

GOSPEL WORDSEARCH *(Courtesy of Salford Diocese)*

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ABOLISH COMPLETE PURPOSE
KINGDOM HEAVEN VIRTUE
ANCESTORS KILL ANGRY
ALTAR THRONE FOOTSTOOL



Sunday Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING *Eccles. 15:15-20*

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus. If you wish, you can keep the commandments; to behave faithfully is within your power. He has set fire and water before you; put out your hand to whichever you prefer. Man has life and death before him; whichever a man likes better will be given him. For vast is the wisdom of the Lord; he is almighty and all-seeing. His eyes are on those who fear him; he notes every action of man. He never commanded anyone to be godless; he has given no one permission to sin. The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 118:1-2.4-5.17-18.33.34.R.v1

(R) They are happy who follow God's law

1. They are happy whose life is blameless, who follow God's law!

They are happy those who do his will, seeking him with all their hearts. (R)

2. You have laid down your precepts to be obeyed with care.

May my footsteps be firm to obey your statutes. (R)

3. Bless your servant and I shall live and obey your word.

Open my eyes that I may consider the wonders of your law. (R)

4. Teach me the demands of your statutes and I will keep them to the end.

Train me to observe your law, to keep it with my heart. (R)

SECOND READING *1 Cor. 2:6-10*

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul

to the Corinthians.

We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls; the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard; things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him. These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit, reaches the depths of everything even the depths of God.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Jn. 6:68*

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak Lord, your servant is listening; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Mt. 5: 17-37*

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your Spirit

Priest: **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.**

People: Glory to you O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish them but to complete them. I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth disappear, not one dot, one little stroke, shall disappear from

the Law until its purpose is achieved.

Therefore, the man who infringes even one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be considered the least in the kingdom of heaven; but the man who keeps them and teaches them will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven. "For I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven.

"You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill, and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you; anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court. "You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say this to you; if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

"Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you; do not swear at all, either by heaven, since that is God's throne; or by the earth, since that is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, since that is the city of the great king. Do not swear by your own head either, since you cannot turn a single hair white or black. All you need say is 'Yes' if you mean yes, 'No' if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

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12th February 2023, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A



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St Agnes Mass Times

Weekday Masses

Mon - Sat: 9.00am

Sunday Masses

Vigil (Sat): 5.30pm

Sunday: 9.30am, 11.00am; 12.30pm.

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

The Church will close at 5.00pm Monday to Friday,

St Agnes Confessions

Confessions on Saturdays after 9.00am Mass and 4.45-5.15pm or anytime upon request



Child Protection

Dublin Diocesan Office 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 Thursday 9.30am to 12.45pm and 2.15pm to 4.45pm. Friday 9.30am to 12.45pm. The Office will be closed on Friday afternoon. Please call in to book Masses and to buy Mass cards.

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.

NEWSLETTER

The Newsletter is also available for download from the Parish Website www.crumlinparish.ie



Thought for the Week

It is during our darkest moments that we must focus to see the light. - Aristotle

REFLECTION – 11th/12th FEBRUARY 2023

One of the destructive emotions we have is that of anger. We hold anger in our hearts for all kinds of reasons. We may even be consumed by anger after a row with someone, after being deeply hurt and wounded or by betrayal. Our anger may last but for a few moments or it may last for a long time. Letting go of anger can be difficult for us, even for the most Christian among us. Yet, letting go of anger is essential if we are to grow to the best of our human capacity or if we are to be truly people of God. Anger is a natural emotion to certain situations but holding on to it is never good for our human relationships. Letting go of anger is indeed a huge challenge. Nelson Mandela said, *"As I walked out the door towards my freedom, I knew that if I did not let leave all the hate, bitterness and anger behind that I would still be in prison."* It is so true that when we hold on to negative emotions we imprison ourselves in a dark abyss.

