



**ST AGNES' PARISH
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**
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Priests of the Parish

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Family Offering: €2,150
Share: €2,313

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

Thought for the Week

*"Lord, our hearts are restless until they rest in You."
St. Augustine, Feast 28th August..*

Holiday Memories.

In 1913, an Aunt of mine, who was still a young girl, set out from Ireland to take the name in religious life of Sister Mary Bernard. Her journey took her from Liverpool to Montreal, a boat journey of over a week. She then travelled across Canada by train to Vancouver. The journey took her five full days. She wished to serve on the Missions and joined in Canada, the Sisters of the Child Jesus who were associated with the Oblate Fathers. There she was to spend her life as a dedicated Sister and teacher until her death in 1960, the year before I was ordained a priest. Vancouver at the time, 1913, was a large town of about 60,000 inhabitants. Today it has grown to a city of over 2 million souls.

This Summer, I travelled to Vancouver as part of a visit to Canada. I made contact with the Sisters. I wish to thank Sister Denise especially for the trouble she took to bring me to the places she worked and a particularly moving moment for me was to visit her grave in North Vancouver. I also visited St. Paul's Hospital in the city where she died on April 11th 1960. It was beside our hotel in downtown Vancouver.

At her death there was no family present or at her funeral, but she was surrounded by the love and care of her religious community. I still remember listening to my father reading aloud the account of her death and funeral when a letter arrived from Vancouver in late April 1960.

Reflecting afterwards, I thought of and prayed for so many generous and dedicated Irish Missionaries who served the Lord and His people in many far flung lands and today lie in graves where no relations have had the opportunity to visit. For me that visit to St. Joseph's Cemetery in North Vancouver was a special day. It was also a significant day, 9th August, because it was Sister Mary Bernard's birthday. Perhaps it was meant to happen that way. May she rest in peace.

Father John P.P.

Saturday Vigil Mass.

Booking Mass intentions has always been a problem. To help relieve the pressure at weekends, beginning with the Vigil Mass on Saturday 6th October, the Saturday Evening Mass will in future be a joint Mass for those names that will be called out. More details from Mary at the Parish Office.

National Maternity Hospital Remembrance Mass.

The National Maternity Hospital are having their Annual Remembrance Service on Sunday 2nd September at 3.00pm in St. Andrews Church, Westland Row, Dublin 2.

They warmly welcome all the parents and families of the babies who died in the hospital in the last year. This includes miscarriages, stillbirths and neonatal deaths. Light refreshments will be served and you will have an opportunity to meet the hospital staff and other parents. Street parking is available in the vicinity of the church on the day.

For further information contact the Chaplaincy Dept. of the National Maternity Hospital at Ph. [01] 637 3121 or by emailing chaplain@nmh.ie.

Parish Office.

As you know Marie Rooney is seriously ill. You are asked to keep her in your prayers. We have decided with immediate effect to close the Parish Office on Saturday Mornings in future. The usual Monday to Friday arrangements will continue. See our Parish Calendar for details.

Note for your Diary.

The Forty Hours Adoration

Will take place beginning on Saturday evening 15th of September and continue on Sunday afternoon and continue again all day on Monday, concluding at 7.00 pm Mass and Benediction.

More details next week. Watch this Space.

Father Denis O'Kane

Father Denis was known as the 'Donegal Dynamo'. He was very active here in St. Agnes, where he served as a curate. And the same spirit marked his ministry in other appointments also. He is credited with establishing the first full time Parish Office in the Diocese and appointed Teresa Driver as Secretary. He retired as Parish Priest of Donabate and had been in declining health for some time. He died in July and was laid to rest in his native Donegal.



May he rest in Peace.

Back on the Market.

The sale of the Parochial House fell through, so the house is now back on the market again. If you are interested, please contact Adrian Murphy of Murphy Mullan Auctioneers by phoning 409 5600

Legion of Mary.

A talk and discussion on 'The right to Life' On Tuesday 4th September, 2007 @ 8.0pm. In St. Agnes Parish Centre. All are Welcome. Light Refreshments served.

Looking for Something to do this Autumn.

What about All Hallows' Pathways Course.

Have you ever thought about exploring your faith....or wished that you could broaden your understanding of your faith....found yourself longing to search for some kind of deeper meaning in life in a safe place that honours your life experience? Are you 'involved' in your parish or other voluntary organisation and maybe looking for some kind of framework within which to fit your experience....are you feeling deeply challenged by questions your children or grandchildren are asking about God and the meaning of faith for which you feel you have 'no answers'....?

