

St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

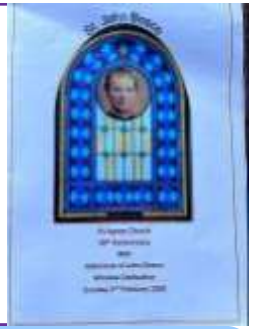
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9th March 2025, 1st Sunday of Lent , Year C



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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 (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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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

"Nothing great is ever achieved without much enduring"
St Catherine of Sienna

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 2025

We have arrived at the Lenten season. We have come through the darkness of winter and now we are emerging into brighter days and longer evenings. In nature we are witnessing the bursting forth of new life. Soon there will be a flourishing of colour – daffodils, crocuses and cherry blossoms. The gardens are being readied to radiate their beauty, even if it's an almost lifeless shrub slowly coming back to life after the winter harshness. Spring lambs will soon be jumping on farmlands and hillsides. **Gerald Manley Hopkins** says, *"The world is charged with the grandeur of God.."* And so it is and will be. The beauty and grandeur appear almost unnoticed. Spring is a timely reminder of how beautiful change can be. Just look at nature! Let us also appreciate what "change" can do in our lives.

The late Pope Benedict said, *"Life is not just a succession of events or experiences. It is a search for the true, the good and the beautiful. It is to this end that we make our choices. It is for this that we exercise our freedom. It is in this – in truth and in goodness and in beauty that we find our true joy and happiness. Our life originates as a loving plan of God."*

Many of us received the blessed ashes on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday. Seems strange in a world obsessed with facial beauty oils and creams – in the hope of keeping us young and wrinkle free - that we should place something as dirty as ashes on our forehead! However, the sign of the cross marked on our foreheads with ashes represents an inner desire to cleanse our hearts and souls from all that keeps us from living in God's ways and from being the person He calls us to be. It's a recognition of our need for God's graces at all times. Who of us can say that we do not need God's mercy or that we do not need to change some attitude or behaviour so that we are better human beings, better followers of Christ? Lent comes from a word which means *"springtime"* and we often speak about a *spring cleaning*. Now is the acceptable time for us as God's people to do some inner *'spring cleaning'* – to renew our faith in God, to deepen our prayer, to grow in reverence for Christ in the Eucharist, to seek forgiveness, to be more caring, kinder and compassionate, to have a deeper sense of justice for the needy and poor in our midst, to reach out in charity to those with little. Above all, this is our time - **LENT** - to become more Christ-like in all that we do, to allow God's life deepen in our hearts. The prophet Micah says: *"He has shown you, O mortal one, what is good. And what does the lord require of you? To act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."* St. Catherine of Sienna said: *"Nothing great is ever achieved without much enduring."* In the prayer of Henri Nouwen we pray, *"Lord, make this Lenten Season different from the other ones. Let me find you again. Amen."* *May we each find God anew this Lenten journey.*

Fr. Tony

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 8th March

5.30pm

MONTHS MIND

Geraldine Cowzer; Ann Conran

ANNIVERSARIES

Noel McGee 1st; Catherine Hussey 1st

Mary Daly 1st, Andrew Reddy 3rd;

Freda Boland 3rd

Sr. Mary Coleman 5th; Susan O'Reilly 29th

Helen Mahon also remembering

her mother Betty; Seamus Griffin

Sunday 9th March

9.30am

ANNIVERSARIES

Nancy Brennan 17th; Nora Doyle 20th

Martin Cullen 41st; Maureen Barry

Ann & John Hastings; Tom & Annie McKenna

Antoinette McKenna

Remembering all those enrolled in our Book of Remembrance

11.00am

MONTHS MIND

Jimmy Carter

ANNIVERSARIES

James Jim McKenna 4th; Patrick Delaney 5th

Syl O'Connor 7th; Gerard Hession 11th

Nuala O'Connor 14th

William Bonner 74th also remembering wife

Rose 20th & deceased of the Bonner family

Joe & Josephine Mackey

Deceased of the Coughlan family

Ken Hession Birthday Remembrance

12.30pm

ANNIVERSARIES

Elizabeth Lillie McDaid 2nd;

Maureen Walsh 5th; Helena Christie 7th

Christopher Connell 25th; Austin Walsh 30th

Fr. David Boylan

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Joe Keegan; Yvonne Ryan

Monday 10th March

10.00am Peter Kelly 12th

7.00pm Peter Kelly 12th

Tuesday 11th March

10.00am Patrick O'Raw Birthday Rem

7.00pm Novena of Grace

Wednesday 12th March

10.00am Novena of Grace

7.00pm Novena of Grace

Thursday 13th March

9.00am Celebrant's Intentions

Friday 14th March

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

Dermot Delaney, Cashel Road

Theresa Doran, Somerville Avenue

Mary Lettis, Windmill Avenue

Annette Kelly, Brandon Road



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

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

Last Weekends Collections

1st Collection € 2,213

Share: € 1,746

Family Offering: € 1,485

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

The Week Ahead...

Sunday 2nd March - Saturday 8th March 2025

Sunday	1st Sunday of Lent Year C
Monday	Of the Day
Tuesday	St Aengus
Wednesday	Of the Day
Thursday	Of the Day
Friday	Of the Day
Saturday	Of the Day

PRAYER GUIDE FOR LENT WALK WITH ME BOOKLET

This is the title of a very helpful booklet that provides prayers and reflections for Lent and Easter. It comes in a pocket sized edition which is very handy to bring anywhere. It is available in the Repository and the Parish Office at a cost of €1.30 and is excellent value.

