



## ST AGNES' PARISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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### Priests of the Parish

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Family Offering: € 2,231

SHARE: € 2,176

Many thanks for your continued  
support and generosity

### Recently Deceased

Des Dunne, Esposito Rd.  
Anthony [Tony] Kelly, Whitechurch  
Ave  
Mark Murray, Cashel Ave.  
We express our deepest sympathies to  
their families at this time.  
May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 18th 2011

7:00pm Shared Mass

Sunday, June 19th 2011

9:00am Bill Brennan {A}  
10:00am Bolger & Carroll families {A}  
11:00am Brendan Kilduff {1st A} &  
members of the Kilduff &  
Murphy families  
12:00pm Mary & Michael Kelly {A}  
1:00pm Mary & Michael Kelly {A}  
7:00pm Kay Lee {3rd A}

### St Agnes Parish - Readers Roster

Saturday, July 2nd 2011

7.00pm Jean Cleary

Sunday, July 3rd 2011

9.00am Vera Brennan  
10.00am Catherine Nagle  
11.00am M Finnegan & K Kennedy  
12.00pm John Green  
1.00pm Liam Buckley  
7.00pm Pat Corrigan

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

The Church Gate Collection this  
weekend is in aid of Pax Christi,  
which works to build peace, and  
change policies with regard to the use  
of landmines, cluster bombs etc. .

Please be as generous as possible.

### Parish Pastoral Council.

At our June meeting, Richard McDermott has stood down as Chairperson, as he is returning to fulltime education. Pat Dunn is taking over the role of Chairperson and Teresa Bolger will replace Pat as Secretary to the Council. The tenure of the present Council expires in the Autumn of 2012. Richard has been an excellent Chairperson and we will miss him very much. Fr. John thanked him on behalf of our parishioners and his fellow Council members. We wish Pat very well in her new role. Richard will continue on the International Eucharistic Congress Committee for our Pastoral Area of Crumlin, Mourne Road and Clogher Road.

### Collection in aid of –

Peter's Pence, which supports Papal Charities will be taken up at the 2nd Collection next weekend in place of Share. You are asked to be generous in your support.

### Thought for the Week

"Joy does not simply happen to us-we have to choose joy." - Henri Nouwen

### The Communion in Between!

A little girl in a white veil approaches in procession for her first Holy Communion. There have been big events in her life—birthdays, Santa Claus, but this Holy Communion is the climax of her young life. Her eyes are focussed on the Host. She receives it on the palm and passes it with reverence to her mouth, God is with her now.

An old woman waits on her deathbed for her last Holy Communion. There have been big events in her life - her wedding, her first child, the first time she was called 'Nannie'. Now with her last Holy Communion, comes the climax of old age. God is with her now, as she will be with Him for all eternity.

The first Holy Communion is always a fervent one. So is the last. We bring to the first the freshness of youth; we bring to the last the awful clarity that age brings to life! What about the Communion in between? How do we approach them?

Firstly in Holy Communion, Our Lord nourishes us. He gives us food for our souls. What solid food does for an adult, Holy Communion does for the soul. By receiving regularly we thrive spiritually on the body and blood of Christ.

Secondly, in Holy Communion, Our Lord makes us one with Himself. The most intimate relationship we know is that of man and wife, where two people live with one another all their lives. The intimacy born of Communion is closest of all. 'Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in that person.' [Jn 6:56]

Thirdly, in Holy Communion, Our Lord makes us one with each other. It's not purely a love-affair between Our Lord and yourself but a love-affair that embraces the whole community. Not just my Communion with Christ, but our Communion with each other in Christ. It's not just a personal sacrament. It's a social sacrament too, a circle that includes yourself, Christ and all your neighbours. Pray for Parish Community, that it will grow ever more united as one family in Christ.

Sr. Margaret.

### CONGRESS COLLECTION

The Special Collection to help defray the cost of next years International Eucharistic Congress in June 2012 will be taken up at all Masses on this weekend 25th & 26th June in the Archdiocese of Dublin. You are asked to be generous as such a major event costs money and there will be no state aid. It will replace the SHARE Collection.



