

# St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter



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5th November 2023, 31st Sunday of 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](http://www.crumlinparish.ie/watch-live) into your search or  
[churchmedia.tv](http://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

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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](http://www.crumlinparish.ie)



## Thought for the Week

*It's not enough to win a war; it is more important to organise the  
peace" - Aristotle*

## REFLECTION – 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2023

We have come through the autumn season, a season which contains its own beauty, mystery and revelations. The changing seasons have brought us to the dark of winter evenings. As we watch the leaves fluttering to the ground we are reminded that nature's cycles are mirrored in our own lives. We have to let go of much in our lives that are burdens - attitudes, opinions, notions, cynicism, meanness of spirit – all those destructive things that diminish our humanity, our dignity as God's children. We can befriend a darkness of spirit unconsciously. Thus, the need to allow this season prompt our own need of **"letting go"** of negative and destructive things within. The seasons of autumn and winter remind us of the fragility of everything. Nothing stays the same. We have witnessed the budding of new life in springtime and the flowering and profusion of beauty in summer. The Jewish Rabbi and writer, Harold Kushner, in *The Lord is my Shepherd*, says **that "when we contemplate autumn changes, we grow to appreciate all the beauties that surround us."**



I always find this time of year to be very challenging in many ways but it also invites me to a process of reflection and prayer. A time to be grateful for the mystery and beauty of creation. A time to learn the necessity of rooting out certain traits that are not of God. As we watch the leaves falling to the ground we can see what it is we need to **"let fall"** away so that new life emerges. We can find inspiration in looking at the myriad of changes in the seasons. I am admiring the falling leaves as I write and in each dancing leaf, I'm imagining what it is in my life I need to let fall to the ground and make room for the things of God. Spiritually and at the level of prayer and growing in my relationship with God, this time of year reminds me, as Ecclesiastes says: **"There is a season, a time for everything under the heavens.."** (Eccl: 3:1), This season for me is one for finding silence and introspection about life and death, about the seasons of my own life. Mary Oliver, the poet, says succinctly: **"To pay attention, this is our endless and proper work.."** In our prayer we become grateful for what we have and aware of how we can transform our human landscapes through our **"letting go"** and make greater space for God.

*Fr. Tony*

# MASS INTENTIONS

## Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November

**5.30pm MONTHS MIND**  
Joseph McCarthy; Patrick Cowzer

**ANNIVERSARIES**  
Julia Collins 1<sup>st</sup>  
John Sheehan 2<sup>nd</sup>; Esther McGauley 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Gemma Hodgins 3<sup>rd</sup>; Margaret Lynch 3<sup>rd</sup>  
John Keogh 12<sup>th</sup>; John Lloyd 35<sup>th</sup>  
John Fagan; John Gill

## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November

**9.30am ANNIVERSARIES**  
Bridie McManus 9<sup>th</sup>; Tim Coffey 24<sup>th</sup>

**BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE**  
Elizabeth Marie O'Brien

*Remembering all those enrolled in our book of Remembrance*

**11.00am MONTHS MIND**  
Colette Humphries Eakins

**ANNIVERSARIES**  
Bridie Keating 5<sup>th</sup> also husband Denis 8<sup>th</sup>  
Adrian Tucker 6<sup>th</sup>; Frank Donohoe 10<sup>th</sup>  
Teresa & Gerard Hooke  
Jim & Joan Kennedy

**12.30pm MONTHS MIND**  
Phyllis Ryan

**ANNIVERSARIES**  
Rosemary Lynam 1<sup>st</sup>; Tommy Curran 13<sup>th</sup>  
Mary Beagan 29<sup>th</sup>  
Patrick & Patricia Quigley  
Thomas & Carol Lynam  
Kieran Lynam; Pauline Russell  
Molly, James & Margaret Phillips

## Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November

**9.00am** Celebrant's Intentions

## Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November

**9.00am** Anthony Murphy Recently Deceased  
Maura Byrne 2<sup>nd</sup>  
James T Ryan & Bridget T Ryan 70<sup>th</sup>  
Wedding anniversary remembrance  
Helen Mahon Remembrance  
Deceased of Mahon & O'Brien families

## Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November

**9.00am** Celebrant's Intentions

## Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November

**9.00am** Celebrant's Intentions

## Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November

**9.00am** Celebrant's Intentions

*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

Lilian Kennedy, Templeogue  
Linda McDonagh, originally Crumlin  
Carmel McLoughlin, Cherryfield Drive  
Myles Burke, Stanaway Road



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

*May they Rest in Peace. Amen.*

### Last Weekends Collections

1st Collection € 1,431  
Share Collection: € 1,243  
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](http://www.crumlinparish.ie)*

### St Agnes Parish Reader's Roster

*If you cannot make your scheduled Reading please contact John Green*

#### Saturday, 11th November 2023

**5.30pm** Pat Dunn

#### Sunday, 12th November 2023

**9:30am** Veronica McDermott  
**11:00am** Mary Finnegan  
**12:30pm** Nuala Talbot

### The Week Ahead...

Sunday 5th Nov - Saturday 11th Nov 2023

<b>Sunday</b>	31st Sunday of Ord Time
<b>Monday</b>	All Saints of Ireland
<b>Tuesday</b>	St Willibrord
<b>Wednesday</b>	Of the Day
<b>Thursday</b>	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
<b>Friday</b>	St Leo the Great
<b>Saturday</b>	St Martin of Tours

