

## Recently Deceased

Thomas Payne, Stanaway Rd James Redmond, Stanaway Rd Gavin Murray, Ex Hardiback Ave We express our deepest sympathies to their families at this time. May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

#### **Readers Roster**

Saturday February 23rd 2013		
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7.00pm	C Heavey	
Sunday, February 24th 2013		
9.30am	J Chalmers	
11.00am	T O'Byrne	
{Family Mass}		
12.30pm	R Tobin	
7.00pm	A Kilday	

If you cannot make your reading, please contact John Green.

## Trocaire Boxes.

Trocaire is the Church's Agency that works for a just world and the Lenten Collection boxes are now available in the Church. Please take one home with you. Every little helps the poor of the world.

## In the Footsteps of Jesus



is sunny. Bring us back a little súnshine and heat.

ST AGNES' PARISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER	Priests of the Parish	
TEAM MINISTRY OF CLOGHER ROAD.,	Fr. Paul Tyrrell	Ph. 4555368
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website@crumlinparish.ie newsletter@crumlinparish.ie	Many thanks for your continued support and generosity	

## **Surprise Retirement**

When we all heard last Monday of Pope Benedict's decision to retire at the end of February, we were surprised as such a resignation has not happened previously for almost 600 years.



When we look back to the International Eucharistic Congress held last June in Dublin, the Pope delivered the customary message at the concluding celebration in Croke Park by way of a pre recorded message. In the past it was usually a live message. I recall people saying at the time they the Holy Father sounded tired. There was a lack of energy and his smile was limp. Perhaps there was a signal to us all of his declining health and no doubt over the following months he gave serious thought to the decision he has now made. I think that we all agree that he has made the correct decision. With typical German precision he has given us not only the day but also the time when his retirement takes effect, namely the 28th February at 8pm

As our Thought for the week perhaps we might reflect on a few lines from Pope Benedict's message to all of us for the Season of Lent which has just beaun.

"I express my wish that all of you spend this precious time rekindling your faith in Jesus Christ, so as to enter with Him into the dynamic of love for the Father and for every brother and sister that we encounter in our lives'

These words of Pope Benedict express very much the hopes and wishes of his papacy. Perhaps we might take them to heart this Lent.

May we wish the Holy Father peace and good health into the future. May the Holy Spirit guide the Cardinals when they gather in Conclave to select a worthy successor to Pope Benedict XVI

FrJohn

PS: In theory an ordinary priest can be elected Pope. I want to state I am not available for selection

## Papal Nuncio Visits St Agnes

On Saturday evening next 23rd February, we will welcome Archbishop Charles Brown, Papal Nuncio to Ireland. He will be the Principal Celebrant at 7.00pm Mass to mark the arrival of the Relics of St John Bosco, founder of the Salesians, to Ireland. It will be a special occasion for the Parish as well as the Salesian Order.

Members of the Salesians will speak at all Masses on the Sunday 24th February about the significance of St John Bosco in todays world

St Agnes Musical Society Production of "The King and I" St Agnes School Hall 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> March All tickets €8 each. Available from St Agnes School Reception – school hours. St Agnes Parish Centre 10am – 12noon

# Come and See weekends for single women between 20 - 40 years.

Join the Disciples of the Divine Master, White Cross, Blackrock, County Dublin for joyful and spiritual weekends of prayer and sharing. Save the Dates: Friday March 8th – Sunday March 10th 2013, Friday June 14th—Sunday 16th June 2013, Friday 29th November—Sunday 1st December 2013. For further information and bookings contact kathryn@pddm.org: 087 317 0964 or log on to www.divinemastercentre.ie

## ADVANCE NOTICE

Our Annual Novena of Grace from the 4th to the 12th March will be conducted this year by the Franciscan Fathers. It is an important occasion in the Parish and many parishioners and others too, see it as an important part of their journey through Lent. Make a date for your diary

## Tuesday 19, 26 & Mar 5 :-

Abraham and Our Ancestors in Faith: Key Moments in Genesis 12-50. Three Tuesday evenings from 7.30-9.30pm

€10 per session Sr. Carmel McCarthy

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND BOOKING PLEASE CONTACT:

Fr. John Byrne OSA, Orlagh Centre, Old Court Road, Firhouse, Dublin 16 Tel ) 495-819 or email info@orlagh.ie Visit www.orlagh.ie for more information

A Week of Guided Prayer: A Week of Guided Prayer will take place at St. Bernadette's Church, Clogher Road from 17<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2013. For further details contact the parish office at 01 4733109. All are welcome

The 11am Sunday Family Mass Group Join us on Wednesdays in the Parish Centre from 6pm to 7pm where we prepare through singing, art and craft for our 11am Sunday Family Mass. All children over five years old welcome. New Members Always Welcome.

## Weekly Family Offering Envelopes

Many thanks to all who collected and distributed boxes. If you have not received your new box please call to the Parish Office.

If you do not contribute to the family offering by way of weekly envelope or monthly standing order donations and would like to contribute please call to the parish centre where a box can be allocated or where you can complete a standing order form. This collection covers the day to day running of the Church and your support is greatly appreciated.

Can the parishioners who currently hold box numbers 572 & 573 please give your name and address into the parish office as we want to update our records. Thank you.

# NEIGHBOURHOOD RETREAT

The Neighbourhood Retreat began again on Ash Wednesday 13th February 2013 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre and will continue every Wednesday evening during Lent. Further details can be obtained from Sister Lucy O'Sullivan RSC @ 087-6569179 or Andrew Fanthom @ 086-3257413.

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## 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 throughout the universe **A New Hymn of Praise** displayed;

- **Refrain:** 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

when I look down from lofty

mountain grandeur, and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain*:

*R*. A new hymn of praise let us sing to the Lord, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

1. This is the day the Lord has made; Ransom for sin his life he gave. R.

2. Bringing him gifts of bread and wine, We receive back, his life

Adoration in the Oratory. Spend some time in silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Dedicated Adorers are always required

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## **Recently Baptised**

**Rita Gacinta Socci Tadgh Sean Hartigan** 

Olivia Longo



#### Emily - Mae O'Keefe **James Thomas Farrell**

We welcome him into our Christian Community, and wish him every blessing in their lives ahead.

## St. Padre Pio Prayer Group

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 19th February. Rosary 6.45pm; Mass at 7.00pm. Followed by Blessing & Benediction. All Welcome.



St Agnes Parent and Toddler Group meet in the Parish Centre from 10am to 12 noon on Thursdays All welcome

St. Agnes Parish Walk and Talk group meet on Tuesdays in the Parish Centre at 10.30am. New members always welcome.

## Walk With Me

This popular booklet is available at the back of the Church. It is a Lenten journey of prayer and reflection for 2013. It is pocket size so you can carry it around with you to use at home or in the Church. As we buy the booklets in bulk, we can sell them for €1 each. So do buy your copy today and perhaps you might purchase an extra copy to give to a friend or relative or to somebody who is housebound.

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