

Archdiocese of Dublin

Support Services for Older and Vulnerable People

COVID-19 community supports are now in place to ensure vulnerable members of the community are reached and helped at this time. These comprise the local authority, Health Service Executive, County Champions, An Post, Community Welfare Service, An Garda Síochána, other State organisations, charities and other stakeholders. These Dedicated helplines are focused specifically on ensuring that the cocooning elderly, vulnerable members of the community or those living alone can access deliveries of groceries, medicine and fuels. Please try to ensure any vulnerable or elderly people in your parish help are aware of these services.

- ◆ **Dublin City Council Helpline** 01-2228555 Email - covidsupport@dublincity.ie
- ◆ **Fingal County Council Helpline** 01-8905000 with the lines open from 9am to 5pm seven days a week. E mail - covidsupport@fingal.ie.
- ◆ **Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Helpline** 01 271 3199. Opens 9am every day. E mail covidsupport@dlrcoco.ie
- ◆ **South Dublin County Council Helpline** 01-4149043 with the lines initially open from 9am to 5pm seven days a week. Out of hours email contact through covidsupport@sdblincoco.ie
- ◆ **Wicklow County Council Helpline** FREE contact number 1800868399 with the lines open from 8am to 8pm seven days a week. E-mail covidsupport@wicklowcoco.ie.

Other Support Services

- ◆ **ALONE** national support line for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling **0818 222 024**.
- ◆ **SeniorLine** is a national, confidential listening service for older people, run by trained older volunteers. If you are feeling worried, stressed or isolated at this very unnerving time, please feel free to ring this FREEPHONE service anytime between 10am and 10pm on any day of the week on **1800 80 45 91**.
- ◆ **Age Action and the Irish Red Cross** have raised funds to provide additional assistance to older and vulnerable people around Ireland who are experiencing hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic by making once-off grants, up to a maximum of €500, per person/household affected. Email: hardship2020@redcross.ie Phone: **Irish Red Cross at 01 6424600 or Tel: (01) 475 6989 Lo Call: 1890 369369**
- ◆ **Women's Aid** - The Women's Aid 24hr National Freephone Helpline offers confidential information, support and understanding to women who are being abused by current or former boyfriends, partners or husbands. **Tel: 1800 341 900** or Tel: +353 1 678 8858 Email: info@womensaid.ie
- ◆ **Men's Aid** Men's Aid Ireland formerly known as Amen, is the only dedicated national service supporting men and their families experiencing Domestic Violence in Ireland. **Tel: 01-5543811 or 01-5394277 E-mail: hello@mensaid.ie**
- ◆ **ISPCC Dublin** The Irish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (ISPCC) is Ireland's national child protection charity. **Call: 01 676 7960 Email: ispcc@ispcc.ie**
- ◆ **The Samaritans** Available round the clock, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. If you need a response immediately, it's best to call on the phone. This number is FREE to call. **Tel: 116 123 Email: samaritans.org**
- ◆ **Pieta House** Pieta provides free therapy to those engaging in self-harm, with suicidal ideation, or bereaved by suicide. Freephone and no referral needed. Tel: **1800 247 247**
- ◆ **Jigsaw** Offering younger people going through a hard time, or for those worried about a young person in your life. www.jigsaw.ie <https://www.jigsaw.ie/news-and-events/post/covid-19-what-were-doing>

St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

Team Ministry of Clogher Rd, Crumlin & Mounse Rd

t: 01-455 5368 | Child Protection Number 087 3155305

e: newsletter@crumlinparish.ie or info@crumlinparish.ie | This newsletter can be downloaded from our website: www.crumlinparish.ie or Visit us on

5th April 2020, Palm Sunday



Priests of the Parish

Fr Tony O'Shaughnessy 561 1500

Fr Tom Clowe SDB: 455 5605

Fr John Deasy: 455 0955

Deacon

Rev Jimmy Fennell: 455 5368

Child Protection

Dublin Diocesan Office

836 0314

E-mail: cps@dublindiocese.ie

or contact St Agnes Parish Office at 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 - 11.00am and 6.30pm - 6.50pm

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.

