



### Recently Deceased

Jimmy Cullen, Cashel Rd.  
Barry Turner, Clonmacnoise Grove  
We express our deepest sympathies to  
Their families at this time.  
May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 26th 2010

- 9:00am Michael & Dolly Lee {A}
- 10:00am John Brady {40th A}
- 11:00am Bridget Downes {A}
- 12:00pm Bridget & Leo O'Neill {A}
- 1:00pm Benjamin Lewis & William Byrne {A}
- 7:00pm {A}

May Their Souls and the Souls of All The

### St Agnes Parish - Readers Roster

Saturday, January 1st 2011

- 7.00pm P Byrne & C Heavey
- Sunday, January 2nd 2011
- 9.00am V McDermott & J Chalmers
  - 10.00am Family Mass
  - 11.00am T O'Byrne
  - 12.00pm Richard Tobin
  - 1.00pm Catherine Nagle
  - 7.00pm John Green

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

### CEREMONY OF FAREWELL to 2010

On Friday 31st December at 4pm in St Agnes's Church, we invite our Parishioners and friends to join us for a Service of Farewell for the Old Year and to ask God's Blessing as the New Year approaches. The preacher will be Canon John Flaherty. Refreshments in the Parish Centre Afterwards.

All are welcome to come and join us for this Ceremony

### ST AGNES' PARISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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### Priests of the Parish

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- Fr. M. Scott Ph. 4650712

Family Offering: €

SHARE: €

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

### Thought for the Week

"Winter is the time for Comfort, it is the time for hope" - Edith Sitwell

### Another Year of Opportunity

I often have my doubts about the value of New Year resolutions. Many of them have been broken so quickly and so often in the past. And still there is something to be said in their favour. They remind us that there are things in our lives that need to change and that we recognise the need to take action. The New Year resolutions that we make are a sure sign of our desire to change, to do something about the situation we find ourselves in. At the end of the year we tend to look back, to take stock; at the beginning of the year we think of plans, things we should or might do.

Certainly the world of 2010 seems like a dark place to many. Hope placed in the banks and other institutions have proven to be misplaced and economies have crumbled. Unemployment has been rising and for many families the future appears to be bleak. For us as a people, a nation, and as a Church, it has been a difficult year and Advent has given us the opportunity to pause, to reflect to rediscover the power of God's love and to recognise our need for Him and His healing, now more than ever.

The situation is not helped by the powerlessness people feel; it seems as if there is nothing they can do to improve their situation, that the crisis is too great for one person to make an impact.

For the people of Israel 2000 years ago the situation was equally bleak and God sent a child, born in a stable, a child who lived among the powerless, to be our Saviour. This is the same God who holds our hand and gives us hope when we're in difficult situations. It is the same God who gives us hope, the God who listens when we cry out in despair, the God who brings light into the darkest corners of our world. There will also be times of joy and happiness. It is always springtime in the heart that loves God. What happens during the year ahead is not totally out of our hands. We have a say in the future. It may mean laying aside some of our fears and taking a risk to try and create a better world. We cannot change the world on our own but we can through our faith, hope and love make a significant contribution to that small patch we inhabit.

A Happy New Year filled with opportunities for all of us! Sr. Margaret.

### Christmas Dues.

The Dues envelope you receive through your door at Christmas And Easter helps to support the priests of the Parish.

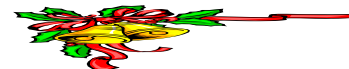
They are an important source of income for the Clergy. All working people in the house should be asked to contribute.

Spare envelopes are available at the Church exits.

We thank you for your generosity in the past.

### Message for the Housebound

Our thoughts are with you at this time of year. We hope you are having a good Christmas. If anyone is confined to home and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office and someone will call. The Parish Office sells the special radios to enable people to listen at home to all celebrations in St Agnes Church. They are a great asset to those who are housebound



### Christmas Carols

Please Join with us in Singing Our Carols this Christmas and New Year

#### 1. Adeste Fideles

1. Adeste fideles, laeti triumphantes, Venite, venite in Bethlehem. Natum videte, regem angelorum, Venite adoremus, venete adoremus, venete adoremus dominum.

2. Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine, Gestant puellae viscera. Deum verum, genitum non factum, Venite adoremus, venete adoremus, venete adoremus dominum.

#### 2. Away in a Manger

1. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head, the star in the bright sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.

2. The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes, I love thee Lord Jesus look down from the sky, And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

3. Be near me Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay close by me forever and love me I pray. Bless all the dear children in thy tender care and fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

#### 3. While Shepherds Watched

1. While shepherds watched their flocks by night, all seated on the ground, the angel of the Lord came down, and glory shone around

2. "Fear not", said he, for mighty dread, Had seized their troubled mind. "Glad tidings of great joy I bring to you and all mankind"

3. "All glory be to God on high, and on the earth be peace; Good will henceforth from heaven to men, begin and never cease.

### World Peace Day.

This year the occasion will be celebrated in the Diocese at a Special Mass in University Church, St. Stephen's Green on New Years Day @ 11am.

### Prayer Card.

The Parishes in our Pastoral Area of Crumlin, Mourne Rd, & Clogher Rd have issued a Prayer Card for use in the Family Home. We hope you will use it to bring prayer into family life. Spare copies are available free from Carmel at the back of the Church or from the Parish Shop.

#### 4. Once in Royal David's City.

1. Once in royal David's city Stood a lowly cattle shed, Where a mother laid her baby In a manger for his bed; Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

2. He came down to earth from heaven, Who is God and Lord of all, And his shelter was a stable, And his cradle was a stall; With the poor, and mean, and lowly, Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

#### 5. Silent Night

1. Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright round yon virgin, mother and child; Holy infant so tender and mild, sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

2. Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight, glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing alleluia; Christ the Saviour is born, Christ the Saviour is born.

3. Silent night, holy night, Son of God, loves pure light, Radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord at thy birth, Jesus Lord at thy birth.

#### 6. Angels We Have Heard on High

1. Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains, and the mountains in reply echo still their joyous strains

Refrain: Gloria in Excelsis Deo, Gloria in Excelsis Deo.

2. Shepherds why this jubilee? Why your rapturous strain prolong? Say what may your tidings be, which inspire your heavenly song. Refrain

3. Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose birth the angels sing; come, adore on bended knee, Christ our Lord the new born king. Refrain

4. See within a manger laid, Jesus, Lord of Heaven and earth. Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, while our hearts in love we raise. Refrain

### Perrystown/Manor Estate Social & Fund-Raising Committee. New Year's Eve Dance

The Community Centre, Limekiln Lane on Friday 31st, Dec. Dancing 9pm to 1.30am, with music by 'The Good Times'

Tickets/enqs Phone 456 2373 or 087 9939248

### Parish Office - Opening Hours over Christmas & New Year.

The office will be open again on Wednesday 29th & Thursday 30th Dec. from 10.30am to 12.00 noon only. The office will be closed on New Years Eve. Normal office hours will resume on Tuesday 4th January 2011.