St. Matthew's gospel today shows us the Christian community facing criticism from the local Jewish leadership who claim that the teachings of Jesus are destructive of their cherished Jewish traditions. When Matthew writes his gospel he is anxious to show that Jesus did not come to abolish the laws but to be their completion. Jesus honours the Jewish tradition by saying, *"...you have heard how it was said..."* and shows that he has come to give us a new vision by saying *"...but I say to you..."* Jesus completes the law but goes beyond it. Because Jesus is who he is, he has the power and authority to put before people a new teaching – God's ways of living and treating one another. Jesus confirms the Old Law of condemning killing but he goes much further in condemning the motivation that often leads to killing. What causes a person to go this far? What is the motivation? He teaches that before we go to the altar in worship of God we should first ensure that our hearts are pure and clean. If we carry grudges, hate, anger or resentments in our hearts which are harmful, we must cleanse our hearts of such destructive emotions. Jesus teaches that it is necessary to make peace with those we are estranged from or those whom we hold in deep anger. There's a Chinese proverb which says, *"If you are patient in one moment, you will escape a hundred days of sorrow."* Another says, *"Holding on to anger is like grasping a hot coal with the intent of throwing it at someone else: you are the one that gets burned."* Both proverbs contain great wisdom.

Jesus makes demands of us as his followers. The way of being his disciples requires us to emulate his actions and values at all times. Among these are the readiness to forgive, to be peacemakers, to be tolerant and understanding of others, to mend broken relationships, to seek reconciliation, to make up when we fail a loved one, to heal the hurt we often cause. St. Matthew is not putting before us a harsh task but is simply calling the believing community of God's people to face the vision of life he gives us. None of us can do this alone. That is why we gather here weekly to pray that God will fund all our efforts to put Jesus' vision of life into practice. Jesus says, *"Blessed are the merciful, blessed are the peacemakers, blessed are the pure in heart, blessed are those who hunger for what is right and just..."* (St. Matthews Gospel.) Let us rise to the challenge. *Fr. Tony*

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 11th February

5.30pm MONTHS MIND
Paschal Meagher

ANNIVERSARIES

Alice Lawlor 1st; Joe Coyle 1st
Dominic Mooney 1st
Michael Small 2nd; Ann Cormack 9th
Teresa Roche (6 Months)
Phyllis Meagher 16th
Rita Mc Loughlin, Marcella Dooley
Patrick Boyne

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Aoife Hogan, John Paul Meagher

Sunday 12th February

9.30am MONTHS MIND

Victor Miguel Carreon

ANNIVERSARIES

William Hyland 13th; Brendan Kelly 17th
Kathleen Kelly 37th

11.00am ANNIVERSARIES

Patrick Watts 7th; Bridie Cusack 7th
Kathleen McEvoy; Joseph Hanlon
Deceased members of the Dunne Family
Cissie & Jimmy Minnock
Josephine Farren

12.30pm RECENTLY DECEASED

Christine Furlong

MONTHS MIND

George Brien

ANNIVERSARIES

Sadie Seale 1st; Christina Keenan 2nd
Nellie McCarthy 8th; Joe McCarthy 14th
Frank Gorman 19th
Richard Tobin 27th & deceased members
of the Tobin family
Anne Devlin, husband Jack, son George,
daughter in law Delia & grandson Mark –
Recently deceased
Thomas & Mary Byrne
Elizabeth Hamilton; Bernadette Hamilton

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Ciaran Collins; Val Byrne
James Furlong 94th

Monday 13th February

9.00am Celebrant's Intentions

Tuesday 14th February

9.00am Michael Hatton, Kate Dunne
Emmanuel Altman 25th

Wednesday 15th February

9.00am Joe Coyle 1st

Thursday 16th February

9.00am Celebrant's Intentions

Friday 17th February

9.00am Christopher Dixon 33rd

*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



Patrick Gilchriest, St Peter's Drive
Fr Eddie Griffin, Former Priest of the Diocese

*We express our deepest sympathies to their
families at this sad time.
May They Rest in Peace. Amen.*

Last Weekends Collections

1st Collection € 2,163
Share: € 1,391
Family Offering: € 1,185

*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, 18th February 2023

5.30pm A Fanthom & Pat Dunn

Sunday, 19th February 2023

9:30am Valerie Collins

11:00am Family Mass Group

12:30pm John Green

The Week Ahead...

