

# **Recently Deceased**

William Knowles, Dowland Rd Elizabeth Doyle, Windmill Rd. Margaret Domican, Captain's Rd.

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

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 24th November 2007		
7:00pm	Shared Mass	
Sunday 25th November 2007		
9:00am	Phylis O' Driscoll {A.}	
10:00am	O'Brien& Clancy Families	
11:00am	Sheila & Timmy Healy {A.}	
12:00pm	Marie Smith {4th A.}	
1:00pm	Mary & Charlie Cusack {A.}	
7:00pm	Alfred Bennett {A.}	

Please Pray for Anthony Beatty & Bobby Keogh, Nora O'Brien {1st A}

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

#### **St Agnes Parish Readers Roster**

Saturday 01 / 12 / 07		
7.00pm	Marie Donohue	
Sunday 02/12/07		
9.00am	R. McDermott	
10.00am	Family Mass	
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 27th November @ 7:30pm

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#### Priests of the Parish

Fr. J. Deasy P.P. Ph. 4550955 Fr. J. Foster Ph. 4650714 Fr. P. Coffey Ph. 4650707 Fr. P. Brewster Ph. 4650716

Family Offering: €2,137 Share: €2,556

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

## <u>Thought</u> for the Week

" Only a life lived for others is worth living .-Albert Einstein.

# Dark Days.

This year for many there will be sadness around the Christmas table. Families have lost loved ones. My own brother, Jim, died in May. We will miss him. Many who have died have lived long and fulfilled lives and have slipped away surrounded by their family. For others death has come unexpectedly through accidents or sudden death and often in the prime of life and with so much to live for. In the past few months St. Agnes Church has witnessed the funerals of five victims of suicide. All our thoughts will be with their families this Christmas season when the pain of loss will be particularly acute. The victim may be at peace, but those left behind are left asking the questions

"Why did it happen"? "Could we have foreseen and helped to prevent such a final act''?. May I say to such people – You did your best and so do not feel guilty. The healing process will be long and you will never forget. May God and good relatives and friends be there to support you and help you find inner peace as you travel the days and weeks ahead.

If you are still enduring pain after the suicide of a relative or friend there is help available. Also, if you know of someone who is threatening suicide do not treat it lightly as something that will pass with time. Act to assist such a person. There is a new CD entitled Facing up to Suicide which is advertised below in this newsletter. If you need to talk to someone because you feel suicidal or just need to speak to someone who will listen there are helpful contact numbers below.

> Samaritans :Phone 1850-609 090 Phone 1890-303 302 Aware : Phone 01 873 4029 Grow : Console : Phone 1800-201 890

#### New CD-Facing Up to Suicide.

A Pastoral Perspective.

#### This CD will : -

Fr. John P.P.

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- Help you to give suicidal people reasons to live
- Help you to know what to say to people who are suicidal
- Help you to assist the bereaved in coping with the loss of their dear ones by • suicide.

Can be ordered from Awareness Education Office, 3 Cabra Grove, D.7. For Further Details Ph 01 838 8888 or visit www.awarenesseducation.org

Christmas cards in aid of the Lorcan O'Toole Centre are on sale. Available from Carmel [at back of Church] Fantastic Value @ €4 per pack of 12.

# We Regret

The Parish Assembly arranged for This Sunday 25th November will not now take place. This is to allow at the request of the Archbishop an evaluation of all Parish Pastoral Councils in the Diocese.

## **Change of Editor.**

Since we began publishing our Weekly Newsletter, your Parish Priest has been looking after it each week. Sr. Margaret of the Columban Sisters has kindly offered to take care of the Newsletter for the month of December. I am very grateful to her. Perhaps someone else might offer to edit the Newsletter for a month. Any volunteers? Contact Fr. John.

## Isands Christmas Remembrance Service.

St. Nicholas of Myra Church, Francis St., D.8 2nd December 2007, 7.30pm. To all bereaved parents, families and friends we extend a warm invitation to you to join us to remember our children and loved ones in a special way in the company of special friends.

