



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

Fr. J. Deasy P.P. Ph. 4550955  
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**Family Offering: €2,005  
Share: €2,476**

*Many thanks for your continued support and generosity*

**Thought for the Week**

*"Holy Spirit, bless and empower efforts to evangelize and win men and woman for Christ" - "Bible Alive"*

**Examination Time**

The next few weeks will be a stressful time for all those students doing exams and indeed for their families. It's often said that its at time of stress and anxiety that people are more likely to turn to prayer and indeed you do tend to see more people dropping into church to light a candle or say a few prayers at exam times. And when you read these words from a psalm you can see how reassuring they are for anyone who feels vulnerable and under stress:

*Be a rock of refuge to me,  
a mighty stronghold to save me,  
for you are my rock, my stronghold.  
For your name's sake, lead me and guide me*



At a time when students are being told day after day that their future somehow depends on how they perform in their upcoming exams, it is indeed a blessed relief to be reminded that their hopes for the future do not rely on their own efforts alone. The exams will soon be over and whatever happens the story of their lives will still remain to be written.

So over the next few weeks let us be mindful of the pressure on our Leaving and Junior Cert students, and support them in whatever way we can. Let us also remember that for those doing the Leaving Cert this week marks the end of some thirteen years or more of school attendance, and in the middle of all the thought about the future, spare a moment to give thanks for all those teachers parents and others who have helped them get to this stage in their lives, where they are now ready to move on to new challenges.

*Michael O'Sullivan*

**Senior Help Line**

Do you need someone to talk to? Senior Help Line is a confidential listening service for older people by older people for the price of a local call anywhere in Ireland, LoCall 1850 440 444. Senior Help Line is open every day from 10am until 4 pm and 7pm till 10pm, 365 days a year.

Older people call us for many reasons. They may feel lonely, isolated or have family or health worries. A small proportion may fear or be experiencing elder abuse, or are depressed and feel they don't have the strength to carry on.

Senior Help Line 's trained older volunteers offer a friendly, listening and non-judgmental ear to all callers. So don't be alone with your problem. Lifting the phone lessens the loneliness. We will be waiting for your call. LoCall 1850 440 444.

**Bank Holiday Monday June 1<sup>st</sup>**

Bread of Life Prayer Group  
Blessed Sacrament Chapel  
Bachelors Walk

Mass for healing with Fr. Ronnie Mitchell 7.30 pm.

*All are welcome.*



**Flora Mini Marathon**

Play your part and take part this year to raise funds for the National Children's Hospital Tallaght

The National Children's Hospital, Tallaght are calling on all ladies to 'Do it for the Kids' and run, jog or walk this year's Women's Mini Marathon on Monday, 1st June 2009



**Diamond Jubilee 1949-2009**

This September the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes has an allocation of 175 places on the **Special Section for the Sick.**

The sick pilgrims are accommodated in the Accueil Notre Dame which is situated close to the Grotto, and are cared for by the voluntary doctors, nurses and helpers from all over the diocese.

Our Parish Pilgrimage travels with the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Booking for our Parish Group continues in the Parish Office. The Parish of St. Agnes would like to financially assist in sending a sick pilgrim to Lourdes. **Please Contact the Parish office for details.**

**Baptismal Mass**

This years gathering of babies who were baptised in St. Agnes in the past year and their parents will take place at the **12.00noon Mass on Sunday June 28th.**

Invitations will be going out soon.  
**Keep the date in your diary.**

**Advance Notice**

**As last year on the five Sundays of August, there will be no Sunday Evening Mass. Between Saturday evening and Sunday lunchtime we will continue to provide the usual Sunday Masses.**

**Recently Baptised**

**Teghan Kinsella-Kearns  
Abbie Jackson  
Nikoai John Reilly  
James Daniel O'Dowd**



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

**Election Day.**

We will all be glad to see the campaign come to an end. I am tired looking at the faces of some of the candidates looking at me every time I open my front door of number 55.

Friday next is election day and may I remind everyone that is your civil duty to cast your vote on Friday.

Many people in other countries would be glad of the freedom and the opportunity to vote in their countries. Please vote this week if at all possible.

**Pentecost.**

This weekend we welcome our Confirmation children to our Family Mass. We know for one reason or another they cannot all be with us, but we are reminded that Confirmation is not a One Day Sacrament but the occasion when the Holy Spirit is there for all of us to guide and direct our lives helping us to have good lives and be true and faithful followers of Jesus Christ.



**Called to Mission**

On Pentecost Sunday 1703 Claude Poullart des Places founded the Congregation of the Holy Spirit as a missionary congregation. This year the Spiritans as they are now called celebrate a 150 years of presence and mission in and from Ireland and the 300th anniversary of the death of their founder. The Holy Ghost Congregation have been our near neighbours in Kimmage Manor for many years. From their college there, generations of Irish Missionaries have served in Africa and other mission territories. We congratulate them on this milestone in their history and may they continue to bring the light of the Gospel to the nations under the guidance and the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Feast of St. Kevin**

St. Kevin whose Feast Day is next Wednesday 3rd June grew up in Kilnashanny up the road from St. Agnes' where he received his early religious formation.



Wishing to be a hermit he crossed the mountains to Glendalough where he devoted himself to prayer and penance. Disciples began to gather around him. Gradually the great monastic settlement grew and spread through the glen after his death in 618 AD. Kevin along with St. Lawrence O'Toole are patron saints of our Diocese.

**St Kevin, Pray for Us**

**Church Gate Collection**

This Weekend 's collection is in aid of Pax Christi. The Irish branch works to heighten awareness of the dangers of landmines, and promotes peace in the world. They ask your generous support

**Perrystown Area Community Games**  
Family fun day! On Sunday 7th June from 12.30pm - 3.30pm Athletic and Track Events.  
In 8 acre fields - Under 6 to Under 16.

**Weight Watchers**

Classes are held in **St. Agnes Parish Centre on Thursday Evenings at 6.30pm.**



**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

**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



**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.**

**Sweet Heart of Jesus**

1. Sweet Heart of Jesus, Fount of love and mercy, Today we come, thy blessing to implore; O touch our hearts, So cold and so ungrateful, And make them Lord, Thine own for evermore.
2. Sweet Heart of Jesus, We implore O make us love Thee more and more.
2. Sweet Heart of Jesus, Make us pure and gentle, And teach us how To do Thy blessed will; To follow close The print of Thy dear footsteps, And when we fall - sweet heart, oh, love us still. **R.**

**Recently Deceased**  
*Maureen Burke, Iveagh Garden  
Anne Rafferty, Derry Dr*  
*We express our deepest sympathies to their families at this time.*  
*May They Rest in Peace. Amen..*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday 30th May 2009**

7:00pm Shared Mass

**Sunday 31st May 2009**

- 9:00am Mr & Mrs Connolly & Family
- 10:00am Sean & Julia Toner {A}
- 11:00am William Smyth {9th A}
- 12:00pm Christopher Mc Donagh
- 1:00pm Michael Corcoran {A}
- 7:00pm Stanley Brennan {A}

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

**St Agnes Parish - Readers Roster**

**Saturday 06/06/09**

7.00pm Jean Cleary

**Sunday 07/06/09**

- 9.00am Vera Brennan
- 10.00am Family Mass
- 11.00am M. Finnegan & K Kennedy
- 12.00pm Pat Corrigan
- 1.00pm Liam Buckley
- 7.00pm Teresa Murray

*If you cannot make your reading, please contact John Green. The next readers meeting is on Monday 15th June @ 7:45pm*

**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.**