Kids Corner

Vincent de Paul Special Collection.

The Society wish to thank all who donated to the collection and would be grateful for further help as this year there are extra demands from people suffering hardship in a time of recession and budget cuts.

Thank you for your generosity.
The amount was **€ 13,051**

Candle Care

Just a little reminder to take care when lighting candles. They carry with them a warning of danger. Particularly, would you please supervise children. Our shrines are ablaze with candles on Christmas Day. We would not like you to be ablaze as well !!

As Christmas Day falls on a Thursday this year, a Christmas Day Newsletter will be printed and will be repeated on Sunday 28th December. The regular weekly newsletter will resume from Sunday 4th January

Christmas Arrangements 2014

Carols by Candlelight

Wednesday 17th *No Evening Mass*
Carol Service in St. Agnes Church will begin at 7.00pm

Confessions for Christmas

Saturday 13th 7.00pm Mass
Penitential Service with Confessions during Mass in Clogher Road

Monday 15th at 7.30pm
Penitential Service with Confessions in St. Agnes'

Saturday 20th after 10.00am Mass
Penitential Service with Individual Confessions in Mourne Road

Christmas Eve Confessions in St. Agnes'
10.30am-12.30pm and 3.00pm-5.00pm

Masses for Christmas

CHRISTMAS EVE: 7.00pm and 9.00pm Vigil Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY: 9.30am, 11.00am and 12.30pm
No 7.00pm Evening Mass

St. Stephen's Day: 10.00am ***only***

Saturday 27th Dec. 10.00am ***only***

Sunday 28th Dec. Vigil Mass Sat. at 7.00pm
Sun. 9.30am, 11.00am, 12.30pm and 7.00pm

Monday 29th Dec. - Saturday 3rd Jan. 2015
9.00am and 10.00am only. ***No Evening Mass***

Sunday 4th Jan. 2015 Vigil Mass Sat. at 7.00pm
Sun. 9.30am, 11.00am, 12.30pm and 7.00pm

Feast of the Epiphany

Tuesday 6th January 2015

Monday 5th 7.00pm Vigil Mass

Tuesday 6th at 9.00am, 10.00am and 7.00pm

Christmas Dues

The Dues Envelope you receive through your door at Christmas and Easter help to support the priests of the Parish. They are an important source of income for the clergy. We thank you for your generosity in the past.

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21st December 2014 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

Priests of the Parish

Fr Paul Tyrrell:	455 5368
Fr David Fleming:	454 2308
Fr John Deasy:	455 0955
Fr Tom Clowe:	455 5605
Deacon	
Rev Jimmy Fennell:	455 5368

St Agnes Church Mass Times

Weekday Masses:- 9.00am; 10.00 am; 7.00pm

Saturday Vigil Mass:- 7.00pm
Sunday Masses:- 9.30am; 11.00 am (*Family)*; 12.30pm *(Choir)*; 7.00pm
Holy day Masses:- 7.00pm Vigil; 9.00am; 10.00am; 7.00pm

Confession Times

Saturdays from 10.30am to 11.30am & 6.45pm

Eve of First Fridays after 10.00am Mass & 6.45pm

COFFEE DOCK

The Coffee Dock in St Agnes Parish Centre is open Monday to Friday from 10.00am-12.00 noon.

Call in any day to savour the friendly atmosphere, have a cuppa and some chat with neighbours and friends

Last Weekend's Collections

1st Collection:	**€ 1,849**
SVP:	**€ 13,051**
Family Offering:	**€ 1,440**

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

Thought for the Week

Advent increases our hope, a hope which does not disappoint. The Lord never lets us down. Pope Francis

THE DEEP END • Yes, mother

We sometimes distance ourselves from the real encounter here. As Margaret Silf notes, we sometimes 'put Mary into a glass case, surround her with flowers, and avoid the personal consequences of this moment'. And there could have been very severe consequences for Mary, even death by stoning. Mary's yes is an example of completely surrendering to God's will. She surrenders her motherhood, her entire life to God.