Trócaire Boxes

are available at all church exits Please take one home and save over the Lenten Period for a worthy cause.

Thought for the Week

Let us act on what we have, since we have not what we wish for'

Blessed John Henry Newman

#survival-of-the...?

At a recent seminar, the speaker told us that we are all focused on 'survival' these days. This is our unconscious default position. The clamour of life is such that more and more people wonder how they will make it through the day. I can only imagine what it is like for someone who leaves a homeless shelter in the morning wondering how he or she is going to survive and make it through the day. Or somebody who wakes up once again in a hospital ward wondering what the doctors are going to diagnose. Furthermore, I often wonder what it must be like for a migrant to put a foot into the Sahara hoping they have enough food and water for the journey. Yes, for many, survival is the default position and not just for those on the margins.

The seminar highlighted this but said 'well-being' should be our default position. To exist only to survive is demeaning to our human and even our divine task. The advance of economics, wealth and consumerism has actually displaced the time old task of 'well-being' with 'survival'.

One of the things about the hunter gatherer model that still exists in many indigenous communities is that while some were delegated with the task of survival for the community, others were delegated to look after the 'wellbeing' of the community. This wasn't as a result a strategic plan or a therapeutic intervention but simply because it was part of the natural order. In these days of Covid-19 we may limit our lives to mere survival. If you are sick in hospital this is understandable but what if you are just stuck in isolation – is it enough just to survive? Maybe we should put a bit of thought into waking up tomorrow with an eye on well-being. Well-being and not survival should be our default position. One of my favourite sociologists Zygmunt Bauman said, 'Why do I write books? Why do I think? Why should I be passionate? Because things could be different, they could be made better?'

Courtesy of Fr Alan Hilliard, Chaplain, TU Dublin, taken from his book 'Dipping into Lent'

ST AGNES PARISH SERVICES ON THE WEB

Each Day at 12 Noon the Angelus followed by Mass will be broadcast on the Webcam

Sunday Mass will be available online at 11.00am behind closed doors on www.crumlinparish.ie or www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-agnes-crumlin

MASS INTENTIONS

Weekend Mass Intentions

RECENTLY DECEASED

Margaret Coombes; Carmel Breen;
Anthony (Tony) Bourke

ANNIVERSARIES

Betty Carroll 2nd; Joan Fox 6th
Patrick Dempsey 9th

Weekday Mass Intentions

ANNIVERSARIES

Joseph & Maureen Harborne

All Mass intentions for the week will be prayed for at the Sunday Mass which will be behind closed doors and available on the webcam at 11.00am

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

Margaret Coombes, Kildare Rd
Carmel Breen Cherryfield Rd.
Anthony (Tony) Bourke



We express our deepest sympathies to their families at this sad time.

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

The Week Ahead...

Sunday 5th April - Saturday 11th April 2020

Sunday	Palm Sunday
Monday	Holy Week
Tuesday	Holy Week
Wednesday	Holy Week
Thursday	Holy Thursday
Friday	Good Friday
Saturday	Holy Saturday

St Agnes Parish Crumlin—COVID 19 UPDATE

Dear Parishioners of St Agnes, as Covid 19 is progressing it is unfortunate that we have to close our Church to protect our parishioners. We pray that with God's help and by helping one another we can get through this crisis together.

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin has cancelled public Sunday and Weekday Masses in the Archdiocese of Dublin from Wednesday 25th March until further notice.

We cannot guarantee the safety for our parishioners due to candles and statues being touched by so many people and large numbers gathering, therefore for the health and safety of everyone we have had to close the church from Wednesday 25th March 2020.

Mass will be streamed live ONLY on Sundays at 11 am

Those who have booked masses can rearrange them in the Parish Office or one of the priests will offer mass for that intention privately.

