



ST AGNES' PARISH
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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Priests of the Parish

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 We would be grateful if you could please either Turn Off your Mobile Phone or set it to 'Silent' when entering the Church.

Family Offering: €2,891
Share: €2,776
 Many thanks for your support

Thought for the Week

"No person can be a friend of Jesus Christ who is not a friend of his neighbour."
 R. Benson.

Your Visit.

I read a story some years ago which somehow has always remained fresh in my memory. An old gentleman used to take a walk every evening and always headed for the Church. Seeing him so often going into the Church, the parish priest asked him one day "Johnny what do you say to the Lord every day". Johnny smiled and replied "Father I just sit there. You know Jesus is very fond of me.

Yes Jesus is fond of each one of us if only we could realise it. Think of all he has done for us, from His Incarnation to His Crucifixion on the cross. He loves you as if you were the only person in the world. From the Tabernacle he thanks you for the comfort of your Adoration. St. Teresa of Avila tells us that "Prayer is a lifting up of our hearts to God by whom we know we are being loved.

Here in St. Agnes' we are privileged to have the Blessed Sacrament exposed almost daily in the Adoration Oratory. Jesus is waiting there for you-to tell Him your love for him and listen to your troubles. Perhaps you are grieving or you are worried about your health, anxious about your child or your grandchild, praying about examinations or about getting a good job. Whatever it is-great or small He will listen.

Let us not forget to thank Him too for all the gifts He gives us daily. Let us pray for peace in the world, in Ireland, pray for our Parish and for our homes, or let us just sit there, because He is very fond of us.

Caroline.

Recently Deceased

Thomas O'Brien, Captain's Rd.
 Martin Murphy, Fr. Kitt Court
 Christine Ray, Raphoe Rd.
 Margaret Breslin, John McCormack Ave.
 We express our deepest sympathies to their families at this time.
 May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

ST AGNES CHURCH

Saturday 3rd February 2007

7:00pm John, Brigid & Liam O'Grady. {A}

Sunday 4th February 2007

9:00am John Fitzell {7th A}
10:00am Christopher Collins {A}
11:00am Edward Finnegan {A}
12:00pm Elizabeth & John Kingham
1:00pm Patrick Smith {A}
7:00pm Thomas Kavanagh {A}

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

St Agnes Parish Readers Roster for Saturday 10 / 02 / 07

7.00pm Sarah Byrne
Sunday 11 / 02 / 07
9.00am J. Green/ P. Corrigan
10.00am Family Mass
11.00am Frances & M. Healy

12.00pm Sean Byrne
1.00pm June Winders
7.00pm William Elliott
 Spare Copies of Prayers of the Faithful are available in the Sacristy.
 Please note the next readers meeting will be held on Tues 30 Jan 2007 @ 7.30pm. If you cannot make your reading, please contact John Green or the Sacristy

THANK YOU

A big thank you to those helping to fold the newsletters at this time of year.

Legion of Mary Patrician Meeting.

Tuesday 6th Feb. 07. 8.00pm.
 60, Sundrive Road.
 Talk
 Eucharistic Adoration.
 All Are Welcome.

Recently Baptised

Isaac Sean Donican
 Sam Michel Swords
 Lara Hannah Dowling
 Ava Rose Rafferty
 Katie Rita O'Dowd
 Dean Peter Egan-Martin
 Ben Daniel Crowley
 Mia stephaine Curran-O'Brien



We welcome them into our community and wish them every blessing.

Great News.

It was great news to read in last weeks Mass leaflet that our P.P. Fr. John has been appointed a Monsignor.

Congratulations Fr. John on this achievement, in congratulating you may I say a special thank you to you Fr. John and all the priests of the Parish a very special appreciation for all their selfless work in St. Agnes Parish.

I do hope the editor publishes this letter.
 Thank you.
A Parishioner.

Just to express my thanks to all in the Parish and beyond who stopped to offer a word of congratulations and to those who sent messages and cards. You are very kind and thoughtful.
Fr. John.