We can think today of those who mother against the odds in our world. In places where there is no food, no clean water, the threat of disease, of torture; those who watch their children suffer from addiction or violence. And we remember those who are the angel Gabriel's of the world, bringing good news and hope that 'nothing is impossible'.

'Hail Mary, woman of Nazareth, home maker, cleaner, preparer of food, fetcher of water, God is with you in your everyday excursions in this ordinary town. Blessed are you among women and blessed indeed are women in their everyday lives, in the confines of family life, in the ambivalence of decision making, in the silences and blessed are the fruits of all our labours'. Janet Lees

Jane Mellett, Email janemellett@yahoo.com

Courtesy of Intercom Magazine

Thank You

The Missionary Sisters of St. Columban wish to thank most sincerely our very energetic, dedicated working committee, catering crew, volunteers male and female, people of the parish, friends, benefactors and families for their unfailing support and generosity making our Christmas Fair a success despite the Monsoon – like rain on the day.

As always our profound gratitude goes to the priests of the parish for the use of the facilities, their generosity and kind support. We remember too and appreciate the very warm welcome extended by them to the Columban family on the recent launch marking the 1400 Death Anniversary of St. Columban in 2015. The gentle, unobtrusive assistance given to the Concelebrants insured that the Liturgy flowed smoothly and reverently. For all of this we thank them.

The choir as always obliged and did us proud.

Christmas Blessings and every good wish to each one for the New Year.

A Novena of Masses will be offered for you during this Holy Season as our way of repaying your unfailing generosity.

The Columban Sisters

PARISH CALENDARS - St Agnes Calendars for 2015 are available at all the exits it you would like to take one home.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 20th December 2014

7.00pm **Anniversaries**
Kathleen Graham 1st
Carmel Fox 3rd
Dorothy Delaney 4th
Charlie Delaney 4th
Tommy Murray 18th
Theresa Murray
Michael Murray
Michael & Lena Gavigan
John Brady
Edward & Mary Eaton
Billy Dunne
Carmel & Joe Curran
James & Mary O'Donoghue
Eileen Mulcahy
Tess Callery
John McGuinness
John Joseph McGuinness
Kennedy Family
James & Kathleen Mannion
Deceased members of Clery, O'Neill, Ward, Weafer, Kemp, Crosbie and Miley Families

SUNDAY 21st December 2014

9.30am Denise Long Traynor

11.00am **Anniversaries**
Noel McGahern 2nd
Laurence Flynn 10th
Tom & Chris Walsh
Margaret Quinn
Conway & Dowling families
John Devlin & Anne Devlin
Vincent & Aileen Gough
Michael & Margaret McArdle
Bridie McDonnell
Remembrance
Denis & Bridie Cuffe

12.30pm **Months Mind**
George McGreal
Anniversaries
Noel McGahern 2nd
Greta Macken 3rd
Laurence Flynn 10th
Sean Kavanagh & Eithne Muir
Mary & Michael Kelly
Elizabeth & Michael Kelly
Mary & John Fagan

Birthday Remembrance
Noel Quinn
David Wickham & Ashling Wickham

7.00pm Pro Populo

Monday 22 December 2014
9.00am Tony Tighe Anniversary
7.00pm Sean Walsh 8th Anniversary

Tuesday 23 December 2014
9.00am Gertrude Branagan
7.00pm Louis Currin Months Mind

Wednesday 24 December 2014
9.00am Daniel Whelan 20th Anniversary

May their Souls and the Souls of all the Faithful departed Rest In Peace. Amen

Our Recently Deceased

John Kirwin, Clonmacnoise Rd
Pat Lokko, Durrow Rd
Alice DeLittle. Hillsbrook Crest
Eileen Byrne, O'Brien Rd
Maura Corcoran, Esposito Rd
We express our deepest sympathies to their families at this sad time.

May they Rest in Peace. Amen.