Best of all there are no exams on this course, no written work. Just come along and enjoy!

The Parish will pay the fee involved.

Now's your chance-All Hallows Most popular programme 'Pathways' will be running this year in Emmaus retreat Centre, Swords.

For more details or to book a place contact the Pathways Office. All Hallows College at 837 3745. Early application is advisable.

Recently Baptised

June

Ella Mollie Govern Furlong
Eabha Joy Quinn-Hoary
Emily Jane Farrell
Alice Lily Wall
James Michael Wall



July

Lexi Peggy Dunne
Daniel James Malone
Marc Vernon Duff
Patrick William Duff
Sean David McCormack
Ruby Rose Caffey

August

Katie Margaret Rodford
Ivy Ellen Wynne
Adam Graham Guest
Craig Patrick Doyle
Callum Brian Lee
Eabha Elaine Brady
Millie Lauren Brady
Alex Eve Kelly
Cillian Thomas Conba

We welcome them into our Christian Community and wish them every blessing in their lives ahead

Annual Mass for the Dead in Lucan Parish will take place on Sunday 2nd Sept at 3.00pm in Esker Cemetery, Lucan. (Weather Permitting)



Sing Praise to our Creator

1. Sing praise to our creator, O sons of Adams Race God's children by adoption, baptized into His grace Praise the Holy Trinity, undivided unity; Holy God, Mighty God, God Immortal, be adored
2. To Jesus Christ give glory, God's co-eternal Son; As members of His Body, we live in Him as one Praise the Holy Trinity, undivided unity, Holy God, Mighty God, God Immortal be adored.

Receive o Father in Thy Love

1. Receive O Father in thy love, These humble gifts of bread and wine: That with ourselves we offer thee, Returning gifts already thine.
2. Behold this host and chalice, Lord, To thee on high the gifts we raise: Through them may we our honour pay, Our adoration and our praise.



Stay with us Lord

- (R) Stay with us Lord we pray you Alleluia*
1. You are the bread come down from heaven. You are the food of life eternal. *(R)*
 2. You are the light which illumines the world. Brightening our way, dispelling our darkness. *(R)*
 3. You are the Christ the divine Son of God. You are the pledge of life eternal. *(R)*

Sweet Heart of Jesus

1. Sweet heart of Jesus, Fount of love and mercy, Today we come, thy blessing to implore; O touch our hearts, So cold and so ungrateful, And make them Lord, Thine own for evermore.
R. Sweet heart of Jesus, we implore, O make us love thee more and more.
2. Sweet heart of Jesus, make us pure and gentle, and teach us how to do thy blessed will; to follow close the print of thy dear footsteps, and when we fall—sweet heart, oh, love us still.

Recently Deceased

Annie Bates, Kiltfenora Rd.
Margaret Butterly, Bunting Rd.
Niall O'Donnell, Cherryfield Dr.
Thomas Mulligan, Balfe Rd.

We express our deepest sympathies to their families at this time.

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

ST AGNES CHURCH

Saturday 1st September 2007

7:00pm Christopher & Ellen Fitzsimons & Family R.I.P.

Sunday 2nd September 2007

9:00am Maurice O'Driscoll {A}
10:00am Elizabeth Redmond {A}
11:00am Philomena Coyle {1st A}
12:00pm James Cunningham {A}
1:00pm Martin Doyle {A}
7:00pm Michael, Canice & Elizabeth Hennebray {A}

Please Pray for:

Celine Ennis R.I.P.

May their Souls and the Souls of all the Faithful Departed Rest In Peace. Amen

St Agnes Parish Readers Roster for

Saturday 08 / 09 / 07

7.00pm Marie Donohue

Sunday 09 / 09 / 07

9.00am R McDermott
10.00am Catherine Nagle
11.00am A Maher & B Prior
12.00pm Edel Altman
1.00pm Nuala Talbot
7.00pm Pat Condon

Spare Copies of Prayers of the Faithful are available in the Sacristy. If you cannot make your reading, please contact John Green or the Sacristy.

Next meeting 2nd October @ 7:30pm

Eucharistic Adoration.

The next meeting of The Committee will be on Thursday 6th Sept at 6:15 pm.