

St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

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1st June 2025, Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, 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
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



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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

"Our work is to enlarge the tent and to let everyone know they are
welcome inside the Church." - Pope Leo XIV

REFLECTION – 3rd MAY / 1st JUNE, 2025

The Word of God for this weekend gives us two accounts of the final departure of Jesus. Both are written by St. Luke. He tells us that Jesus's return to his Father is the completion of his mission, while at the same time it marks the beginning of a new time. Ascension is an ending and a beginning. We know that death was not the final address for Jesus. Our faith proclaims that God raised him from the dead and that he let himself be known to his chosen followers so that they could have new life in him. In Luke's gospel when Jesus appears to the disciples he does not breathe the Holy Spirit on them nor does he commission them to go out to preach. He tells them to wait in Jerusalem for the sending of the Holy Spirit. For St. Luke, Jesus has to return to his Father before the Holy Spirit descends on the apostles. His leaving will bring about the Feast of Pentecost. Only after this will the disciples be strengthened and blessed to continue the mission of Jesus. They will need to be clothed with many gifts and talents and with a great courage in their mission. The disciples must be **"clothed with the power from on high."** So Jesus takes them to Bethany, blesses them and his ascension marks the end of his earthly mission. **Now is the time of the Spirit.**

Jesus himself began his public ministry filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism. From then on Jesus lived out his mission to all God's people, giving totally of himself in love, sacrifice, caring and compassion. Jesus fulfilled his mission because he was filled with the Holy Spirit.

When the disciples receive the Holy Spirit at Pentecost they are enabled to continue the mission of Jesus. Strengthened with the Spirit they face their calling with courage and confidence and are emboldened to witness in the name of Jesus, despite all the challenges they will face.

As we await the Feast of Pentecost next week we wait in hope, prayer and expectation. All of us, through our baptism are part of the family of the Church, the family gathered in the name of Jesus. **Each of us is part of the Church: each of us has a different role to play, different gifts to offer for the up-building of the Christian community.**

St. Paul prays fervently for the early Church so that they will be open to receive the Holy Spirit. Without the Spirit the community will die. Without the Spirit, the community will fracture. It's an amazing thought for us to believe that God depends on each one of us to keep the memory of Jesus alive in our Parish Community. On our own we cannot achieve this but with the Spirit we can achieve great things together. As we approach Pentecost, we pray for open hearts to receive the fruits and gifts of the Holy Spirit.

"Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, enkindle in us the fire of your love."

Fr. Tony

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 31st May

5.30pm MONTHS MIND

Eileen Healy

ANNIVERSARIES

Lorna McGovern 2ⁿ

Betty Murray 2nd

Alan Deans 15th

Bertie Samson 28th

Ethna Morton 49th also her husband

Thomas 55th

Thomas Elders 52nd

Sunday 1st June

9.30am ANNIVERSARIES

Elizabeth Farnan 11th

Matthew Blackburne 30th

Edward Deegan

Remembering all those enrolled in our Book of Remembrance

11.00am BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Bridget Theresa Ryan 94th

Barry Kane

12.30pm MONTHS MIND

Josephine O'Riordan

ANNIVERSARIES

Peter Tivenan 1st

Breda O'Neill 10th

Patrick Traynor 25th

Emily & Jack Mitchell

Finola Watchorn Remembrance

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

George & Sarah O'Donnell

Andrew Roche 85th

Monday 2nd June

9.00am Celebrant's Intentions

Tuesday 3rd June

9.00am Celebrant's Intentions

Wednesday 4th June

9.00am Linda Redmond 8th

Thursday 5th June

9.00am Celebrant's Intentions

Friday 6th June

9.00am Elizabeth Doris 18th

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



Noeleen Flinter, St. Teresa's Road

Esther O'Malley, Muckcross Park

Phyllis Roche, Rafter's Road

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

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

Last Weekends Collections

1st Collection € 2,013

Share Collection: € 1,556

Family Offering: € 1,045

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 1st June - Saturday 7th June 2025

Sunday The Ascension

Monday Ss Marcellinus & Peter

Tuesday St Kevin

Wednesday St Charles Lwanga & Uganda Martyrs

Thursday St Boniface

Friday St Jarlath [Tuam]

Saturday St Colman [Dromore]

June Bank Holiday

As Monday 2nd June is a Bank Holiday, the parish office and parish centre will be closed.

The Church will close after the 9.00am Mass.

St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth has a range of postgraduate programmes for those interested in Theology, Philosophy, Youth Ministry and more. Visit their website for more details at www.sppu.ie/courses.

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.



LEGION OF MARY

The Annual Commemoration Ceremony for the Servant of God Frank Duff will be held at Glasnevin Cemetery on Sunday 8th June at 3.00pm. The speaker will be Rev. Fr. Bernardo de Nardo. All are welcome

ST AGNES PARISH ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Will take place on **Thursday 28th August**. The Pilgrimage will follow the usual format. Depart 8.30am from St. Agnes Church. Morning tea/coffee and scone at the Percy French Hotel in Strokestown. The usual ceremonies in Knock.

We will depart for Dublin, stopping again for dinner in the Percy French Hotel arriving back in the Parish at 9.30pm approx. **The cost is €60 per person**. It is important that you book early to guarantee your seat. **€20 deposit is required**. Book with Colette in the Parish Office or with Karen in the Sacristy.



