



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

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Family Offering: €2,555

**Collection for Students for
the Priesthood: €4,361**

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

Recently Deceased

*Richard Walsh, John McCormack Ave.
William Carroll, Cashel Road
Eileen Nestor, Crumlin Village*

*We express our deepest sympathies to
their families at this time.
May They Rest in Peace. Amen.*

Thought for the Week

"Forgiveness does not make the other person right, it makes you free". -- Anonymous.

CLIMATE CHANGE

The month of April this year was the warmest, driest month of April on record in Ireland. I hear you say "give us more of that beautiful weather". Some parts of the country had no rainfall for six weeks. Now that May has begun, we are back to cooler and changeable weather patterns. Remember the old saying "do not cast a clout until May is out"

Now that climate change is a worldwide issue, perhaps it is appropriate that one of our parishioners has submitted the following article which gives us food for thought.

EVERYBODY IS TALKING ABOUT IT EXCEPT US

Everybody is talking about it except us; have nothing to say? The TV, radio, the papers and even a proposed worldwide rock concert and yet we, the Church, appear to have little or nothing to say about Climate Change.

At every Mass we pray, "Blessed are you Lord God of all Creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which Earth has given"; but do we really see ourselves as responsible to God for the Earth or are we content to leave it to the Environmentalists and Politicians?

Scientists tell us that numerous species are in danger of extinction if global warming continues. What is our response as People of God the Creator? What will we do?

In a public audience on the 17th January 2001, Pope John Paul II said "If we scan the regions of our planet, we immediately see that humanity has disappointed God's expectations. Man, especially in our time, has without hesitation, devastated wooded plains and valleys. Polluted waters, disfigured the earth's habitat, made the air unbreathable, disturbed the hydro geological and atmospheric spheres and turned luxuriant areas into deserts and undertaken forms of unrestrained industrialisation, humiliating the flower-garden of the universe, to use the image of Dante Alighieri (Paradiso, XXII, 151). We must therefore encourage and support the 'ecological conversion' that in recent decades has made humanity more sensitive to the catastrophe to which it has been heading. Man is no longer the Creator's 'steward' but an autonomous despot, who is finally beginning to understand that he must stop at the edge of the abyss"

If you are not already doing so please begin to print on both sides of the page, turn your thermostat down by one degree, turn off lights, recycle and compost as much as you can and if and where possible, leave the car at home.

May God who made all creation and found it to be very good help us to see more and more it's sacred goodness and show us where and how to change our World. Amen.

A.F.

St Agnes Parish Lourdes Pilgrimage.

The Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from 7-12 Sept. Five nights full board accommodation costs €665 per person sharing. A deposit of €200 per person will secure a place. Please contact the Parish Office.

TAX REBATE

Just a reminder to return your form as soon as possible so that the Parish can benefit. Even if you are not eligible under the Scheme, please return your form stating that fact, so that we can record it, and not trouble you in future.

Fr John



Items to be included in the Newsletter should be left in the Parish Office no later than noon on the Wednesday before each weekend in the week of publication

MASS INTENTIONS

ST AGNES CHURCH

Saturday 12th May 2007

7:00pm Catherine & Annie Tucker {Anniv.}

Sunday 13th May 2007

9:00am Patricia O'Keeffe
10:00am Deceased members of the O'Farrell & O'Callaghan Family

11:00am Joseph & Brigid Traynor{A} & Daughters Rita & Aileen

12:00pm Annie & Charlie Croghan and their son Charlie

1:00pm Mary Jordan {A}

7:00pm Noel Harding {A}

Please Pray for Willie Morrissey {A}
May their Souls and the Souls of all the Faithful Departed Rest In Peace. Amen

St Agnes Parish Readers Roster for Saturday 19 / 05 / 07

7.00pm M Donohue

Sunday 20 / 05 / 07

9.00am R McDermott
10.00am Family Mass
11.00am A Maher & B Prior
12.00pm E Altman
1.00pm N Talbot
7.00pm P 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. The Next Readers meeting Tuesday 29th May.

APOLOGY

The intention for the 12 noon Mass on Sunday 29th April should have been read as Robert Glennon. We apologise for any upset this error may have caused.

Parish Secretary

Pilgrimage to Knock.

