St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

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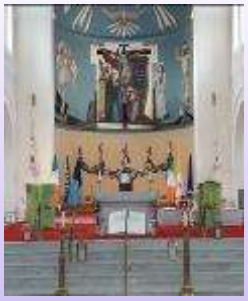
15th November 2020, 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time



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St Agnes Mass Times

Weekday Masses

Monday to Saturday: Mass will be Streamed Live on the Webcam at 9.00am

Sunday Masses

Sunday: Mass will be Streamed Live on the Webcam at 11.00am

Masses can be viewed by visiting www.crumlinparish.ie/watch-live

St Agnes Confessions

Saturdays
9.45am—10.15
or anytime on request.

Child Protection

Dublin Diocesan Office
Tel 01 836 0314 or
Email cps@dublindiocese.ie
or contact St Agnes Parish Office at 01 455 5368

Mass On Webcam

To ensure the live streaming of our masses runs without interruptions we have changed our webcam services provider.

Masses can be viewed by pasting https://www.crumlinparish.ie/watch-live/ into your search or churchmedia.tv (under find your church key in Crumlin).

Thought for the Week

"It always seems impossible until it's done" - Nelson Mandela

REFLECTION – 15th NOVEMBER, 2020

During these days when our Church is open for quiet prayer it is amazing how many people pass through in any given day. I have sat in the Church on many occasions to pray, gather my thoughts and often wander in my mind, recalling the days until last March when we were able to celebrate all masses and other moments freely and without any difficulties. Even in July when we reopened with smaller numbers it was so uplifting and encouraging that we could celebrate mass and meet again as a community. That was short lived. Now, we are grateful that our Church is open for quiet prayer until 4.00pm each day and on Sundays from 12 noon – 2.00pm.

Lighting candles is a great tradition in our Churches. Light itself is a powerful symbol. For us as Christians when we light the Paschal Candle we are reminded of the presence of the Risen Christ. We recall the words of Jesus in St. John's Gospel (8:12)*:* ***"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."***

In our Christian theology and spirituality we can say that light is a symbol of everything that is good, noble, worthwhile, everything that helps us to grow to the best of our human potential, everything that is of God, all that helps us to realise our God given gifts, using them for the good and betterment of one another. To be the ***"light"*** God calls us to be, we need only look to the life of Christ. In him we find how to live the highest ideals of our God-likeness.

Thus, when I observe all who light candles in our Church I reflect on the many different symbols of each candle that is lit. The candle may be a prayer of thanksgiving to God for his blessing through the intercession of the saints. It may represent an intention for someone who is quite ill, for a troubled son or daughter, for personal need, to be healed from depression, worries, anxieties, despair. The candle we light may be a cry for mercy, for harmony in our family, for all who are struggling in these days of lockdown. It is a very sad time for many people, particularly the more fragile and vulnerable among us. I have spoken with many people during their visits and some are very weary and discouraged, anxious, worried, wondering when life may be normal again. The candles that are lit represent so many intentions. In this respect, our candles are sacred and holy and are a great prayer to offer when we cannot find words to do so. God knows the moods and feelings of our unspoken prayers and of our hearts. Let us not be discouraged. There is nothing of our lives that is ever too small or insignificant for God's love.

"Christ our light: your love burns in our hearts and urges in us a thirst for healing. Jesus, light of the world, you teach us how to reach out to others: open our ears to the stories that cry to be heard. Jesus, you who are light and warmth, banish the weariness of my soul and bring me hope. As I light these candles, Lord Jesus, hear my prayers.." AMEN.

