



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

Fr. J. Deasy P.P. Ph. 4550955
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Fr. P. Brewster Ph. 4650716

Family Offering: €2,568

Missions: €10,270

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

Recently Deceased

Joan Mahon, Hillsbrook Ave.
Annie Fagan, White Hall Rd. West
Elizabeth Cleary, Captain's Rd.
Christopher French, John McCormack Ave.

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

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 27th October 2007

7:00pm Shared Mass

Sunday 28th October 2007

9:00am Patrick & Bridget Rogers {A}
10:00am Vera & Pater Hendrick
11:00am Mary Manto {A}
12:00pm Jim & Joan Kennedy {A}
1:00pm Kathleen Smyth {5th A}
7:00pm William O'Toole & deceased family

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

St Agnes Parish Readers Roster

Saturday 03 / 11 / 07

7.00pm Marie Donohue

Sunday 04 / 11 / 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 30th October @ 7:30pm

Catholic Papers

Catholic papers are available after all weekend Masses at the back of the church.

Thought for the Week

"Courage! In the Spiritual Life, whoever does not go forward goes backward." - St. Francis de Sales.

Ghosts and Devils

As we approach Halloween and we talk about Ghosts and Witches, it would seem appropriate that we conclude Sinead Norton Boland's *Memories of a Great Teacher* by recalling an incident from Assumption School in Walkinstown and the life of Sister Angela Maher.

As a Principal, Sr. Angela commanded great respect. On one memorable occasion, she put the fear of God into a number of 6th class 'dare-devils' who were suspected of experimenting at lunchtime with a makeshift Ouija Board. [Yes, these things do happen, even in the best of schools]. Horrified at this idea—she herself having a healthy respect for the other world and its occupants—Sr. Angela made a hasty tour of the school during which she warned in no uncertain terms that she would personally appear to anyone who engaged in such an activity. Whether the threatened apparition was to be posthumous or that very night was not clarified but it certainly had the desired effect: end of story. The possibility of an angry nun [even one of Sr. Angela's kind disposition] taking shape in the dead of night was a terrifying prospect and definitely not worth the risk!

Sadly, on 9th March 1995, Sr. Angela passed away. All these years later, she is still genuinely missed by a great many people whose lives she touched in her own inimitable way. And sometimes, as my new pupils open their books before a lesson, I imagine her bursting into the chambers of Paradise and conducting the heavenly choirs with 'It's a long way to Tipperary!' Ar dheis De go raimh a hanam dillis. [May she rest in Peace].

Sinead Norton Boland.

ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD

Envelopes are now available to have the names of deceased family and friends included in the Altar List of the Dead. The priests of the Parish offer Mass each month for all those entered.

The Annual Celebration for those who died during the year will be celebrated on Thursday evening 22nd November. Please note it in your diary.



MISSION SUNDAY.

JUST TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE RELIGIOUS SISTERS WHO DECORATED THE CHURCH LAST WEEKEND. SUCH GOOD WORK SHOULD BE ACKNOWLEDGED. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU, OUR PARISHIONERS FOR YOUR WONDERFUL GENEROSITY TO THE MISSIONS WHICH AMOUNTED TO OVER €10,000, €3,500 UP ON LAST YEAR. SOMEBODY SAID "SEE WHAT A DIFFERENCE TWO WOMEN CAN MAKE TO THE COLLECTION". SISTERS BRENDA AND BERNADINE —TAKE A BOW.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION.

"THANK YOU" TO ALL WHO WERE SO FAITHFUL TO EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS, AND ALSO FOR ASKING SOME ONE TO "STAND-IN" FOR YOU DURING YOUR HOLIDAYS.

IT IS INSPIRING TOO, TO SEE GROWING NUMBERS COMING FOR SHORTER PERIODS DAILY. THIS WILL BRING MANY BLESSINGS ON OUR FAMILIES, ON OUR PARISH, AND ON OUR COUNTRY. GOD BLESS YOU.

Parish Pastoral Council.

The present Council is coming to the end of its term of office in December. It was a new experience for all 12 members and now is the time for review and to begin the process of setting up the new Council. Before that we will be presenting a report to our Parishioners and looking to the future in a time of rapid change in the Irish Church. It is important that you are a part of this review and planning for the future.

On Sunday the 25th November we will be holding a Parish Assembly in the Parish Centre from 3—5.15pm. We hope you will mark this date in your diary and make every effort to be there.

Father John P.P.

CLOCKS.

Just to remind you that all clocks go back one hour on Saturday night this weekend. Our automatic system for our Church Bells got it wrong and decided Winter time began last weekend. Hopefully the system will not jump back another hour this weekend.

Mass for our Deceased Parishioners.

Our Annual Mass takes place this year in St. Agnes Church at 7pm on Thursday 22nd of November. The Principal Celebrant will be Fr. Peter Coffey.

This is the occasion when we remember our loved ones who have died during the past year and this Mass is a healing Celebration for bereaved families.

Feast of All Saints.

The 1st of November is the Feast of All Saints and a Holyday. May we remind you of Mass Times.

The Vigil Mass will be on Wednesday Evening at 7.00pm.

Masses on Thursday will be at 8am, 9.00am, 10.00am, 11.00am, and 12noon.

There will be no 1.0pm Mass.

Evening Mass as usual will be at 7.00pm.

Bank Holiday Monday

We hope you enjoy a relaxing weekend. Monday is a Bank Holiday. We hope all our runners in the Marathon are fit and well and ready to run the 26 miles plus distance.

There will be 2 Masses only on that day—9.00am and 10.00am.

The Parish Office will be closed.

Congratulations.

Perhaps, it is a little late, but I know our Parishioners will wish to join with me in offering Archbishop Sean Brady of Armagh our best wishes on being chosen as a Cardinal.

I am sure Armagh and the Northern Province are delighted that the red hat has returned to their Diocese after a stay in Dublin.

The country has now three Cardinals—Cathal Daly now past 90 years of age—Desmond Connell of Dublin, now past 80 years and now Cardinal Elect, Sean Brady.

Defibrillator for Use.

St. Agnes ' Credit Union Are willing to allow businesses to avail of their recently bought defibrillator in cases of emergency during their normal working hours provided that there is due care and consideration observed. Staff members are trained in the use of this equipment.



How Great Thou Art

1. O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder, consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars I hear the mighty thunder thy power through-out the universe displayed.

Chorus: Then sings my soul, my saviour God to thee, how great thou art, how great thou art, then sings my soul my saviour God to thee How great thou art, how great thou art.

2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees when I look down from lofty mountains grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gently breeze.

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.

The King of love my shepherd

1. The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine for ever.

2. Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul He leadeth, And where the verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth.

Faith of Our Fathers

1. Faith of our fathers living still, in spite of dungeon, fire and sword, O how our hearts beat high with joy, Whene'er we hear that glorious word. Faith of our Fathers holy faith, We will be true to thee till death.

2. Our fathers chained in prisons dark, were still in heart and conscience free; how sweet would be their children's fate, if they like them could die for thee. Faith of our fathers, Holy Faith, We will be true to thee till death.

