



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

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Fr. M. Kelly Ph. 4542308

Family Offering: €2,130
Priesthood Students: €5,419
Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

Thought for the Week

"Christ has turned all our sunsets into dawns" - St Clement of Rome

ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE

'This is my commandment: Love one another as I have loved you'. What we are called to is something more than natural love. It is super-natural love, a sharing in divine love. In today's second reading John says: 'This is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes away our sins away'. (1 Jon 4: 10)

Supernatural love is characterised by where it comes from: its source is God's own love which is living in the soul by the dwelling of the Holy Spirit.

True Christian love will show the characteristics of Christ's own love. His love was not limited to the people he liked. Like the Father whose sun shines and rain comes to good and bad alike, so the love of Christ did not discriminate between people. His love refused to be poisoned by the wrongs of others and their hurts. His forgiveness overcame any sense of personal hurt. He gave to the point of total self-sacrifice in laying down his life for our salvation. The pattern of Christ's love is the model for all Christians. 'Love one another, as I have loved you'.

Love must be practical. The Beatles sang, 'All you need is love' but in these days when people are losing their jobs, and money is tight, too many people know that love won't pay the bills or put food on the table. The challenge for all of us is to do whatever we can to support and help those who are in need, in that way God's love for his children is made real and active right here in our parish community.

Fr. Michael

Parish Council Update

Our New Parish Council has been up and running since February and a training day for members will take place on Saturday 13th June. It will be conducted by Leonard Kaye.

The members of the Council are:-

Priests: Fr John Deasy - President of the Council and Acting Chairperson, Fr Peter Coffey and Fr Michael Kelly.
Lay Members: Pat Dunn, Secretary, Fernvale Dr, Anne Maher, Dangan Pk, Una Sullivan, Dowland Rd, Teresa Bolger, Cherryfield Ave., Gerry Cully, Stanaway Ave., Richie McDermott, John McCormack Ave., Joe Keegan, Cherryfield Rd (who was chair of the previous Council)

Items under discussion at our last meeting include the upcoming Year of Evangelisation, Team Ministry Report, Appointment of a Parish Pastoral Worker, 75th Anniversary of St Agnes Church, planning our celebrations.

If any Parishioner would care to raise an issue, please write to the Secretary of the Parish Pastoral Council at the Parish Office.

Final Call for Trocaire

Please return your Trocaire boxes to the Sacristy or the Parish Office. To date more than €7,000 has been sent in by Parishioners. Many thanks for your support for the poor of the Third World.



Congratulations

The children of Scoil Colm 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.



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

Recently Baptised

Holly Ruby Burke
Kayla Carly Craven
Daisy Michelle Quinn
Bailey William McGovern
Ivana Maria Cullen



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

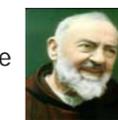
MISSION AWARENESS

THE FRANCISCAN MISSIONARY SISTERS FOR AFRICA WILL TALK AT ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND 16TH & 17TH MAY.

THEY WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE FIRST HAND INFORMATION ON THE SPREADING OF THE GOOD NEWS IN AFRICA. YOU WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO COOPERATE IN THIS WORK BY YOUR PRAYERS AND CONTRIBUTIONS.

St. Padre Pio

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 19th May 2009.



Rosary 6.45pm; Mass 7.00pm. Followed by Benediction and Blessing. **All are Welcome.**

STUDENT COLLECTION

Many thanks for your generous support for our students for the Diocese, attending Maynooth College. This years collection amounted to €5,419, up €1,000 from 2008. Well Done

PAINTING CONTRACTORS

We invite interested registered painting contractors to send in their names to the Parish Office (Ph: 01-4555 368) on or before Friday next 22nd May.

All the external doors of St Agnes Church need repainting and some other minor work requires attention. We are anxious to support local contractors in these recessionary times.



Patricians

A talk and discussion on the Many Faces of Mary will be held on Thursday 21st May at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre organised by the Legion of Mary. Refreshments will be served. **All are Welcome**

Alzheimer Tea Morning

The 'Tea morning' held in the Parish Centre last Thursday raised a total of €747.85 in aid of the Alzheimer Society of Ireland. Sincere Thanks to all for their generosity



VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY REQUIRED TO SELL SUNFLOWER PINS FOR OUR LADY'S HOSPICE, HAROLD'S CROSS & BLACKROCK HOSPICE ON SUNFLOWER DAYS: 12TH & 13TH JUNE 2009



If you can spare a few hours to lend a hand please contact Ann on 01 491 2510 (Office hours 9am - 5pm, Mon-Fri)

Concert in aid of Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin

The St. Olaf Choir, Minnesota. USA

Conductor: Anton Armstrong Organist: John Ferguson
Performing a Repertoire from the Baroque through to the 21st Century including American Spirituals

On Saturday June 6th at 8 PM in Christ Church Cathedral Dublin Admission: €15.00. Tickets are available from: Wynn's Hotel Abbey Street Dublin Tel: 01 8745131; The Children's Medical Research Foundation, 14-18 Drimmagh Road Tel: 01 4096300 or at the door on the night All proceeds to : Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin



Come O Creator

1. Come O Creator Spirit blest, And in our hearts take up they rest, Come with thy grace and heav'nly aid, To fill the hearts which thou hast made.
2. Great Paraclete to thee we cry, O highest gift of God most high, O fount of life, O fire of love, And sweet anointing from above.
3. All glory while the ages run, Be to the Father and the Son, Who rose from death; the same to thee, O Holy Ghost, eternally

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 that 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.**

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



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 honor pay, Our adoration and our praise

Recently Deceased

*Ellen Barrett, Bunting Rd
Hannah Couch, Lisle Rd
Anna May Reilly, Windmill Ave.*
We express our deepest sympathies to their families at this time.
May They Rest in Peace. Amen..

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 16th May 2009

7:00pm Shared Mass

Sunday 17th May 2009

- 9:00am Jimmy Byrne {15th A}
- 10:00am Margaret Kennedy {7th A}
- 11:00am Thomas Reddy {A}
- 12:00pm Byrne & Collins Families
- 1:00pm Josie Allen {A}
- 7:00pm Laurence Whelan {A}

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

St Agnes Parish - Readers Roster

Saturday 23/05/09

7.00pm Pauline Byrne

Sunday 24/05/09

- 9.00am V McDermott & J Chalmers
- 10.00am Family Mass
- 11.00am P Morrison & T O'Byrne
- 12.00pm Richard Tobin
- 1.00pm Catherine Nagle
- 7.00pm Anne Kilday

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.