St Agnes Parish Reader's Roster

If you cannot make your scheduled Reading please contact John Green

Saturday 27th December 2014

7:00pm	R Clarke & P Condon

Sunday 28th December 2014

9:30am	Jeanine Chalmers
11:00am	John Green
12:30pm	Richard Tobin
7:00pm	Sr Margaret

The Week Ahead…

Sunday 21st	4th Sunday of Advent
Monday 22nd	
Tuesday 23rd	St John of Kanty, priest
Wednesday 24th	Christmas Eve
Thursday 25th	The Nativity of the Lord
Friday 26th	St Stephen, 1st Martyr
Saturday 27th	St John, Apostle & evangelist

RECENTLY BAPTISED

Elsie Kali Bradley
Faith Christine O'Toole

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
The Oratory will be closed over the Christmas period from 7pm on Monday 22nd December until 9am on Monday 5th January 2015. The Adoration team wish everyone a Happy, Holy and Healthy Christmas

MASS HYMNS

ENTRANCE HYMN

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here,
until the Son of God appear.

(R) *Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel,*
to you shall come Emmanuel.

2. O come, O come, thou Lord of might
who to thy troops on Sinai's height
in ancient times did give the Law
in cloud and majesty and awe. ***(R)***

THE FIRST NOWELL

1. The first Nowell the angel did say,
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Ref: *Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Born is the King of Israel!*

2. They looked up and saw a star,
shining in the east, beyond them far,
and to the earth it gave great light,
and so it continued both day and night. ***Ref***

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts,
shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your Church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. ***Refrain***

St. Agnes Church Mass Cards, the Intention of Donor will be remembered in all Masses on Christmas Day.
(€5 per pack of 10 cards)

Now Available from Parish Office & Church Repository.

Christmas Dues

Spare envelopes available at Church exits. Christmas dues help to support he Priests of the parish. They are an important source of income for the Clergy.

We thank you most sincerely for your generosity in the past.

The Carers Association is providing QQI (FETAC) Level 5 Palliative Care Support Training from 21/01/2015 one day a week for five weeks.

This is one of the elective modules towards the Full Healthcare Award.

For more info contact the training unit on 057 93 22920

Advance Notice of the Parish Office opening hours over Christmas and New Year.

The Office will close Lunchtime Tuesday 23rd and re-open again on Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th from 10.30am to 12 noon only. The office will be closed on New Year's Day. Normal hours will resume on Friday 2nd January 2015.

CAKE SALE The Crumlin Unit of the Order of Malta are holding a cake sale in the Parish Centre on Sunday 21st December from 9.30 – 1.30. All are welcome.

CHOIR SERVICES

Carol Service: Harrington Street Parish will host their Advent Carol Service on Sunday 21st December at 3.30 p.m. in St Kevin's church, Harrington Street, Dublin 8. Music by the Lassus Scholars and Piccolo Lasso, under the direction of Dr Ite O'Donovan, with organist Dr Paul McKeever; concluding with Solemn Benediction. All are very welcome.

Pro Cathedral Choir Service Sunday 21st December - 3.30 p.m. with the Palestrina Choir and St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral Girls' Choir.
Director Blánaid Murphy. Organist Professor Gerard Gillen.
Collection in aid of the Mansion House Fuel Fund

Message for the Housebound

Our thoughts are with you at this time of year. We hope you are having a good Christmas. 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 or if you have the internet, Masses are now broadcast on the Parish Website. Log onto www.crumlinparish.ie to view.

Music Concert: Join our Jubilate Choir and its conductor Killian Farrell for a Bach's Christmas Oratorio on December 21st at 7.30pm in St Pius X Church, College Drive, Templeogue. This will be the choir's fourth concert performance in our Church and they will be joined on the night by the Orchestra of St Cecilia. Tickets available from: Parish Office and website www.stpiusx.ie - Barry's Pharmacy, 6 Cypress Park, Templeogue and at the door on the night. Look forward to seeing you there

A GOAL MILE event will take place on Christmas morning in Eamonn Ceannt Park, Sundrive Road to raise funds for the 3rd world charity GOAL. Races will be staged between 10:30 and 12 noon. This is a family friendly event to give you an appetite for the turkey & ham !