Please refer to a parish website cumlinparish.ie for further updates.

We entrust each of you to the loving care of God our father.

Thank you again for your understanding at this difficult time.

PRAYER AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME

Jesus you travelled through towns and villages curing every disease and illness. At your command the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the corona virus, that we may experience your healing love. Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain health and strength through medical care.



Heal us from fear. Heal us from anxieties, from doubts in your love from uncertainty.

Embrace your love O God those who have died from this virus. Bless and comfort all the bereaved whose grief is painful. As they grieve keep them safe from illness.

O God, be close at this time to all the sick, lonely and housebound. Cover them with your healing peace and calm their stress at this time

Be with all our medical and healthcare workers that they will maintain their energy, dedication and health. Be with all carers who look after sick relatives and those who live alone. Give them your blessing.

Be with our leaders that they will co-operate well together at home and throughout the world and work effectively for the wellbeing of all. May they soon find a vaccine to contain this virus.

Wherever we are O Lord, be close to us. Bless all our families in St Agnes' Parish and families everywhere. Guard us in our caring. Give us patience, kindness and compassion of heart during these days of isolation. Above all, may we be aware of your love for us at this time. Stay with us as we wait, mourn and grieve, as we support one another in all that we are asked to do. In place of any anxiety, give us your comforting peace.

AMEN.

HELPING ONE ANOTHER

In these days of worry and uncertainty it is important that we remain caring towards one another and not lose our hope for an end to this pandemic. It is important that if we can do anything for those who are most vulnerable we should act with great care and kindness. If any parishioner is in need of support which we as a Parish Community can give, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office at 01-4555368 between 9.30am – 4.45pm or any of the Priests of the Parish or members of the Parish Pastoral Council. (John Greene, Gerry Cully, Antoinette Doyle, John Graham, Fr. Tony, Fr. Tom). Whatever we can do as St. Agnes's Parish Community we will do it together in the strength of God's love.

SOME PRAYERFUL SPACE / RESOURCES ON THE INTERNET

- ◆ Irishbishops.ie
- ◆ Jesuitresource.org
- ◆ Catholicireland.net
- ◆ Cafod
- ◆ Worldvision.ie
- ◆ Youtube a simple prayer



6 KEY STEPS TO HELP PREVENT CORONAVIRUS

- ◆ **STOP** shaking hands or hugging when saying hello or greeting other people
- ◆ **DISTANCE** yourself at least 2 metres (6 feet) away from other people
- ◆ **WASH** your hands well and often
- ◆ **COVER** your mouth and nose with a tissue or sleeve when coughing/sneezing and discard the tissue
- ◆ **AVOID** touching eyes, nose, mouth with unwashed hands
- ◆ **CLEAN** and disinfect frequently touches objects/surfaces

ST AGNES PARISH HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES 2020



Monday—Wednesday: Mass at 12.00noon each day

Holy Thursday 9th April: 12.00noon Prayer
7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 10th April: 12.00noon Prayer
3.00pm Solemn Ceremony
7.00pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday 11th April: 12.00noon Prayer

Easter Vigil: We will not be celebrating the Vigil from our own Church since it requires much participation and preparation which will be difficult for one priest to do. We ask you to look at **RTE 1 at 10pm** which will televise the Easter Vigil from Mullingar Cathedral, the celebrant being Bishop Tom Deenihan.

Easter Sunday: 11.00am Easter Sunday Mass

Easter Week: 12.00noon Angelus and Mass daily

We invite you to be with us through our parish webcam as we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus in the Parish of St Agnes.

We hope that this Easter will bring new beginnings, new hope and new joy to you and your family.

The Parish Pastoral Council, Fr Tony O'Shaughnessy, Fr Tom Clowe SDB, Fr John Deasy

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office and Parish Centre will be closed until further notice. If any parishioner is in need of help or support please phone 01 4555368 or 087 2774544

RTE is broadcasting DAILY MASS each day at 10.30am on RTE News Now channel.