St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

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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 (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 5.00-5.20pm 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 "My God, My God, why have you forsake me?" Psalm 21

HOLY THURSDAY

Holy Thursday is the beginning of what we call the *"Triduum"*, the powerful three day celebration of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus that has been the focus of our Lenten journey. At the Last Supper we see the tender mercy of Jesus as he washes the feet of his disciples. *"If I therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you too ought to wash one another's feet. I have given you an example to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do."* Who of us can forget the image of Pope Francis, soon after he was elected Pope, going to a Roman prison and washing the feet of prisoners, including the feet of a Muslim woman. Here is the true face of the Church of Jesus – one of humble service and merciful love, excluding no one. We also recall the institution of the *EUCHARIST*. At the Last Supper Jesus gave us the eternal memorial of his life: *"Do this in memory of me."* This is what we do every time we gather for the EUCHARIST: we remember what Jesus has done for us and we recall that *EUCHARIST AND SERVICE* go hand in hand.

GOOD FRIDAY

As a sign of stark grief at the death of Jesus, there is no Eucharist celebrated today. At the Good Friday ceremony, we listen to the Passion Narrative of Saint John. John proclaims that the death of Jesus is, paradoxically, the ultimate sign of God's love for the world. As Jesus told his disciples at the final Passover, "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." The love, mercy and compassion that had driven Jesus as God's Word of Love for the world would be expressed in the ultimate act of love – giving his life for others. Thus, Jesus completed the mission given to him by his Father. The cross of Jesus stands at the heart of the Christian story as the sign of the length "true love" will go in its passion for others. If we ever wonder if we are loved, just look at the figure on the cross. It is difficult to think we are unloved when someone thought we were worth dying for. That someone is JESUS, Son of God.

EASTER VIGIL and EASTER SUNDAY

When we celebrate Easter we hold sacred the memory of God's great act in raising Jesus from the dead. We believe that God's graciousness will be extended to us and that our own death will not be the final word. Our faith and the Word of God teach us that we will participate in Jesus' resurrection on the last day. The truth that God raised Jesus from the dead gives hope and trust to all of us who believe in JESUS and follow his ways and live in imitation of Him. The *Good News of Easter* is because of what Jesus has done for us in his life, death and resurrection, we too will be gathered where He is one day and enjoy the abundance of God's love, compassion and life. In this Holy Week let us keep vigil with Jesus and be filled with an awareness that as God accompanied Jesus in his passion, so too he is with us in all our difficulties and that we will rise to new life with him. *Fr. Tony.*



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 1st April

5.30pm MONTHS MIND Celine O'Donnell; Carol Twamley **ANNIVERSARIES** Seamus Byrne 1st; Robert Finnegan 1st Nancy Heary 4th; Mary Betty Carroll 5th Annie Kavanagh 5th; John Swords 8th Teresa Lowe nee Greene 8th Teresa Greene; John Hogan Michael & Mary Bride Michael, Eleanor & Michael Bride Christina & John Harrington Margaret & Tony Abbatiello Luke, Paddy & Maura McBride Chrissie & Colm Swords Breda Nugent; Sarah Donohoe Mary O'Donoghue Tilly, Ger & Finola Harrington **BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE** Bob Langan; Mary Kenny

Sunday 2nd April

- 9.30am **ANNIVERSARIES** Steve & Karl McGlynn 1st; Jimmy Flynn 7th **BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE** Sheila McGoldrick
- 11.00am MONTHS MIND Eleanor Pierce

ANNIVERSARIES Jimmy Flynn 7th; Sean Meleady Ann Fox & deceased family members

RECENTLY DECEASED 12.30pm Carmel McGinn nee Cox

ANNIVERSARIES Mary Norton 2nd; Thomas Rawlins 3rd Deceased members of the O'Keeffe family **BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE**

James Clancy; Rory O'Connor

Monday 3rd April

9.00am Pamela Esmonde; Tom Esmonde; Tony Burke

Tuesday 4th April

Celebrant's Intentions 9.00am

Wednesday 5th April

9.00am Celebrant's Intentions

Thursday 6th April – Holy Thursday

7.00pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday 7th April - Good Friday

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3.00pm

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



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

Last Weekends	Collections
1st Collection	€ 1,646
Share:	€ 1,425
Family Offering:	€ 1,180

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, 8th April 2023 8.00pm To be Advised by John Green Sunday, 2nd April 2023 9:30am Ben McDermott 11

12:30pm	Richard Tobin
11:00am	M Finnegan

The Week Ahead				
Sunday 2nd Apr Saturday 8th Apr.2023				
Sunday	Palm Sunday Year A			
Monday	Monday of Holy Week; St Stanislaus			
Tuesday	Tuesday of Holy Week			
Wednesday	Wednesday of Holy Week; St Martin I			
Thursday	Maundy Thursday			
Friday	Good Friday			
Saturday	Holy Saturday			

Easter Dues

Dues are an important source of income for the *Priests of the parish and of the Diocese including* sick and retired priests. Spare Dues envelopes are available at the Church exits. For parishioners who hold family offering envelopes there is an Easter Dues envelope in your envelope box. *We wish to thank you for your continued support to* St. Agnes' parish.