The Salesian Pilgrimage takes place on Saturday next 19th May. A coach will depart from the Church at 8am sharp. The cost is €20. Bring a packed lunch. You may book with Carmel at the back of the Church.

KNOCK 2007

As usual we hope to run our Annual Pilgrimage to Knock in late August. Details later.



However many people like to make a day or overnight pilgrimage of their own. You will find on the Church notice boards information with regard to ceremony times during the pilgrimage season. Check before you set off and don't forget a little prayer for the rest of us while you are there.

Padre Pio Prayer Group

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 15th May. Rosary 6.45. Mass 7.00pm followed by Benediction And Blessing.

All Are Welcome

Matt Talbot Mass

The Matt Talbot Mass will take place on Tuesday 15th May in the Fr Libermann Oratory, Kimmage Manor Rosary 7:15pm; Mass at 7:30pm.

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CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

This year marks the 75th Anniversary of the great Eucharistic Congress held in Dublin in 1932. Some of our older parishioners may well remember this celebration from their childhood days. Our Parish Liturgy group discussed marking the occasion here in St Agnes Parish. It was decided to celebrate the Anniversary on Sunday 10th June at the end of the 7pm Mass with a Corpus Christi Procession in the Church Grounds.



We will be inviting different groups to be involved and hope you will note the Procession in your diary and make an effort to be present for this public celebration in honour of the Blessed Sacrament. We hope to invite the 1st Communion children to be with us on the evening.

We will be promoting this Procession again closer to the 10th June.

6:00 MASS IN THE SOCIAL SERVICES CENTRE

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There will be a Mass in the Social Services Centre this Sunday 13th May at 6pm.

If you attended the Mass during the above years we would like to see you and have a cup of tea and a chat afterwards. We hope you can come along. All are welcome.

Tom & Team.

THE TEN TASKS CHALLENGE

Are you looking for a fun event for you and your friends? Why not consider the Ten Tasks Challenge in aid of the National Children's Hospital Tallaght on the 21st to 23rd Sept 2007 in Avon Ri, Blessington. A team of 6 will stay together and take on Ten Tasks. You could win an LCD TV. For more information, call 01-414 2375 or email tentasks@thenationalchildrenshospital.ie or check out the www.thenationalchildrenshospital.ie website

CONGRATULATIONS

To the boys and girls of St Damian's School who made their 1st Holy Communion this weekend. May they always love the Mass and often receive Jesus in Holy Communion. May their parents always give them good example

Lamb of God Prayer Group

Charismatic Prayer Meeting on Wednesday Nights at 7:45pm in the Camac Room, Parish Centre

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

This weekends Church Gate collection is in aid of Pax Christi who work on peace & justice issues, debt and development issues in Ireland and the Rest of the World Please be as generous as possible.



Praise My Soul The King of Heaven

1. Praise my soul the King of Heaven, To his feet your tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who am I his praise to sing? Praise him. Praise him, Praise him. Praise the everlasting King.

2. Praise him for his grace and favour, To our fathers in distress: Praise him still the same forever, Slow to chide and swift to bless. Praise him. Praise him. Praise him. Praise him. Glorious in his faithfulness.

Praise to the Lord

1. Praise to the Lord the almighty, the king of creation. O my soul praise him for he is your health and salvation. All you who hear, now to his altar draw near, joining in Glad adoration.
2. Praise to the Lord let us offer our gifts at his altar; Let not our sins and transgressions now cause us to falter, Christ the high priest bids us all join in his feast victims with him on the altar.

A New Hymn of Praise.

Response A new hymn of praise let us sing to the Lord Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

1. This is the day the Lord has made; Ransomed for sin his life he gave. (R)
2. To save us he was crucified, Raising our hearts when hope had died. (R)
3. Bringing him gifts of bread and wine. We receive back, his life divine. (R)
4. So live within us, make us one; Stay with us Lord, till life is done. (R)

Hail Queen of Heaven

1. Hail Queen of heav'n, the ocean star, guide of the wand'rer here below: Thrown on life's surge, we claim thy care Save us from peril and from woe. Mother of Christ, star of the sea, Pray for the wand'rer, pray for me.
2. O gentle, chaste and spotless maid, We sinners make our prayers to thee: Remind thy Son that He has paid the price of our iniquity. Virgin most pure, star of the sea, Pray for the sinner, pray for me.