### Parish Pilgrimage to Knock

Our Annual Pilgrimage will take place on the last Thursday in August which this year is the 25th August. Coach departing from the Church at 8.30am. There will be the usual morning stop for tea, coffee and scone in Strokestown. Full ceremonies in Knock with a Chaplain from the Parish. Four course meal on the return journey at the same Hotel, The Percy French. The cost is €42—the same as last year.

Book with Mary in the Parish Office. Early booking is advisable.



### Family Fun Day

Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2.30-5.30pm.  
St Agnes Church Grounds.

Games, music and entertainment for all the family. We look forward to meeting you there. Thanks to the Scouts for all their assistance. Cakes and buns will be gratefully received on the day in the Parish Centre.

### All Ireland Rally for Life.

Celebrating Life.-Protection of the Unborn.  
July 2nd in Parnell Square, Dublin 1.

This is also a fun day family oriented event with more and more people of all ages taking part. It has been endorsed by cardinal Brady and archbishop Martin.

For further details.

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### Sing Praise to our Creator.

1. Sing praise to our Creator, O sons of Adam's race, God's children by adoption, baptised into his grace. Praise the holy Trinity, undivided unity; Holy God, mighty God, God immortal, be adored.
2. To Jesus .Christ give glory, God's co-eternal Son; As members of his body we live in him as one. Praise the Holy Trinity, undivided unity, Holy God, mighty God, God immortal be adored.

### Lord Accept the Gifts we offer

1. Lord, accept the gifts we offer, at this Eucharistic feast; Bread and wine to be transformed now, Through the action of thy priest. Take us too Lord and transform us, Be thy grace in us increased
2. May our souls be pure and spotless, As this host of wheat so fine, May all stain of sin be crushed out, Like the grape that forms the wine, As we, too, become partakers. In this sacrifice divine.

### 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, 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.

### Holy God We Praise Thy Name.

1. Holy God we praise Thy name. Lord of all we bow before Thee. All on Earth thy sceptre own. All in heaven above adore Thee. Endless is Thy vast domain Everlasting is Thy reign.
2. Hark, with loud and pealing Hymn, Thee the angel choirs are praising; Cherubim and Seraphim, one unceasing chorus praising, ever sing with sweet accord, Holy, holy, holy Lord .



### Father John's Jubilee.

I would like to thank very sincerely all who sent cards, messages and gifts to mark the Golden Jubilee of my Ordination which we celebrated in the Parish last month. It was a wonderful occasion for me and my family and once again I wish to express my gratitude to all involved in the Jubilee Mass and in the 'afters' in the Parish Centre. May God bless you all for your kindness and generosity.

Fr. John.

P.S. It would appear that I will be in my present position until the end of August, when I will be replaced. However as already revealed I will be taking a three month break and will return as an assistant priest in early December. This presumes that Archbishop Martin approves of my proposal.

### Booking Masses.

As there is uncertainty about our future staff levels we await the Diocesan Changes which we expect in mid July. In the meantime Sunday Mass bookings for January next, which open usually on July 1st will not now begin until August 1st. By that time we will know how many priests we will have from Autumn onwards. It is very likely we will be reducing the amount of Masses on Sunday mornings from January 2012. This will also mean a change in Mass times. However it is our intention to continue with the present Mass arrangements until the end of this year, with the exception of July and August as already testified to you elsewhere in this Newsletter.

### Sacred Heart Novena St Bernadette's, Clogher Road.

Novena continues in St. Bernadette's, Clogher Rd. @ 7.30 each evening & concludes on July 1st, which is the Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass and Anointing of the Sick will take place this Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm. Penitential Service will take place on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm.

S.F.O. Meeting takes place Mon 27th @ 3-4pm. Columban Sisters. Also takes place July 25th & August 22nd.

Tomás Mulligan Memorial Cycle: Dublin-Athlone-Dublin, Sat/Sun 13th/14th August. All Proceeds to Pieta House. Contact Bernard 043 667 2888 or 087 293 7024. or Thomas 086 604 1761

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