St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

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31st October, 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time; Year B

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St Agnes Mass Times

Weekday Masses

Mon - Sat: 9.00am

Sunday Masses

Vigil (Sat): 5.30pm & 7.00pm
Sunday: 9.30am, 11.00am; 12.30pm. **Currently There Is No Evening Mass**

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

The Church will be open after 9.00am Mass for private prayer or after Funerals Monday to Saturday. It will close at 5.00pm Monday to Friday,

St Agnes Confessions

Confessions on Saturdays after 9.00am Mass and 6.15-6.45pm or anytime upon 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

PARISH OFFICE

The office is open Monday to Friday 9.30am to 12.45pm and 2.15pm to 4.45pm. Please call in to book Masses and to buy Mass cards. Please follow the notices displayed concerning social distancing.

Thought for the Week''

"Be the change you wish to see in the World"
Mahatma Ghandhi

NOVEMBER – TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

In the Church's liturgical Calendar, November is the month in which we remember our loved ones who have died. When we survey nature all around us at this time of year we are reminded of our fragility and vulnerability. Like the trees letting go of their colourful leaves, we too will have our letting go of this life. A poet once said, *"Life is a lesson in the art of letting go."* When loss comes our way it brings huge change: our lives are interrupted: we are disorientated. *"Letting go"* in different ways is with us every day. In the past 18 months or more the deaths of so many people from covid-19 brought a profound sadness to hundreds of families, including many in our own parish. Because funerals had to take place under the strictest of guidelines, the grief was even more poignant and painful. Many still feel they haven't begun to grieve properly. Loss in whatever form it comes always takes someone or something from us. Loss changes our lives irrevocably. The *"letting go"* of a loved one which death requires is probably the hardest to do. The grief that comes with the loss of a loved one casts a long shadow over our lives, leaving us at times in disbelief, sorrow, depression, anxiety and uncertainty. There is nothing small about the loss of a loved one, irrespective of age. When we love others and live our lives for and around them, when we create bonds together, the loss and grief can be overpowering. Grief is a journey and we each make that journey differently, going through a myriad of emotions and feelings. Gradually we learn to accept the loss of a loved one but we do not forget them. Grief comes in and out of our lives and it's hard to know how to navigate our way forward. Elizabeth Gilbert writes: *"Deep grief sometimes is almost like a specific location, a coordinate on a map of time. When you are standing in that forest of sorrow, you cannot imagine that you could ever find a way to a better place."* Isn't this so true for most of us in grief? We feel lost in a forest without pathways, without light. It is good for us to give words to our grief, either with close, trusted friends, family members or even with a bereavement counsellor. Grief can be like a heavy boulder crushing us to the ground. Let us reach out when necessary and share our sorrow. While we remember our departed loved ones and forever commend them to God's love and mercy, we trust too that God will bless all who grieve and bring inner peace and healing to them. William Shakespeare said, *"To weep is to make less of grief."* When we share our grief with others, the intensity is indeed lessened. But we also have a faith which assures us that God is with us in the loss and grief, in the darkness and the light, in the journey and its unfolding. The prophet Isaiah speaks of this God, *"I have called you by name, you are precious to me: I am your God: I will be with you: I will hold you in the palm of my hand.."*

Fr. Tony

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 30th October

5.30pm **MONTHS MIND**
Josie Costello

ANNIVERSARIES
Tommy Bruton 11th
Billy Keogh 24th

7.00pm **MONTHS MIND**
Kathleen Mulvaney

ANNIVERSARIES
Denise Fitzgerald 5th
Phelim Hamill 20th; Chrissie Kennedy

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
George Johnston also anniversary remembering wife Sarah & sons Martin & George Junior

Sunday 31st October

9.30am **ANNIVERSARIES**
Peter Farrell 37th

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
Matt Geoghegan

11.00am **ANNIVERSARIES**
Frances Miller 1st; Patrick Byrne 53rd
May Bretin; Margaret & Molly Phillips

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
Michael Saunders
Thomas Byrne

12.30pm **ANNIVERSARIES**
Margaret Lynch 1st; Patricia Quigley 2nd
Mary Beagan 27th
John & Annie Murphy & son Shay
Catherine, William & Eddie O'Connor
Christine Scott; John & Sheila McIlroy

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
Thomas Lawless

Monday 1st November

9.00am **Feast of All Saints**
10.00am **Richard McSherry, Birthday Remembrance**

Tuesday 2nd November

9.00am **All Souls Day**
7.00pm **Faithful departed**

Wednesday 3rd November

9.00am **Con O'Rourke 3rd Anniv.**

Thursday 4th November

9.00am **Celebrants Intentions**

Friday 5th November

9.00am **First Friday**

Saturday 6th November

9.00am **Helen Mahon Special Remembrance**

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

Maureen Dunne, Stanaway Road
Desmond O'Brien, Lorcan O'Toole Park
Paddy (Patrick) Mulvaney, Crumlin Road
Brendan Johnston, Captain's Road
Patrick McGeough, Kildare Road
Philomena Daly, Windmill Road

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

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

Last Weekend's Collections

1st Collection: **€ 1,800**
Mission Sunday : **€ 3,000**
Family Offering: **€ 990**

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity. We wish to thank all 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

