



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

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Family Offering: €2,306
Share: €2,530
Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

Thought for the Week

"About the only thing that come to us without effort is old age" - Anonymus

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

Today we celebrate Priesthood Sunday- a special day in our diocese when we reflect on the call to serve the Lord and the Church through the ministry of priesthood. In his infinite love God has given us the gifts of the sacraments, and the gift of priesthood to administer these sacraments. Today we give thanks for gift of priesthood.

We pray today for priests throughout the world, that they may truly reflect in their lives the love of God. We pray for our seminarians who journey towards priesthood that they may be sustained in their journey. We pray for vocations to the priesthood, that generations yet to come may experience the peace and joy of the Sacramental life of the Church.

It is the priest who makes Christ present every day on the altars of the world. So today as we celebrate our Sunday Eucharist let us give thanks for the ministry of priesthood in our Church and may men young and not so young always have the courage to follow Jesus as priests in his Church. The Lord of the harvest does not cease to call men to follow him as priests, maybe he is calling you!

Fr. Michael

Where Are We Going {Part 2}

Last week I explained how the Team Ministries serving Crumlin, Mourne Rd, and Clogher Rd., were set up last September by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin. This weekend I will explain briefly where we have gone to date.

Three of the six priests appointed to the team are new to the area. It was important that they have a feel for their own parishes before moving on to work as a team. Since we are now sharing responsibility for the Pastoral area assigned to us the question asked was how were we to be identified in each Parish?

It was agreed by the team that the leaders should be called Parish Pastor in each Parish and the other members of the team should be called Parish Pastoral Leaders and Fr. John Foster and Fr. Paddy Brewster in Crumlin and Andrew Ryder in Mourne Rd should be called Team Assistants.

At this time we have a group of nine priests of which six are part of the Team who meet monthly. We are there to support each other, to work on projects together and support especially Fr. Melvyn Mullins in Clogher Rd. who is working in St. Bernadette's on his own.

It is difficult to measure what has been achieved over the past eight months, but we are getting to know each other and the needs of the Parish communities we serve, we are still searching, but the future demands that we work together for the good of our parishes. Keep us in your prayers.

Fr John

St Joseph's Young Priests Society

The next meeting will be on Thursday morning next May 14th in the Parish Centre **after** the 10.00am Mass. **All are Welcome to attend.**



Congratulations

The children of St. Agnes' Primary School made their First Holy Communion this weekend. May they always love the Mass and receive Jesus in Holy Communion. The teachers do much of the preparation work. It is now over to the parents to set the good example as they promised their children at their Baptism.



Trocaire

Now that Lent is over please return your Trocaire boxes to the Sacristy or the Parish Office. Many thanks for your support for the poor of the Third World. To date more than €5,000 has been sent in by Parishioners. Many thanks for your support for the poor of the Third World.

The Hanly Centre

With an address at The Mews, Eblana Ave., Dun Laoghaire. Phone 280 9795 provides a Counselling facility for families with alcoholic related problems. Their next programme begins on **Monday May 18th. At 7.30 pm.** For further information and booking please phone the office of The Hanly Centre.

Student Collection

This weekend the annual collection to support the formation and training of students for the Priesthood in the Diocese will be taken up at all Masses. This special collection will replace Share and we call on your generous support.

Welcome Back

May be I should say welcome home to Crumlin. Fr. Darryl D'Souza who has been visiting his family in India and doing some research for his degree at DCU, has returned to Ireland and he is **welcomed back to St. Agnes' where he gives us a helping hand.**



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 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.
3. Fatherlike he tends and spares us: Well our feeble frame he knows: In his hands he gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Praise Him, Praise Him, Praise Him, Praise Him, Widely as his mercy flows

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

- 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. 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.**

Let the Earth Rejoice and Sing

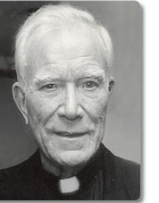
1. Let the earth rejoice and sing, alleluia, At the triumph of our King, alleluia, He ascends from mortal sight, alleluia, Reigns now at our Father's right, alleluia.
2. Jesus victor, hear our prayer, alleluia, In thy triumph let us share alleluia, Lift our minds and hearts above, alleluia, Strengthen all men in thy love, alleluia



The Rosary Priest

Many Irish emigrant priests have contributed to building up the Church in other lands. One such priest was Father Patrick Peyton who died in June 1992. We reproduce from the Irish Catholic an item on his life and celebrations to mark the 100th Anniversary of his birth in County Mayo. If you say your Rosary to-day spare a Hail Mary for him. He was a devoted priest and a loyal son of Ireland.

A statue in honour of Rosary Priest, Fr Patrick Peyton, was unveiled in his native Attymass, Co Mayo at the weekend of the 26th April. Born in 1909, Patrick later emigrated to the United States where he was ordained at Notre Dame University, in 1941, to the Congregation of Holy Cross despite a debilitating illness. It was his attributing of his recovery to the intercession of the Virgin Mary that led Fr Peyton to establish his Rosary Crusade, a drive that found much support in the United States and abroad, and led to his coining of the phrase 'The family that prays together stay together'. With the help of Hollywood star Bing Crosby, Fr. Peyton made the first of many radio broadcasts about his crusade in 1945, and later became a regular face on US television alongside numerous stars of the day. In this his centenary year, world wide events have been organised to mark his life and works. Fr. Peyton's centenary year will be further marked with All -Ireland Rosary Rally at Knock on June 6th from 2.00pm.



EASTER DUES

May we thank those who have already sent in their Easter dues. Dues are an important source of income for the priests of the Parish. We would ask you to send in your Easter Dues as soon as possible. Spare envelopes are available at the Church Exits

Eucharistic Adoration

Our Parish is blessed by having Eucharistic Adoration for the past five years.



Many parishioners have continued to make a weekly Holy Hour all this time. But as time passes, some have become ill or house-bound. We pray for them daily. **Now we are urgently requiring more volunteers for this great Apostolate.** Of course all are invited to spend at least a few minutes in Adoration as often as possible.

Please contact **085 108 6449 [after 6.00pm.]**

Bread of Life Prayer Group

Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Bachelors Walk. The Guest Speaker at this ceremony will be Fr. John Chisholm CSSp. The Ceremony will commence at 8pm on Monday 11th May. **ALL WELCOME**



Recently Deceased

Georgina O'Reilly, St Mary's Rd
We express our deepest sympathies to her family at this time.
May She Rest in Peace. Amen..

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 9th May 2009

7:00pm Shared Mass

Sunday 10th May 2009

- 9:00am Veronica & Bernard Smith {Anniv.}
- 10:00am Bridie Green {A}
- 11:00am Patrick Mooney Jnr {A}
- 12:00pm James Minnock {A}
- 1:00pm Laura Daly {A}
- 7:00pm Rose Mulvey {Months Mind}

May Their Souls and the Souls of All The Faithful Departed Rest In Peace. Amen

St Agnes Parish - Readers Roster

Saturday 16/05/09

7.00pm Marie Donoghue

Sunday 17/05/09

- 9.00am R Mc Dermott
- 10.00am Family Mass
- 11.00am A Maher & B Prior
- 12.00pm Edel Altman
- 1.00pm Nuala Talbot
- 7.00pm Pat Condon

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

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes



The Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 7th -12th September.

It will be led by Fr. Michael. The cost, including coach to and from Dublin Airport is €725. Booking has now opened at the Parish Office.