



ST AGNES' PARISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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The Emmaus Vocation Journey

The Dublin Diocesan Centre is organising this Journey of discovery and invites any young person [18-35yrs or so] who wants to live the Gospel more fully, and who wants to discover the call of God in his or her life.

You are invited to set aside six Saturday afternoons & one weekend, between Nov. 6th 06 and April 07 to take part in this journey of discovery.

The afternoon sessions will take place at St. Alphonsus Monastery, St. Alphonsus Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9. Each of these meetings [11am-approx 3pm.] will include: quiet prayer using scripture: Short presentation on theme and discussion: Mass: Light meal. Dates for these Saturday afternoons are 4th Nov.06: 9th Dec. 06: 13th Jan 07: 3rd Feb. 07: 10th Mar 07: 28th April 07.

The weekend will take place at Teach Lorcaín, Glendassan, Glendalough. [Fri 30th Mar–Sun. 1st April 07]. Here you will have space to pray, time to relax, to walk and to enjoy created nature at its best. It will give an opportunity for all involved in the Emmaus Vocation Journey to focus on their own unique calling in life and to discover more fully where God is calling you.

Luke 24:32 They asked each other "were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road & opened the Scriptures to us".

Setting out on their journey to Emmaus the two disciples were downcast, having been deeply pained by the death of Jesus. The stranger walking with them explained the scriptures to them. When they reached Emmaus they were greatly enlightened and only in the breaking of bread did they recognise Jesus. They immediately returned to Jerusalem to serve the Lord.

In every generation Jesus calls disciples to serve His Body—the Church. We are all aware of the stormy times that the Church is experiencing in our own time and how it needs priests, religious and a committed and enlightened laity. So the INVITATION to you to come apart for a while and through prayer, scripture and the Mass, walk this Emmaus Vocation Journey. The hope of our journey is that, like the disciples in the Gospel, you may come to know where the Lord is leading and what his call holds for you. Do "Come And See".

Further information from: Fr. Eamonn Burke. Phone No. 857 4298 or vocations@dublindioocese.ie

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

St Agnes Parish Readers Roster for

Saturday 28 / 10 / 06

7.00pm M. Rooney & J. Cleary

Sunday 29 / 10 / 06

9.00am Vera Brennan

10.00am Family Mass

11.00am M. Finnegan

12.00pm M. McManus

1.00pm Liam Buckley

7.00pm Olan Twomey

Spare Copies of Prayers of the Faithful are available in the Sacristy.

Please note the next readers meeting will be held on Wed 1st November @ 7.30pm. If you cannot make your reading, please contact John Green or the Sacristy

Parish Pastoral Council

The good work of the Council continues and I would like as Parish Priest to thank them for all their ideas and reflections since they began their term of office almost 2 years ago. As priests we value their advice and support. The pictures of members are on the notice boards in the Church Porch.

One member, Lena Kelly, suggested that we ask the Parishioners to pray for God's blessing on our work as a Council and she suggests the following prayer:

We pray that the Parish Pastoral Council may be guided by the Holy Spirit and that the work of the Council shall be fruitful, Resulting in the growth and renewal of the Catholic faith in the Parish. We make this and all our prayers through Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

Recently Deceased

Amelia Ring, St. Teresa's Rd.
Kathleen Early, Moeran Rd.
Michael Byrne, Windmill Ave.
Imelda Kavanagh, O'Brien Rd.

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

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

Due to pressure on space we have to leave some notices out. We hope to carry them in our next week's newsletter.

Sunday Mass Collections

Family Offering: €2,506
Share: €2,494

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

Thought for the Week

"Two things are hard on the heart - running up stairs and running down people."
Anon

Mission Alive

Mission Sunday presents us with the challenge to be a missionary to the whole world wherever it is—abroad or a home. Mission is everywhere—on our own doorstep—we all have a part to play. There are many newcomers now in Ireland. We can share our Faith with them particularly through the witness of our lives. There is the opportunity to listen to and learn from our newcomers—we will be enriched.

The Irish history of emigration should give us a special insight into their needs, and an understanding of the enormous loneliness, marginalisation, prejudice, hardships, and indifference many face in adapting to a new culture.

Our own Irish Missionaries have been welcomed and accepted by communities throughout the world. They have experienced the challenges and energy created by living in other cultures. "I was a stranger and you made me welcome". Are newcomers made welcome in our parishes and communities? How as Christians can we make them more welcome? Are we still a small island with a big heart?

Before Time Passes.

Just to say a big thank you to all involved in the wonderful evening we enjoyed on the occasion of the official opening of the Pariah Centre and Office by the Lord Mayor of Dublin and the blessing and dedication of the building by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin. It was a very happy event, the culmination of much work and support.

The Centre was greatly admired and praised by all present and it certainly looked well on the evening of October 5th, now recorded for posterity on the plaque in the coffee dock, which was unveiled by the Lord Mayor, Councillor Vincent Jackson.

Thank you again one and all.

Father John.

Family Offering Envelopes.

We would like to thank all our parishioners who contribute so generously to the Family Offering Collection. We are updating our records, and would be grateful if you would put your name and address on your envelopes for the next few weeks.

Padre Pio Mass

This month the Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 24th October, [The fourth Tuesday, for this month only].
Rosary at 6.45pm followed by Mass and Benediction and blessing with the Relic.

All Are Welcome!

S.F.O. Area Meeting.

Takes place Monday 23rd October 3-4pm. In the Columban Convent [Oratory] back of Fr. Kitt Court.
Lecto Divine, Divine Office, prayers of Intercession before the Blessed Sacrament. [Third Order Franciscans]

All Are Welcome!

MASS INTENTIONS

ST AGNES CHURCH

Saturday 21st October 2006

7:00pm Michael, Sadie, Jennifer & Shirley Russell

Sunday 22nd October 2006

9:00am Brigid Maher {A}

10:00am Ellen Thompson & son Peter R.I.P.

11:00am Mina Finnegan {A}

12:00pm Christopher Ward {A}

1:00pm Thomas O' Donohoe & daughter Laura R.I.P.

7:00pm Rosanna, Peter & John Martin {A}

Please Pray For: Chrissie Burke {1st A}

ST DAMIAN'S MASS CENTRE

11:00am Alice & Michael Hevey {A}

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

Adoration

I would like to thank all those people who are continuing with the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Oratory.



We are looking for new people for the hours of
12.00–1.00 Thursday and
4.00–5.00 on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Please phone 085 1086 449
Or leave your name and number in the Sacristy.



Amazing Grace

1. Amazing grace! How sweet the sound! That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; Was blind but now I see.
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!

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.**

Now Thank We All Our God

1. Now thank we all our God, With hearts and hands and voices, Who wondrous things has done, In whom the world rejoices, Who from our mother's arms, Has blessed us on our way, With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today.
2. O may this bounteous God, Through all our lives be near us, With ever joyful hearts, And blessed peace to cheer us, And keep us in his grace, And guide us when perplexed, And free us from all ills, In this world and the next.

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.

