat and tan shoes.

Phyllis is small and plump. She has medium length brown hair tied back off her round face. She wears brown baggy trousers and a loose jacket .

Mabel is tall with white hair tied back. She wears a purple tweed coat and matching peaked cap. She is in a wheelchair.

Sydney is of medium build. He has very short hair and wears jeans and a plain shirt.m