

# St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

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14th September 2025, Exaltation of the Cross

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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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## 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

*"There is no Christianity without the Cross and there's no Cross without  
Jesus Christ." (Pope Francis)*

## REFLECTION – 13th/14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

Summer has come and gone in a flash and autumn has begun to truly manifest itself. We look around us and notice changes of all kinds. As a poet once said: *"Autumn shows us how beautiful it is to let things go."* How true!! Albert Camus said, *"Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower."* John Donne said, *"No spring nor summer beauty has such grace as I have seen in autumn."* Nature teaches us many lessons for life. If we reflect on autumn over days and weeks the themes of letting go and surrendering, transformation and new beginnings, inner reflectiveness and awareness of life, acceptance of change, a sense of mystery, awe and wonder are all metaphors for what we witness. We all go through our seasons of life and each brings change and challenge. Here is a lovely prayer by Sister Joyce Rupp and I hope it will give you some inspiration for this time of the year.

*"Gracious God of every turning season, may I be open to the teachings of this season of autumn, and turn, as autumn does towards opportunities for spiritual change and blessings. When I confront the tattered parts of my life, walk with me among the dying leaves. Let them tell me about the power to re-energise myself. When I fear the loss of youth and the reality of aging, turn my face to the brilliant colours of autumn trees. Brush your love past my heart with the beauty of the golden leaves twirling from the trees. When I refuse to wait with the mystery of the unknown and when I struggle to control rather than let life evolve, encourage me to enter into the stillness and silent mystery and wait for wisdom and clarity. When I fight unwanted and unsought changes and when I want to keep things just as they are, place me on the wings of birds flying south for another season. Gather the spirit of freedom into my heart. Let me leave my well satisfied place of comfort for the discomfort of the long flight into the unknown. God of life, you believe in us and enrich us: you entrust us with the freedom to choose life: you move us into deep places of your love. For all that autumn teaches us – thank you O God."*

Fr. Tony.

## CELEBRATION FOR OUR 90+ YEARS PARISHIONERS

Are you the same age as our Church or older? We are inviting anyone born in 1935 - 1936 or over 90 years of age to join us on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 12.30pm Mass to celebrate you and our Church being 90.

If you would like to be part of our celebration, please give your name to Karen in the Sacristy or Colette in the Parish Office

# MASS INTENTIONS

## Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September

5.30pm

### ANNIVERSARIES

Marjorie Burke 1<sup>st</sup>; Anthony Crowe 1<sup>st</sup>  
Gertrude Harris 1<sup>st</sup>; Mary Lloyd 2<sup>nd</sup>  
George Hunt 3<sup>rd</sup>; Michael Rigney 20<sup>th</sup>

### BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Joe Keegan; Madge Higgins  
Freda Doherty

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September

9.30am

### ANNIVERSARIES

Leo Kerrigan 4<sup>th</sup> & deceased of Kerrigan family; James Butterly 7<sup>th</sup>

*Remembering all those enrolled in our Book of Remembrance*

11.00am

### ANNIVERSARIES

David Byrne 6<sup>th</sup>; Irene Furlong 12<sup>th</sup>  
Sinead McDonald 12<sup>th</sup> & son Aaron 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Celine Ennis 21<sup>st</sup>

### BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Catherine Farren; Eileen Farren

12.30pm

### MONTHS MIND

Mae Hamilton

### ANNIVERSARIES

May Hickey 2<sup>nd</sup>; Jonathan Kinsella 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Catherine Hogan 8<sup>th</sup>; Brendan Hogan 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Annie McCabe 23<sup>rd</sup>; Joseph McCabe 26<sup>th</sup>  
Ronnie Hickey; Ann Rowan  
Ann Darragh Hickey; Olive Hickey

## Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September

9.00am

Celebrant's Intentions

## Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September

9.00am

Patricia Carter 26<sup>th</sup> Anniv also remembering husband Jimmy Recently Deceased

## Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September

9.00am

Celebrant's Intentions

## Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September

9.00am

Celebrant's Intentions

## Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September

9.00am

Joe O'Reilly 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv

*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

Sarah (Sally) Lyons, Fr. Kitt Court  
Christine Lyons, Stanaway Road  
William Byrne, John McCormack Avenue

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



## Last Weekends Collections

1st Collection € 2,036

Share Collection: € 1,557

Family Offering: € 945

*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)*

## The Week Ahead...

Sunday 14th Sept - Saturday 20th Sept 2025

Sunday	The Exaltation of the Cross
Monday	Our Lady of Sorrows
Tuesday	Ss Cornelius & Cyprian
Wednesday	St Robert Bellarmine; St Hildegard of Bingen
Thursday	Of the Day
Friday	St Januarius
Saturday	Korean Martyrs

## 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.

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



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.