Fr. Tony.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th November

RECENTLY DECEASED
Carmel Grealy also remembering husband Thomas Grealy

MONTHS MIND
Jimmy O'Connor

ANNIVERSARIES
Mary Geoghegan 1st ; Essie Bennett 1st
Christy Murray 2nd ; Frans Fens 3rd
Ann O'Connell 3rd ; Eileen Cronin 3rd
Anne Duggan Wright 4th ; Madge Farrell 4th
Thomas Kielty 4th ; Thomas Cronin 5th
Margaret Brown 5th ; Elizabeth Beecher 5th
William Murray 5th; Carmel Brennan 6th
Michael Higgins 7th ; Freda Doherty 7th
Susan Harborne 7th ; Christina Kavanagh 11th
Margaret Murray 12th ; Luke Brennan 14th
Tom Smith 15th ; Paddy Fleming 26th
Albert Little 32nd ; Carol Whelan 50th
Deceased Members of St Agnes Choir
Philomena Murray; Agnes & John McGowan
William Duggan; Agnes Malone
Special Intention; Catherine & James Doyle
May Thompson; James & Mary Lawlor & son James
William Colgan; Alfred, Esther, Paul & Alfie Doogan

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
Gerard Dunne
Matt Geoghegan
Mary Ellis

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

November Altar List of Remembrance

The November Altar List of Remembrance Envelopes are available in the Church porches or by calling to the Parish Office or Sacristy. The daily Mass(es) on the four Fridays of November and on all First Fridays of the months will be offered for all whose names you place on the Parish Altar List. November is the year which is dedicated to praying for all who have died and to pray too for all who are grieving that they will be blessed and comforted .

RTE is continuing to broadcast DAILY MASS each day at 10.30am on the RTE News Now channel.

***HOLY WATER* - There is a Holy Water container in the Repository Porch of the Church. If you wish to collect Holy Water, please bring a container with you.**

Our Recently Deceased

Gemma Hodgins, Derry Road
Maureen Brennan, Balfe Road East
Luke McBride, Ravensdale Close Kimmage
Maura McGloughlin, Dangan Park.

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

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

The Week Ahead…
Sunday 15th Nov - Saturday 21st Nov 2020

Sunday	33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
Monday	St Margaret of Scotland
Tuesday	St Elizabeth of Hungary
Wednesday	Of the Day
Thursday	Of the Day
Friday	Of the Day
Saturday	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Last Weekend's Collections

1st Collection:	**€ 240.00**
Share	**€ 127.00**
Family Offering:	**€ 1035.00**

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity. We wish to thank all those who have given donations on line and thank you for your continued support of the Parish and the Diocese.

Donations can also be made through the "DONATE" button on our website www.crumlinparish.ie

PARISH OFFICE
The parish office is open Monday to Friday 9.45am to 12.45pm and 2.15pm to 4.45pm.
Please call in to book Masses and buy Mass cards.

Bereaved Children's Awareness Week 23rd – 27th November

Every November, the Irish Childhood Bereavement Network organises a series of events across Ireland to highlight bereaved children's needs and provide a voice for them to be heard. The main reason we need to have a week like this is to help raise awareness of the fact that children express grief differently, they feel the impact but may not have words to express it so it often shows in their behaviour. For more information, **visit**: www.childhoodbereavement.ie

New Pilgrim Path - Website of the Week.

""Why do we spend our lives striving to be something that we would never want to be, if only we knew what we wanted? Why do we waste our time doing things which, if we only stopped to think about them, are just the opposite of what we were made for?" This question, posed by the great Trappist mystic, Thomas Merton, set James Martin – editor of America magazine - on the path to priesthood. He talks about finding God in all things in a sparking interview with Krista Tippett of the award-winning PBS programme, "On Being". Listen to it at www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

Lough Derg November Memorial Service

Lough Derg November Memorial Service for deceased pilgrims and benefactors will take place live via webcam from St. Mary's Church, Pettigo, on **Sunday 22nd November at 7.00pm** at: www.churchservices.tv/pettigo

To enrol a departed loved one, please contact us by email: info@loughderg.org, Tel: 0(0353) 71 9861518 or write to Fr. Flynn, Prior, Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal F94 YC60.

ST AGNES CHURCH CHOIR

Mass will be offered for the deceased members of the Church choir on Sunday 15th November at 11.00am online.

