

St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

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5th January, Second Sunday of Christmas



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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

11.00am & 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: € 2,122

Share: € 1,731

Family Offering: € 1,125

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

Thought for the Week

Failure doesn't mean you are a failure... it just means you haven't succeeded yet.

-Robert Schuller

The Deep End - World Became Flesh

Today we hear the beautiful prologue to John's Gospel. It would be worth finding the time to meditate on these verses during the week. They are beautifully rich. 'In the beginning was the *Word...*' in Greek, *logos*. This *logos* (Word) has far more meaning than its English translation can give. It refers to all-knowledge; all-being; that which is forever; the Word that is Divine, Creator of the universe, Being, God, Father and Mother of all things.

We read in this prologue that not one thing came to be without God. Do we really see God at the centre of all things? In our environment, in nature, in all created beings? Science tells us our universe is 13.8 billion years old. We cannot even conceive of such a time scale. John tells us of God at that point, at that great flaring forth of all creation, when everything came to be. This Word was with God at that moment and was God.

If we truly believe in the Incarnation, let us be alert and awake to the Incarnation of God every day in our lives; Christ present in all people, in every created thing, for God is fully at work in creation at every stage, then, now and forever. For creation and incarnation are not different events, but the same event, the same process.

'God is always incarnate, always bound to the world as its lover, as close to it, as we are to our own bodies, and concerned before all else to see that the body, God's world, flourishes.' Sallie McFague

(Intercom)

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY 6th January 2019

Monday 6th January is the Feast Day of the Epiphany and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated as follows in St. Agnes Church:

⇒ **Sunday 5th January: 7.00pm Vigil Mass**

⇒ **Monday 6th January: 9.00am, 10.00am and 7.00pm.**

CHRISTMAS DUES

We thank you for your Christmas Dues Offerings. These, along with the Easter Dues and the First Collection at masses every weekend, form part of the salary of the Priests of the Parish, the Diocese, including sick and retired priests. In accordance with Diocesan guidelines, all offerings are recorded on our Parish Register of Contributors. The Christmas Dues Offerings may be returned at any time through the Parish Office or brought with you to mass on weekdays or at weekends. We are very grateful for your financial support at all times.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 4th January

7:00pm MONTHS MIND
Noel Gargan

ANNIVERSARIES

Bridie Mitten 1st
Emer Kelly 2nd
Frank Healy 3rd
Therese Byrne 4th
Eileen Ryan 4th
Muriel Healy 5th
Mary & Brendan Gleeson
John Swords
Gabriel Hamilton
Joseph Moore 8th
BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
Christina Swords

Sunday 5th January

9:30am Priests Intentions

11:00am ANNIVERSARIES
Rachel Moore 4th
Kathleen & Liam Nolan

12:30pm ANNIVERSARIES
Moirá O'Riordan 1st
Liam McCabe 3rd
Teresa Barry McCabe 5th
Thomas Carney 18th
Sheila Fisher 30th
Mary & Christopher McNally
Patrick Hayes 2nd

7.00pm Pro Populo

Monday 6th

9.00am Rita & Ted Buck

Thursday 9th January

9.00am Helen Mahon

Saturday 11th

9.00am Breege Connaughton, Anniversary
Sean Connaughton, Recently Deceased

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

*All Mass Intentions should be booked in
the Parish Office no later than midday on
the Wednesday before the Sunday Masses.*

Our Recently Deceased



Michael Noel Hendrick, Limekiln Dr
Marie Kearns, Clonard Rd
Lilian Lamon, Walkinstown Rd
Alfred Doogan, Cromwellsfort Rd
Mary Lynam, Cashel Rd
Anthony Kershaw, Captains Dr
Rita McNamara, Cherryfield Dr
Bridget Whelan, O'Brien Rd
Sheila Boyle, Whitehall Rd West
Bernadette Troy, Dowland Rd
Kathleen O'Farrell, Dowland Rd
Shane Maxwell, Derry Road

*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, 11th January 2020

7:00pm Ann Maher

Sunday, 12th January 2020

9:30am Veronica McDermott

11:00am B Prior

12:30pm Nuala Talbot

7:00pm John Green

The Week Ahead...

Sunday 5th Jan - Saturday 11th Jan 2020

Sunday	2nd Sunday of Christmas
Monday	Feast of the Epiphany
Tuesday	St Raymond of Penyafort
Wednesday	Of the Day
Thursday	Of the Day
Friday	Of the Day
Saturday	Human Trafficking Awareness Day

Altar Flowers

We would like to thank all parishioners who most generously donated Poinsettias to add to our altar flower display. We acknowledge with gratitude the very generous donation from Brian McElroy Undertakers which sponsored our Christmas Altar flower display. These flowers add to the beauty, warmth and welcoming spirit in our Church at Christmas time.

**WE WOULD APPRECIATE IF
YOU WOULD PLEASE SWITCH
OFF YOUR MOBILE PHONE
WHEN ENTERING THE CHURCH**



**Items to be included in the Newsletter
should be left in the Parish Office no later
than noon on the Wednesday before each
weekend in the week of publication.**

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Sacred Mystery, waiting on the threshold of this New Year, you open the gates and beckon to me:
"Come, Come!

Be not wary of what awaits you as you enter the unknown terrain,

Be not doubtful of your ability to grow from its joys and sorrows.

For I am with you. I will be your guide. I will be your protector. You will never be alone."