ST. KEVIN is one of the Patron Saints of the Archdiocese of Dublin, his Feast Day is on Tuesday 3rd June. Kevin was born in 498, he lived and studied for the priesthood in Kilnarnagh one of our neighbouring parishes. After being ordained he came to Glendalough to follow his dream which was to find God in solitude and prayer. He lived the life of a hermit for 7 years, he had a deep love for nature and deep respect for all created things. He lived a very simple life, and soon became known as a holy man and others came to Glendalough to seek his advice, to be healed and to follow his way of life. Gradually small monastic communities were established, his fame as a teacher and holy man spread far and wide. Over time the monastic settlement at Glendalough grew to become one of the great Spiritual centres of Christianity in Ireland, flourishing for a thousand years after **St. Kevin's death**. You could take time out over the bank holiday weekend to travel to Glendalough which is a beautiful and peaceful place.

Hospice Sunflower Days

Can you spare an hour or two for Hospice Sunflower Days?

Sunflower Days is one of Our Lady's Hospice & Care Services most important fundraising events of the year! Our volunteers will be returning to shopping centres all over South Dublin on **Friday 6th and Saturday 7th June**. We are currently recruiting volunteers for South Dublin - a few hours can make all the difference! Please contact 01-4911072 Or fundraising@olh.ie



BAPTISMS IN OUR CHURCH

Thanks to our Deacon Jimmy who prepares the families for the baptisms in our Church which we have twice a month – **2nd and 4th Sundays at 1.30pm**. A parishioner, Margaret, was at the celebration of Baptisms recently by Jimmy and she was very moved by the joyfulness of the ceremony and that the atmosphere was friendly and relaxed. The celebration brought back memories of her own children's baptisms and her grandchildren. Well done Jimmy.

CONCERT IN OUR CHURCH

The St. Agnes Centre for Music and Art (CCMA) will host a concert in our Church on **TUESDAY, 17th JUNE at 8.00pm**. Sr. Bernadette and Dr. Joanna Crooks have organised this concert to celebrate the 90th Anniversary of the dedication of our Church (1935). The admission is free and the Church doors open at 7.30pm. **ALL ARE WELCOME** to come to this celebratory concert.

ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP FOR JUNE

Because of the concert in our Church on the third Tuesday of June, the monthly mass will be celebrated in the Day Chapel with rosary at 6.45pm followed by mass at 7.00pm, concluding with benediction and blessing with the relic of St. Padre Pio.

Rosary Rally—Join over 10,000 Pilgrims | All Ireland Rosary Rally | Knock | Sat, 7th June

Over 10,000 pilgrims are expected at the 40th All-Ireland Rosary Rally on Saturday, June 7th at Knock Shrine. Events begin at 9:30am with a Marian Conference and conclude with a Pentecost Vigil and Healing Service from 8–10pm. Highlights include a Rosary making workshop, a 250-person Rosary formation for filming. Keynote at 1pm by Msgr. Steve Rossetti, USA Rosary Procession led by children follows the Stations of the Cross at 2:30pm, with Holy Mass at 3pm celebrated by Bishop Donal McKeown. Music by Dana. A youth conference runs 6–7:30pm. Rosary Rally ends with a Croagh Patrick climb and Mass on Sunday at noon. Full schedule and bus info: www.allirelandrosaryrally.com.

Venerable Matt Talbot Centenary Weekend Services

- ◆ Centenary Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Dermot Farrell on Sat 7th June in the Pro Cathedral at 3.00pm.
- ◆ Talks will take place on Friday 6th June at 7pm, and on Sunday 8th June at 2.00pm in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean McDermott St.
- ◆ Please see noticeboard for full details.



Sunday's Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING Acts 1:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations; for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. "It is," he had said, "what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit."

Now having met together, they asked him, "Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel? He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth."

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, "Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same

way as you have seen him go there."

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 46:2-3.6-9.R.v.6

(R) God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

1. All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God, with shouts of joy!

For the Lord, The Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. (R)

2. God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. (R)

3. God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill.

God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. (R)

SECOND READING 1 Eph 1:17-23

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians.

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can

be named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation. The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 28:19-20

Alleluia, alleluia! Go, make disciples of all the nations; I am with you always; yes, to the end of time. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 24:46-53

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your Spirit

Priest: **The end of the holy Gospel according to Luke.**

People: Glory to you O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: "You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this." "And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high."

Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God. The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER BEFORE EXAMS

We wish all our young people well in their examinations beginning this week. Much hard study has been done and may you do well. We will keep you in our prayers.

Heavenly Father, be with me as I take this exam. Keep my mind alert and my memory sharp. Calm my anxieties and help me to concentrate.



Help me to know you are with me at all times, guiding my path and inspiring my heart. May your peaceful presence sustain me during these exams. I place my fears, worries and concerns before you, trusting that your Holy Spirit will direct all my efforts and studies. As I look to the future may I, with your protection, find opportunities to make a worthwhile and valuable contribution to the world with my knowledge, skills and gifts. I make this prayer in the name of Jesus the Lord. AMEN .

NOVENA PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE CHURCH IN THE DUBLIN DIOCESE

*Come Holy Spirit, revive and renew us:
Come Holy Spirit, inspire and enthuse us:
Come Holy Spirit, unbind and release us.
Open our eyes to see God's grace around us:
Open our ears to hear God's voice within us:
Open our hearts to welcome God among us.
Send us out with joy to live the gospel:
Send us out with peace to act as one:
Send us out with love to build up hope.*

AMEN

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.