Irish Hospice Foundation

Many people have experienced the death of someone they love during the Pandemic. In the face of such loss and trauma, the Irish Hospice Foundation have a Bereavement Support Line.

It is a national freephone service 1800 80 70 77

Volunteer Drivers Irish Cancer Society

Irish Cancer Society is looking for volunteers to drive patients to and from their chemotherapy treatments. Drivers with a free weekday availability and who can commit to driving twice a month. Please **email Gail** at gflinter@irishcancer.ie or **call 01 2310 566** for an application form. Due to the impact of the Coronavirus we are seeking drivers under the age of 70 years.

ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

This year the *Mass of Remembrance* will be celebrated on *Wednesday, 25th November* at *7.00pm* but behind closed doors. This is always well attended and a mass which gives great comfort to all who are bereaved. Sadly, this year we are not allowed to have a large gathering in our Churches for the moment and because we have so many families who would be in attendance we cannot invite anyone to be present except members of the Liturgy Group who will help with the organising of the mass. Our mass will be streamed live on our Parish Webcam and we invite you to join with us for this annual mass. Letters are being sent to all families who had a bereavement since last November, 2019, to assure them that their loved one will be remembered by name. A candle will be lit in their memory which will be placed on the cross in front of the sanctuary. All families or relatives can collect that special candle and a prayer card in the Church on Sunday 29th November between 12.00 – 2.00pm or by calling to the Parish Office any morning of the week beginning Monday, 30th November, 10.30 – 12.30pm.

Senior Line If you are an older person and would like someone to talk to, particularly since Covid-19, consider phoning **SeniorLine**. We are Ireland's national confidential service for older people. We are open every day of the year from 10am-10pm. We are older people too, trained to listen and support. We would love to hear from you. **Freefone 1800 80 45 91**

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports 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 seven days a week, 8.00am – 8.00pm, by calling 0818 222 024

ARRANGEMENTS FOR MASSES

Unfortunately, due to Government Guidelines Our Church is closed for all public masses. **Mass will be streamed online Monday to Saturday at 9.00am and Sunday at 11.00am.**

Funerals are strictly 25 people in attendance only.

The Church will be open for private prayer after Funerals Monday to Saturday and will close at **4.00pm**, and on Sunday from **12.00noon until 2.00pm.**

GOSPEL WORDSEARCH

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DISCIPLES SERVANT THOUSAND
COINS COUNTRY MASTER
MONEY EARNED MORE
WONDERFUL FAITHFUL HAPPINESS

Cards are on sale in the Parish Office and Repository

Financial Contributions

I would like to thank parishioners who continue to give donations to our parish when they visit our Church on Sundays 11.45am - 2.00pm and on weekdays 9.30am to 4.00pm. This is a difficult time for us all financially, so it is very much appreciated that you continue to make donations for the upkeep of our Church and parish, the Diocesan common fund and Share collections. If you are able, within your means, to make a contribution for these various collections, your generosity is appreciated. Thank you.

Fr. Tony

Church Art Calendars 2021 are available in the Parish Office and the Repository, priced at €1.50 each.

Christmas Mass Bouquets are now for sale in the Parish Office and Repository.

St. Agnes's Church Mass Cards, The Intention of Donor will be remembered in all Masses on Christmas Day. Available in the Parish Office & Church Repository for €5 per pack of 10 cards.

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

Lighting a Candle.

When you light a candle, it continues to burn after you leave the church. In this way the lighted candle continues in a prayer on your behalf. We wish to highlight the importance of safety. Children are not allowed to light a candle unless under the direct supervision of a parent or guardian. This is an important health and safety issue. If you see a child lighting a candle without supervision, you should intervene and tell the child not to do so. Please do so in a kindly fashion.

Also as you have sanitised your hands upon entering the church, please be mindful that the Hand Sanitiser contains a small percentage of alcohol which is flammable, so please ensure your hands are dry. Do not touch statues, just bless yourself and bow before them. Please take care.