Guardian of this New Year, I set aside my fears, my worries, my concerns.

I open my life to mystery, to beauty, to hospitality, to questions, to the endless opportunity of discovering you in my relationships and to all the silent wisps of wonder that draws me to your heart.

I welcome your unfailing presence, O God, and walk with hope into this New Year.

("Out of the Ordinary" by Sr. Joyce Rupp: OSM).

New Pilgrim Path - Website of the Week.

New Pilgrim Path's featured website this week comes from the English Jesuits at 'Pray As You Go'. It is a beautiful and inspiring 14-minute online meditation on the Feast of the Epiphany. You can access it at: www.NewPilgrimPath.ie



POOR BOX DONATIONS

The letters of acknowledgements from the three groups who received donations from the Poor Box before Christmas are now on the notice board in the front porch. Thank you for your on-going donations to the Poor Box which you'll find on the back wall to the left as you enter the Church. The three groups: Alice Leahy TRUST: CCMA and Lorcan O' Toole Day Care Centre.

MUSINGS

The Magi (wise men) have played a prominent role in the Christmas story since about the fifth century. Appearing only in the Gospel of Matthew, he doesn't tell us how many there were; the number three was later deduced from the reference to three gifts. Their later portrayal as kings riding camels was inspired by two passages in Isaiah - a reference to the nations which 'shall come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness' (Isa 60:3) and some lines further on, 'a multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah ... they shall bring gold and frankincense and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord' (Isa 60:6). *Salvador Ryan, St Patrick's College, Maynooth.*



ST. AGNES CREDIT UNION will be holding a Member Information meeting on Monday 6th January at 3pm in the Parish Centre. Please come along if you have any queries regarding Death Benefit Insurance and or Life Savings.

WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS

The Feast of the Epiphany is also known as Little Christmas or Women's Christmas (Irish: Nollaig na mBan). The tradition, still very strong in Cork and Kerry is so called because of the Irish men taking on all the household duties for the day. Many women hold parties or go out to celebrate the day with their friends, sisters, mothers and aunts.



St. Agnes Parish - Family Mass Group

Meets every Wednesday in St. Agnes Parish Centre In the Dodder Room from 6pm - 7pm

New members always welcome

We prepare for Sunday Mass at 11am, through art and music. This is a great way for children to prepare for their First Holy Communion or become involved in a small friendly group of children. Children will be encouraged to read and take part in the Mass.

All children welcome from Age 5

PARISH REPOSITORY

We have a selection of Prayer books and Rosary beads for First Holy Communion as well as various other religious objects and Catholic Newspapers in The Repository located at the back of the Church. It is open weekdays from 9.30am to 10.30am and after Saturday evening & Sunday morning Masses.



Christmas Carols



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

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.

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.

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.

Angels We Heard on

1. Angels we



Have High

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

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.

**Refrain: 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. **Refrain.**

O Come All ye Faithful

1. O come all ye faithful, joyful and
triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to
Bethlehem; Come and behold Him born
the King of Angels.

**Refrain: O come let us adore him, O
come let us adore him, O come let us
adore him, Christ the Lord.**

2. Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,
Glory to God in the highest. **Ref.**

3. Now Lord, we greet you, born this
happy morning, Jesus to you be glory
given, word of the Father now in flesh
appearing. **Ref.**

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark the herald angels sing, glory to the
new born king, peace on earth and mercy
mild, God and sinners reconciled; Joyful

all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the
skies, with angelic hosts proclaim, Christ
is born in Bethlehem.

**Refrain: Hark the herald angels sing,
Glory to the new born King.**

2. Christ by highest heaven adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord, late in time
behold him come, offspring of the Virgin's
womb; veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail the incarnate deity, pleased as man
with man to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel.

Refrain.



LORCAN O'TOOLE DAY CENTRE

We would like to acknowledge
and thank all in the Parish
office and the Repository for
their support in sales of our
Christmas Cards this year.
Also to the loyal Parishioners
who support the centre every
year, it is much appreciated.
We would like to wish you all
a very Happy and Peaceful
New Year

World Day of the Sick 2020

The World Day of the Sick conference will take place in Newtownpark Pastoral Centre, Newtownpark Avenue, Blackrock on **Saturday 8th February 2020**. The Theme of the conference is "Hope in the Face of Suicide" and it will run from 9:45am – 1.00pm. Mass and anointing of the sick on takes place on Sunday 9th February at 3.00pm in the Church of the Guardian Angels, Newtowntownpark Avenue with Principal Celebrant, Archbishop Diarmuid Martin.

There are some copies of
Diocesan Directory 2020
available in the Sacristy,
price €10 each

**St Agnes Church 2020
Calendars which includes
Parish Information and
Contact details are available
at the Church exits. Please
take one home.**

New Podcast: Catechism with Fr Neill

Are you looking for a New Year's Resolution that is that can help you grow in the knowledge of the Catholic Faith?

Fr. Neil Xavier O'Donoghue, a Lecturer in Systematic Theology at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, is starting a podcast: *Catechism with Fr. Neil*.

Every day he will post a short audio podcast for the 366 days of 2020. In each episode he will read a few paragraphs of the Catechism of the Catholic Church and give a short reflection on the passage. In this way you can listen to the whole book over the course of a year.

Details can be found on Fr. Neil's webpage: www.fatherneil.com