National Executive of Isands, Irish Stillbirth & Neonatal Death Society.

# Bangladesh.

This is a very low lying country and very poor also. The recent Cyclone and floods have caused great havoc as you have seen on TV. I have sent a cheque for €1,000 from our Charity Fund to Trocaire to help with relief work among the people who are suffering so much. Thanks again for your support for this fund in the Parish.

The Missionary Sisters of St. Columban once again thank you for making our Christmas Fair a resounding success. We thank Fr. Deasy & priests, our very hard working committee members, volunteers, friends, relatives & benefactors. We thank very specially the people of Crumlin who came out in great numbers to support our mission work. Even the weather smiled on us. We are grateful to God for His goodness to us and we ask Him to reward all of you for your unfailing generosity. The Columban Sisters.

## SFO Area Meeting.

Blessed Sacrament. Third Order Franciscans.

# 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

#### Receive o Father in Thy Love

Refrain: Angels, Saints and nations sing; Praised be Jesus Christ, 1. Receive O Father in thy love, These humble gifts of bread and our King; Lord of life, earth, sky and sea, King of love on Calvary. wine: That with ourselves we offer thee, Returning gifts already 2. Eucharistic King, what love, draws Thee daily from above, clad in signs of bread and wine, feed us, lead us, keep us Thine. 2. Behold this host and chalice, Lord, To thee on high the gifts we Refrain

raise: Through them may we our honour pay, Our adoration and our praise.

#### The Lord's My Shepherd

1. The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want, He makes me down to lie, In pastures green he leadeth me, The guite waters by. 2. My soul he doth restore again, And me to walk doth make. Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for his own name's sake.

Takes place in Oratory of Columban Srs. [back of Fr. Kitt Court Monday 26th Nov. 3 – 4 pm. Mass will be celebrated for deceased members of SFO also Divine Office Prayers of Intercession before the

# Walk With Me.

Many of you will be familiar with this little booklet which provides us with a journey of prayer and reflection for Advent and the Christmas season, 2007. It has proved popular with parishioners in the past and this years edition is now available from Carmel and the Parish Shop at €1.50. These daily readings will provide us with spiritual food from the 2nd December until the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord the 13th of January 2008.

**Sponsor A Light.** In memory of a loved one On The Light Up A Life Christmas Tree Our Lady's Hospice Harold's Cross Tree Ceremony Sunday 2nd Dec. 4 pm. Call 1850 66 06 06 for Candles, Sponsored Lights and Christmas Cards In Aid Of Our Lady's Hospice & Blackrock Hospice.

#### Indulgences & Holv Souls.

t is possible to gain a Plenary indulgence once each day for the Holy Souls by such easy and simple ways as **1**. saying the rosary in church or in a family group or **2**. making the Stations of the Cross. Or **3**. spending at least one half hour before he Blessed Sacrament or 4. reading scripture for at least one half hour. One must receive Holy Communion each day and say a prayer for the intensions of Our Holy Father the Pope such as one Our Father and one Hail Mary. It is also necessary to make a sacramental Confession up to 8 days before or after one does the Work listed at 1-4above. Thus by going to Confession every fortnight one can gain a Plenary Indulgence each day. You can release so many souls from Purgatory by making the effort. But remember all attachments to sin even venial sin, must be absent. Maybe the latter is the most difficult part of gaining the indulgence. All of this applies not just for the month of November but for the whole year.

3. Goodness and mercy all my life, shall surely follow me; and in God's house for evermore, my dwelling place shall be.

#### Hail, Redeemer King Divine

1. Hail Redeemer King Divine! Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine, King whose reign shall never cease, Prince of everlasting peace.

3. King whose name creation thrills, Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills, Till in peace each nation rings, With thy praises, King of Kings. Refrain