St Agnes Parish Reader's Roster

If you cannot make your scheduled Reading please contact John Green

Saturday, 6th November 2021

5.30pm	Andrew Fanthom
7:00pm	Pat Dunn

Sunday, 7th November 2021

9:30am	Richard McDermott
11:00am	John Green
12:30pm	Catherine Nagle

The Week Ahead…
Sunday 31st Oct - Saturday 6th Nov 2021

Sunday	31st Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr B
Monday	All Saints
Tuesday	All Souls
Wednesday	St Malachy (Armagh); St Martin De Porres
Thursday	St Charles Borromeo
Friday	Of the Day
Saturday	All Saints of Ireland

November Altar List of Remembrance

The November Altar List of Remembrance Envelopes are available in the Church porches. All Masses on the First Fridays of the months throughout the year are offered for all whose names you have placed on the Parish Altar List of Remembrance. 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 .

MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION

Thank you so much for your contributions to the special collection for the support of our Missionaries last weekend which totalled **€3,000.** This was an incredible amount for a smaller congregation at masses on the bank holiday weekend. Sr. Anne, a Columban Missionary Sister, residing in our Parish spoke with great passion about her work in China and Hong Kong. It was fascinating to listen to her witness and that of her Columban Sisters who worked alongside her in these and other far away places as missionaries. Their legacy and that of all our Irish Missionaries and their Lay Associates makes an immense difference to the poorest and most marginalised in our world. Thank you Sr. Anne. Thanks to you, our parishioners for a wonderful response. The **€3,000** will be forwarded to MIssio Ireland who will disperse the money to various Missionary projects and initiatives. Go to the website, *MIssiolreland* for more information.

THANK YOU

At the beginning of the reopening of our Churches last year all parishes were required to have stewards to ensure that we were adhering to the requirements laid down by the Government and Diocese. This required forming a team of parishioners to act as stewards. On behalf of all of us, priests, Parish Pastoral Council and parishioners, I want to thank the parishioners who acted as stewards for our Church. Their commitment and dedication Sunday after Sunday for the past 18 months and more have ensured that our Parish implemented all health and safety guidelines. We appreciate their efforts and diligence every weekend at our 5 masses. Without their support and co-operation, we would have found it very difficult to celebrate masses in a safe, caring and responsible way. Thanks to all our stewards for your valuable commitment to St. Agnes Parish and Church. ***Fr. Tony.***

BEING SAFE AND CAREFUL

Though many restrictions have been lifted, we are still advised to act carefully, cautiously and responsibly. We are all aware of the rising numbers of covid cases and those in hospitals and especially in our ICU's. This means that we will still wear masks while at mass, sanitise hands and keep some distance when in a crowd. We will supply sanitising gel but you may wish to carry your own with you. Thanks to all our parishioners for your co-operation at all times. Our Parish Team will keep an eye on the situation as it unfolds and if you have any concerns about guidelines or your safety, please do not hesitate to let us know.

SUMMER TIME ENDS

Remember, clocks go back one hour on this Saturday 30th October.

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1st and 2nd November

Monday 1st November - Feast of All Saints is a Holyday of Obligation, Masses on that day are at 9.00am and 10.00am.

Tuesday 2nd November - Feast of the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed Mass will be at 9.00am & 7.00pm.

ST. AGNES PARISH CHOIR

St. Agnes Parish choir are recruiting new members. We rehearse every Tuesday at 8.00pm in St. Agnes Parish Hall. No audition necessary.

C.I.E. MALE VOICE CHOIR

The C.I.E. Male Voice Choir are recruiting new members to join its ranks. We Rehearse every Thursday at 8.30pm in St. Agnes Parish Hall. No audition necessary.

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.

Anam Cara South Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Monday 8th November at 7:20pm in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown Way, Tallaght. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. *(subject to change in accordance with government guidelines)*

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.

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.

THE NEWSLETTER IS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD ON THE PARISH WEBSITE WWW.CRUMLINPARISH.IE

GOSPEL WORDSEARCH *(Courtesy of Salford Diocese)*

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NEIGHBOUR
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VOX HIBERNIAE

Our Director of Music Mary Louise O'Donnell and her group Vox Hiberniae have put together a 30 minute reflection contemplating the life of Our Lady with Harp, Voice and Strings from the Carmelite Monastery of the Immaculate Conception in Dublin. It can be viewed at the following link https://youtu.be/KR0esUMcDAo Or go to http://www.youtube.com/c/voxhiberniae and click on the video to enlarge and view

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND
5th – 7th November 2021

Restore Communication, Renew Commitment and Rekindle Romance. This is an online experience using Zoom that starts on Friday evening at 8pm and ends on Sunday afternoon at 2:30pm. For details and booking visit: www.marriageencounter.ie

Church Art Calendars & Christmas Mass Bouquets

Church Art Calendars 2022 are available in the Parish Office and the Repository priced at €1.50 each.

Christmas Mass Bouquets are available in the Parish Office and Repository.

New Pilgrim Path - Website of the Week: Meditation on Grief

"In November, we remember..." November is traditionally the month of remembrance for the dead, in many countries and in many churches. Our website of the week is a short, guided audio reflection on "Grief" presented by the superb Pray As You Go website, drawing on the lines of John O'Donohue's haunting poem, "For Grief". Access this, and other rich spiritual online resources at www.newpilgrimpath.ie.