Education in Faith Sunday.

The Irish bishops have designated Sunday 4th February as 'Education in Faith Sunday', and to mark the occasion are paying special attention to Pope Benedict's first Encyclical Letter:

Deus Caritas Est. [God is love].

Education in Faith Sunday was formerly called Catechetical Sunday. The title was changed to clarify the concept of life-long learning in faith and to foster greater links between home, school and parish. We are also reminded that we are all teachers under the guidance of the Spirit and share in the responsibility in furthering the Reign of God.

For further information please contact:

www.catechetics.ie
 Email: Brendan.oreilly@iecon.ie
 Tel: 505 3000.



Study Theology from Home.

The Dominicans are offering a full programme of theology by distance learning, which can be studied for academic credit or for its own sake.

For further information contact :
 The Priory Institute, Tallaght Village,
 Dublin 24.

Tel: [01] 404 8127.

Email: enquiries@prioryinstitute.com

Visit our website:
 www.prioryinstitute.com

Vacancy.

Would you like to help at the Reception in the Parish Centre.

We invite volunteers to come forward to assist for one morning a week from 10-12noon.

If you are interested, please leave your name, address and phone number at the Parish Office.

Colette Brennan coordinates volunteers.

Family Offering.

We are reorganising our Parish Family Offering envelopes. The following numbers contribute regularly, but we have difficulty in reconciling them with names and addresses.

We would be grateful if you would check your number against the list given here and if you are on the list please let the Parish Office know. Thank you for your assistance.

See list of numbers below.

- 61, 103, 191, 193, 206, 480, 513, 519,
- 789, 808, 830, 1295, 1501, 1754, 1762,
- 1764, 1765, 1772, 1774, 1820, 1884,
- 1894, 1973, 1986, 1987, 1988, 2010,
- 2016, 2044, 2057, 2343, 3343, 3433,
- 3437, 3545, 3579, 3790, 3904, 4047.

Volunteer Tutors Wanted

For Adult Reading and Writing Groups. Can you spare two hours a week to help someone with reading and writing difficulties?

No Qualifications necessary.

Tutor Training Course

Starting March

2nd 2007

From

10.0am-12.30

Contact Frances Ward 454 7054

Church Gate Collection.

Make a wish Foundation grants wishes to children in Ireland between the ages of 3-18 years that are trying to deal with a life-threatening illness.

These children might wish to go somewhere really special, to meet a famous person or become whatever they want to become, if only for a day.

Sometimes these wishes may be the last one a terminally ill child is granted and provides families with long lasting memories.

Next Readers Meeting

Tuesday 27th
 of February



Christ be near at Either Hand

1. Christ be near at either hand, Christ behind before me stand, Christ with me where e'er I go, Christ around, above, below.
2. Christ be in my heart and mind, Christ within my soul enshrined, Christ control my wayward heart, Christ abide and ne'er depart

Lord Accept the Gifts we offer

1. Lord, accept the gifts we offer, at this Eucharistic feast; Bread and wine to be transformed now, Through the action of thy priest. Take us too Lord and transform us, Be thy grace in us increased
2. May our souls be pure and spotless, As this host of wheat so fine, May all stain of sin be crushed out, Like the grape that forms the wine, As we, too, become partakers. In this sacrifice divine.



Sweet Sacrament Divine

1. Sweet Sacrament Divine, hid in thy earthly home, lo! Round thy lonely shrine, with suppliant hearts we come; Jesus, to thee our voice we raise, in songs of love and heartfelt praise, Sweet Sacrament Divine. [R.]
2. Sweet Sacrament of Peace, dear home of every heart, where restless yearnings cease, and sorrows all depart, there in thine ear all trustfully we tell our tale of misery, Sweet Sacrament of Peace. [R.]

Be Thou My Vision

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art: Be thou my best thought in the day and the night, Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word, Be thou ever with me and I with thee, Lord: Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son, Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.