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



COMMEMORATIVE STATUE and bench

On *Easter Sunday, 9th April,* after the *12.30pm* mass we will have an unveiling and blessing of a specially commissioned Statue of Our Lady and Child and a bench, a project undertaken by the Parish Pastoral Council. The statue and seat were made in Italy and of marble. They will be placed in the space presently occupied by a statue beside Fr. Kitt's grave. They are beautiful pieces of art. The commemorative statue and bench are in memory of all parishioners who died from and during the Covid-19 pandemic, all who have been affected by Covid-19 and all who are still grieving. It is essentially in memory of our parishioners who died from covid and for those who are still suffering the consequences of the pandemic. We invite all families who lost a loved one during the pandemic and since to attend this commemoration. We ask parishioners to share news of this event with families in our parish and beyond: *Easter Sunday at 12.30pm*. We will share more information before the event. Thanks to Father Tom, (SDB) and Gerry Cully who undertook this project on behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council. Fr. Tony

Theology Open Day, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home.

Email enquiries@prioryinstitute.com to find out more about our Open Day on Saturday 29th April.

We Can Quit Smoking Cessation Programme Starting on Wednesday 19th April for 10 weeks - 7pm to 8.30pm in DSCP office 3/4 St. Agnes Road, Crumlin. The programme is for adults living in Dublin 8 or 12 who are looking for support to guit smoking. For more information please contact Úna on 089 4411673. Email: health@f2c.ie

The Parish Office and Parish centre will close at 4.45pm on Holy Thursday 8th April and will reopen on Wednesday 12th April at 9.30am.

Easter Mass Bouquets are now available for sale in the repository and the parish office.

Easter Schedule The Easter schedule listing all our Holy Week and Easter ceremonies is available at the Church doors. We encourage all parishioners to join us for the ceremonies.

Churchgate collection in aid of the Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind will be held this weekend

All money raised goes directly to the Irish Guide Dogs organisation which is headquartered in Cork, Ireland and works to support people with a vision impairment and

families of children with autism. It costs €53,000 to breed, train, and care for a dog for their working life and so we urge you to support this collection to enable us to continue to support our clients across the country. Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind is a registered



charity (No. CHY 6006). All the services we provide (Guide Dogs, Assistance Dogs, Long Cane Skills Training) and Independent Living Skills) are provided free of charge to our clients. Your support is greatly appreciated.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, by calling 1800 807077. Visit www.hospicefoundation.ie for more information.

AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you, or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, please consider using the Phone in and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail. For more information visit www.aware.ie/

New Pilgrim Path: Website of the Week: A Radical Alternative Theology of Atonement

As we stand at the threshold of another Holy Week, many still struggle with the idea that Jesus had to die for our sins as a sacrifice to appease a wrathful God. Franciscan theology offers an alternative, non-violent, atonement theory which has never been deemed heretical. This theory states that Jesus did not come to change the mind of God about humanity, he came to change the mind of humanity about God. Listen to a fascinating interview on this topic at www.newpilgrimpath.ie.



GOSPEL WORDSEARCH (Courtesy of Salford Diocese)

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The Liturgy of the Word for Palm Sunday is available in the Booklets provided at the Church Doors

WAY OF THE CROSS

The 18th annual Way of the Cross takes place in the Phoenix Park on Good Friday, April 7, at midday, beginning at the Wellington Monument and finishing at the Papal Cross. It will be led by Archbishop Farrell. Organised by <u>Communion and Liberation</u>.

ST AGNES CHURCH, CRUMLIN HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2023

HOLY THURSDAY – 6th April

9.00am 7.00pm

Rosary

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper with procession to the Altar of Repose where there will be prayer and reflection until 9.00pm

GOOD FRIDAY – 7th April (A Day of Fast and Abstinence)

9.00am 12.00pm 3.00pm	Rosary Family Stations of the Cross Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion, Liturgy of the Word, unveiling & veneration of the Cross, concluding with reception of Holy Communion Stations and Prover around the Cross
7.00 pm HOLY SATURDAY – 8th	Stations and Prayer around the Cross
9.00am 8.00pm	Rosary Easter Vigil
EASTER SUNDAY – 9th 9.30am; 11.00am and 12	
EASTER WEEK Monday to Friday	. + .
9.00am Saturday	Mass TI
9.00am 5.30pm	Mass Vigil Mass for Sunday
CONFESSIONS	
Good Friday Holy Saturday	After Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Pasion 1.00pm—3.00pm

The Priests of the Parish and the Pastoral Council invite you to join with us at St. Agnes Church for the celebration of Holy Week and Easter. May we wish you the joy of Easter as we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