## 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.*



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

## WELCOME TO FATHER PETER

Archbishop Farrell has appointed Fr. Peter to our Parish, his appointment being effective from two weeks ago. On behalf of Fr. Tom, Deacon Jimmy, our Parish Pastoral Council and our Parish Community, I am delighted to welcome Fr. Peter as part of our Parish Team. He will be living in the house vacated by Fr. John Deasy and will be full time in our parish. Many of the Parishes in the Dublin Diocese are now staffed by priests and religious from many different parts of the world. We would be lost without their presence and availability from their home Dioceses. Fr. Peter has a friend from his home village in China, Fr. Anthony, working in St. Andrew's Church, Westland Row, so I'm glad they will be a support to one another. Fr. Peter's mother, sister and brother are part of the Catholic Community of about 20,000 in his home Diocese in China. He previously was in charge of a Parish with 400 families before arriving in Crumlin. We'll keep all of them in our prayers. The following is a short piece by Fr. Peter himself:

*My Chinese name is Ninghua Hou. My Baptism name is Peter. I come from central part of China. I come from the Diocese of Fengxiang and was consecrated as a priest on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2002. I am delighted to serve in this parish and hope to continuously deepen my understanding and knowledge of this ancient Catholic country. May we uphold our unwavering faith in God in all circumstances, live out our faith, and ultimately reap the fruit of our faith, which is the day we reunite with God in heaven.*

### MARRIAGE JUBILEES

It is coming to that time of the year again when we invite couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries, Silver, Ruby, Golden or Diamond to come with their families to the **12.30pm Mass on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September.**

We will join with you in marking the occasion. The anniversary itself may be months away, or has already been earlier in the year, but it is good to add a spiritual dimension to your celebrations this year.

**PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR NAMES TO THE SACRISTY OR PARISH OFFICE 01 4555368**

### St. Agnes Toddler Group

St. Agnes parish toddler group returned to the parish centre on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September from 10am to 12pm. Anyone living in the parish with children up to the age of 3 years old are welcome to attend. We charge €5 per session which includes snacks for the children.

We are also looking for volunteers to help out, this involves setting up and clearing away toys, washing cups, plates etc.

### CROSSCARE

Crosscare works with those most in need in our communities: families with children and individuals trapped in homeless services. They work with young people finding their way at a critical time in their lives, when widespread drug use and often criminality threaten to entrap them. Increasingly, Crosscare support hundreds of migrants and asylum seekers who have come here fleeing conflict or to make a better life for themselves. Demand for all these critical services continues to increase in our society, and Crosscare relies on your generosity to reach as many people as possible who need help.

**This years Crosscare collection takes place next weekend 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> September at all Masses in place of the usual Share collection.**



### *New Pilgrim Path - Website of the Week: Morning & Evening Prayer*

"The question was not 'can you get the people to church, but can you get church to the people?'" The Liturgy of the Hours (also known as the Divine Office, or the Daily Office) is an immensely rich prayer resource. The practice of sanctifying the day with seven periods of fixed prayer at regular intervals is of great antiquity.

For those leading busy lives, the Mission of St. Clare is an ecumenical website offering Morning and Evening Prayer using the order set out in The Book of Common Prayer. The music is carefully chosen to make the website experience as close to going to a physical church as possible. To access this exceptional prayer resource, visit: : [www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).



## Sunday's Liturgy of the Word

### FIRST READING Num 21:4-9

#### A reading from the book of Numbers

On the way through the wilderness the people lost patience. They spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt to die in this wilderness? For there is neither bread nor water here; we are sick of this unsatisfying food.' At this God sent fiery serpents among the people; their bite brought death to many in Israel. The people came and said to Moses, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you. Intercede for us with the Lord to save us from these serpents.' Moses interceded for the people, and the Lord answered him, 'Make a fiery serpent and put it on a standard. If anyone is bitten and looks at it, he shall live.' So Moses fashioned a bronze serpent which he put on a standard, and if anyone was bitten by a serpent, he looked at the bronze serpent and lived.

The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 77

**(R) Never forget the deeds of the Lord**

1. Give heed, my people, to my teaching; turn your ear to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable and reveal hidden lessons of the past. **(R)**

2. When he slew them then they would seek him, return and seek him in earnest. They would remember that God was their rock, God the Most High their redeemer. **(R)**

3. But the words they spoke were mere flattery; they lied to him with their lips. For their hearts were not truly with him; they were not faithful to his covenant. **(R)**

4. Yet he who is full of compassion forgave them their sin and spared them. So often he held back his anger when he might have stirred up his rage. **(R)**

### SECOND READING Philippians 2:6-11

#### A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

**We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you; because by your cross you have redeemed the world.**

Alleluia, alleluia!

### GOSPEL Jn. 3:13-17

Priest: The Lord be with you

**People: And with your Spirit**

Priest: **A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

**People: Glory to you O Lord.**

Jesus said to Nicodemus: 'No one has gone up to heaven except the one who came down from heaven, the Son of Man who is in heaven; and the Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST AND OF THE WORD OF GOD

Thanks to parishioners who are involved in these Ministry Groups in our Church. Thanks to Gerry and Veronica for organising the respective rosters for each month. If you cannot attend the Mass you are rostered for, will you kindly arrange for another person to take your place, if at all possible. If you notice that we are short of A Minister of the Eucharist, please do not hesitate to come forward, especially at the weekend masses. Ministers of the Word (Readers) - please ensure to get a copy of the Readings and Prayers of the Faithful before the mass you are scheduled to read at. Sincere thanks to all of you for your co-operation.



*Fr. Tony.*



**GARDA CLINIC** The Community Guards from Crumlin Garda station are introducing a Garda Clinic in the Parish Centre. If you would like to speak to a Garda in private, or get forms signed/stamped etc. please call into the Parish Centre on Tuesday from 11.00am to 12.00 noon. It is hoped to have this clinic ongoing every Tuesday morning.



## TheWay.ie

**"The Way"** is a digital, multimedia platform set up by the Irish Bishops Conference dedicated to sharing the Good News and the witness of the Catholic Church in Ireland. This platform is intended to help people know **"THE WAY"** – to discover the Christian faith, live the faith and to pass on the gift of faith to others. It is for both seekers and followers of Christ. Together, we are led by Christ to be pilgrims of hope. Have a browse through this new media platform for the benefit of deepening your faith and prayer.