Sunday 12th Feb. - Saturday 18th Feb 2023

Sunday	6th Sunday in Ord Time Year A
Monday	Of the Day
Tuesday	Ss Cyril & Methodius
Wednesday	Of the Day
Thursday	Of the Day
Friday	St Fintan [Leighlin]
Saturday	Of the Day

PARISH REPOSITORY

We have a selection of Prayer books, Rosary
beads and Rosettes for Confirmation and First
Communion as well as various religious books,
religious objects and the Irish Catholic
newspaper available in the Repository located at
the back of the Church.

**The 9.00am Weekday Mass in St Agnes Church is
recorded most days and can be viewed either live on
the Webcam or later in the day on the Parish Website**

Coeliac Hosts.

**For coeliacs who would like to
receive Holy Communion please
inform the sacristan before Mass
and let them know where you are
sitting in the church.**



ACCORD COLLECTION

The Annual Collection for ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, **will be made at all Masses this weekend.**

ACCORD Dublin throughout the Diocese continues to offer:

- Marriage Preparation courses - online, small groups.
- Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone.
- A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.

ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more than ever.

Please give as generously as possible.



NOVENA OF GRACE

This year our *Novena of Grace* will take place in our
Parish from 4th – 12th March. We will have two
sessions each day at 10.00am and 7.00pm. During
the Novena we will not have 9.00am mass
from Saturday 4th – Saturday 11th March.

This year Fr. Bryan Shortall, a member of
the Capuchin Order, Church Street, will be
the visiting priest for the Novena.



More information closer to the Novena will be given
in our Newsletter.

**Please remember to switch
your mobile phone off or to
Silent when in the Church**



FAMILY OFFERING

We are deeply grateful to you who faithfully
contribute on a regular basis to the family offering.

The Weekly Family Offering Envelopes and
monthly Standing Orders are the only collection
that goes directly to the parish, so you will
appreciate how important it is to the Parish
Finances. It is our main source of income that
covers the cost of insurance, heating, lighting and
maintenance. New family offering boxes of
envelopes for week commencing Sunday 5th March
2021 are now available in the parish office for
collection.

**If you are not a contributor, and are in a
position to contribute to the family
offering, please call to the parish office
to either sign up for a box of envelopes,
or complete a form to donate through the
bank by monthly standing order.**

New Pilgrim Path: Website of the Week: The 3 Minute Retreat



The 3-Minute Retreat, an outreach of Ignatian spirituality, is a peaceful online prayer experience that helps the user re-connect with God and re-centre the day. Changing daily, the website and app provide a mini retreat, with a Scripture passage, tranquil music, and questions to prompt reflection. Join the over 40,000 3-Minute Retreat users who return each day to enrich their spirituality and rest in God's loving presence. Access it at www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

DIVINE MERCY National Conference

We are delighted to be holding the 2023 Divine Mercy Conference in person once again. The conference will take place in the Main Hall of the RDS on the 17th, 18th and 19th February 2023. This years theme is 'Act justly, Love tenderly, Walk humbly with your God' Micah 6:8

For more information: www.divinemercuryconference.com / divinemercuryconference@gmail.com



LEGION OF MARY

Invitation to meet others bringing the good news of Jesus Christ to the world under the banner of his Dear Mother Mary. Local meetings are as follows:

- ⇒ **St. Agnes Parish Centre** Wednesday 3.00pm
- ⇒ **60 Sundrive Road** Monday 7.15pm; Wednesday 11.00am
- ⇒ **Walkinstown Church** Monday 7.30pm
- ⇒ **Greenhills Parish Centre** Wednesday 6.00pm; Thursday 11.00am

Please feel free to drop by. All are very welcome.



St. Agnes Parish - Family Mass Group

**Meets every Wednesday in St. Agnes Parish Centre In the Dodder Room
from 6.00pm – 7.00pm 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