Trocaire Boxes are available at all Church exits, please take one home and save over the Lenten period.

Lost & Found

John Mooney would like to sincerely thank Sam, who found his wallet during the week & posted it back to Naas.

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



St Agnes Parish Novena of Grace & Parish Retreat 4th - 12th March 2025



Conducted by *Fr. John Walsh OP Dominican Church, Dominick St*

Please note during the Novena of Grace Tuesday 4th to Wednesday 12th March there is no 9.00am Mass, only 10.00am and 7.00pm each day. Also the Church will open at 8:45am daily

Date	Times	Topic
Sunday 9 th March	11.00am ONLY	Healing not Curing With Special Blessing for the Sick
Monday 10 th March	10.00am & 7.00pm	The Black Sheep
Tuesday 11 th March	10.00am & 7.00pm	Forgiveness/Mercy (Mass at 10am followed by Confessions, and there will be a reconciliation service with Confessions at 7pm (No Mass at 7pm))
Wednesday 12 th March	10.00am & 7.00pm	Mary, Mother of Mercy and Refuge

CONFESSIONS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST DURING THE NOVENA

The Coffee Dock will be open Monday to Friday during the Novena. Please drop in after Mass for a cuppa and a chat. All are welcome.

St. Patrick's Day

We are fast approaching St. Patrick's Day. At this time we think a lot about our family and loved ones who are living abroad. As a way of remembering and praying for them, please write their names on the slip of paper provided and place in the box which will be left at the top of the Church. They will all be remembered in our prayers at the 2 Masses on St. Patrick's Day.



Masses on St. Patrick's day Monday 17th March will be at 9.30am and 11.00am only

Shamrock Pots

Pots of shamrock will be sold in aid of Children's Health Ireland here in St. Agnes Church on Saturday 15th March and Sunday 16th March at all Masses. The pots of shamrock will cost €6 each.



New Pilgrim Path - Website of the Week: 40 Acts of Love for Lent



'Our lives will not be measured by the big things we do but rather by the little steps we take to make a difference. Each day during Lent take a step with us and together we will change the world.'

'40 Acts of Love for Lent' offers a daily action to be taken for the good of each other and of our environment. Living for others is a rule of nature. The purpose of being a human – our common mission – is to reach out to God, to other humans and to all creation. What better way to set out on our Lenten journey than with the 40-day challenge – 40 acts of love – for others, for creation – one for each day of Lent? Access this great resource at www.newpilgrimpath.ie

POOR BOX CONTRIBUTIONS

Out of donations given to the Poor Box since the new year began, cheques of €400 each have been given to **ALICE LEAHY TRUST: ALONE** and **FRIENDS OF THE ELDERLY**. These charities always appreciate our support and their acknowledgements will be put on the notice boards when received. The Poor Box is on the back wall to the left as you enter the Church. Thank you for your generosity for those in need of any kind. *Fr. Tony*

ST. AMBROSE PRAYER

*Lord, who has mercy take away from me my sins,
And mercifully enkindle in me the fire of the Holy Spirit.
Take away from me the heart of stone and give me a heart
of flesh,*

*A heart to love and adore you, a heart to delight in you,
To follow and enjoy You, for Christ's sake. AMEN.*

(St. Ambrose.)

*Creator of my life, renew me: bring me to new life in you.
Touch me and make me feel whole again. Help me to see
your love in the passion, death and resurrection of your
Son, Jesus. Help me to observe Lent in a way that enables
me to celebrate that love. Prepare me in these days of Lent
that I may be deeply aware of your undying love and
may we imitate the compassion, mercy and love of
Jesus, your Son. AMEN*

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

Sunday's Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING Deut. 26:4-10

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said to the people: "The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement: 'My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us; they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me.' "You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God." The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 90:1-2.10-15.R.v.15

(R) Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.

1. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: "My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!" (R)

2. Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell.

For you has he commanded his angels, To keep you in all your ways. (R)

3. They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. (R)

4. His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: "I am with you. I will save him in distress and give him glory (R)

SECOND READING Rom. 10:8-13

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans.

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says; those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek; all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 4:4

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

GOSPEL Luke 4: 1-13

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your Spirit

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

People: Glory to you O Lord.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf." But Jesus replied, "Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone."

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, "I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours." But Jesus answered him, "Scripture says: you must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone." Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. "If you are the Son of God", he said to him, "throw yourself down from here, for scripture says; He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again: They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone." But Jesus answered him, "It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test." Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time. The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Koins for Kids

Koins for Kids Ireland takes old, new, obsolete, low denomination, damaged, dirty or any nationality coins or banknotes.

We are a voluntary charity putting all our efforts into the funding of a pediatric MRI scanner for children, this will make a big impact on young lives. No donation is too small, and your donation can be left in the Sacristy or in the Parish Office.

Phone: 086 0858521 www.koinsforkids.ie



Prayer to Our Blessed Mother

Take my hand, O Blessed Mother, hold me firmly lest I fall; I grow nervous while I'm walking and on thee I humbly call. Guide me over every crossing, watch me when I'm on the stairs

Let me know that you're beside me; listen to my fervent prayers.

Bring me to my destination safely every single day, Help me with each undertaking as the hours pass away.

And when evening falls upon me, and I fear to be alone:

Take my hand O Blessed Mother, once again and lead me home. Amen



Prayer in Lent - Beginning on Thursday 13th March at 7.30pm and for the following Thursdays up to 10th April, Reflections on the Stations of the Cross will take place in our Parish Centre. The reflections will be given by 3 parishioners who have completed the Pathways program in our diocese. ALL ARE WELCOME.