### 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 month 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.*



## St Agnes's Parish Finance Statement

## ST AGNES'S PARISH STATEMENT YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

To the right is a copy of the audited Parish Finance Statement for the year ended, 2022. I am very grateful to our Parish Finance Committee along with The Diocesan Finance Office for finalising this statement. I am also very grateful to you, our parishioners, for your financial support at all times throughout the year. The main source of income for supporting our financial commitments comes from the Family Envelope Fund, one off donations, rental from Parish Centre and shrines. Whatever you give financially is greatly appreciated, especially in these times. If any parishioner would like to make a donation in whatever way you choose, or if you have any query about this statement, please contact myself, Fr. Tony. We are depending on the generosity and support of a relatively small number of contributors. So, any support will be much accepted and valued. Thank you again for your generous support and co-operation at all times.

Fr. Tony.

		2022	
<b>Income</b>			
Family Offering	€	106,792.00	
Donations and Bequests	€	13,197.00	
Shrine Income	€	94,597.00	
Insurance Claim and VAR Compensation	€	36,497.00	
Rental Income	€	128,534.00	
Sundry Income including Coffee Dock	€	2,944.00	€ 382,561.00
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Staff Salaries and Expenses	€	100,288.00	
Building Related Expenses	€	7,969.00	
Heat and Light	€	51,343.00	
Office and Newsletter Expenses	€	6,746.00	
Repairs and Renewals	€	31,976.00	
Pastoral Expenses	€	2,308.00	
Altar Supplies Shrine Candles and Missalettes	€	40,675.00	
Telephone and Postage	€	2,943.00	
Other Office Supplies including Mass Cards	€	2,580.00	
Bank Charges	€	1,995.00	
Catering and Entertainment	€	882.00	
Diocesan Administration Charges	€	2,008.00	
Music Expenses	€	19,414.00	
Rent Rates and Insurance	€	49,325.00	
Cleaning and Bin Charges	€	9,355.00	
Security Costs including alarms and cameras	€	8,679.00	
New Collection Bags	€	1,000.00	
Office Equipment and Software	€	8,991.00	
			€ 348,477.00
<b>NET INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</b>			<b>€34,084.00</b>

### ST AGNES PARISH ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED

St. Agnes Parish Annual Mass for deceased parishioners will take place on Thursday 23rd November at 7.00pm. Invitations will be sent to all of the families concerned.



**Church Choir Notice - Mass for deceased members of the church choir will be held on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 12.30pm.**

### **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR**

Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver are holding their Annual Christmas Fair on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November at St. Joseph's Parish Hall – Terenure from 10.30am to 2.00pm.

All are welcome. Tel. 01 4909360  
[missiondublin@stpeterclaver.ie](mailto:missiondublin@stpeterclaver.ie) CHY: 3462

### **Hallelujah Christmas Concert**

**St. Agnes Church, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec @ 7.00pm**

Come join "Hallelujah Christmas" for a magical musical evening, filled with all your festive favourites.

Tickets available from the Parish Office and from Karen in the Sacristy.

Seniors and U18: € 17.00

Adults: € 20.00



A raffle will be held during the interval, all proceeds going to Alone and Reaching Out to Homeless

**Lighting Candles - For safety reasons please use tapers or lighters provided when lighting candles.**

**DANGER:-Children MUST be supervised by a parent, guardian or adult when lighting candles**

### **Christmas Mass Bouquets**

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



### **LORCAN O'TOOLE CHRISTMAS CARDS**

**Are on sale in the Repository and Parish Office, €5 for a pack of 12, all donations go to the Lorcan O'Toole Day Centre**





## GOSPEL WORDSEARCH *(Courtesy of Salford Diocese)*

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SCRIBES

CHAIR

MOSES

LISTEN

GUIDED

PRACTISE

PREACH

BURDENS

SHOULDERS

TASSELS

RABBI

SERVANT



### Sunday Liturgy of the Word

**FIRST READING** Mal.1:14-2:2.8-10

**A reading from the prophet Malachi.**

I am a great king, says the Lord of hosts, and my name is feared throughout the nations. And now, priests, this warning is for you. If you do not listen, if you do not find it in your heart to glorify my name, says the Lord of hosts, I will send the curse on you and curse your very blessing. You have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching. You have destroyed the covenant of Levi, says the Lord of hosts. And so I in my turn have made you contemptible and vile in the eyes of the whole people in repayment for the way you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration. Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? Why, then, do we break faith with one another, profaning the covenant of our ancestors? The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 130

**(R) Guard my soul in peace before you, O Lord.**

1. O Lord, my heart is not proud nor haughty my eyes.

I have not gone after things too great nor marvels beyond me. **(R)**

2 Truly I have set my soul in silence and peace.

A weaned child on its mother's breast, even so is my soul. **(R)**

3. O Israel, hope in the Lord both now and for ever. **(R)**

SECOND READING 1 Thes. 2:7-9.13

**A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.**

Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well. Let me remind you, brothers, how hard we used to work, slaving night and day so as not to be a burden on any one of you while we were proclaiming God's Good News to you. Another reason why we constantly thank God for you is that as soon as you heard the message, you accepted it for what it really is, God's message and not some human thinking; and it is still a living power among you who believe it. The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1Sam.3:9.Jn.6:68

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

GOSPEL Mt. 23;1-12

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.**

Then addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said "The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi." "You, however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one Master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**