

# St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

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14th December 2025, 3rd Sunday of Advent 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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## 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

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. Indeed, the  
Lord is near" - Philippians 4:4

## GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

Just a note to say thank you to all the good people of the Parish who  
sent me messages to acknowledge my passage to an important date  
in my life - my 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday which took place at the end of  
November.

I still keep an eye on the parish through the newsletter. My next  
important one will be when I reach my 100<sup>th</sup>?

I enjoyed my time in St. Agnes Parish and have many happy  
memories.

This is a note of appreciation for your kindness to me  
in the 25 years I spent in the parish.

Keep me in your prayers as I still do for you.

*Fr. John Deasy*



## Sing for Simon in St. Agnes Church, Crumlin

St. Agnes CCMA Orchestras, and Community Choir will perform  
Christmas Carols, music and holiday favourites in St. Agnes Church  
on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm. Admission is free.  
Donations to Dublin Simon at the door and at [www.dubsimon.ie](http://www.dubsimon.ie)  
All are welcome.

## St. Vincent de Paul Collection

Sincere thanks to all who contributed to last weekend's indoor  
collection for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The total amount  
collected so far is €9,285. The society is very appreciative for this  
generous response which will enable them to help many families and  
individuals in our parish community. God bless you for your kindness.

## Charity/Poor Box Donations

Cheques totalling €1,800 were given to the following charities: Alice  
Leahy Trust, ALONE, Friends of the Elderly, Crosscare, Barretstown  
Children's Fund and St. Vincent de Paul, all out of your donations to  
the charity/poor box. These charities are grateful for ongoing support,  
especially at this time of the year. The donation box is on the wall at  
the back of the Church as you enter to the left. Thank you again for  
your donations.

# MASS INTENTIONS

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

### 5.30pm MONTHS MIND

Rio Barrett

### ANNIVERSARIES

Kay O'Leary 1<sup>st</sup>; Robert Donovan 1<sup>st</sup> also rem his mother Sadie; Liam Keehan 3<sup>rd</sup> also grandson Dean Byrne 2<sup>nd</sup>; Gary Finlay 3<sup>rd</sup> Eamonn Dillon 5<sup>th</sup>; Ellen Jewell 6<sup>th</sup> Gerry Dunne 7<sup>th</sup> also Birthday Remembrance Denis Kavanagh 11<sup>th</sup>; Teresa Cox 14<sup>th</sup> Margaret O'Byrne 19<sup>th</sup>; Jack & Agnes Butler and deceased of Butler family Myles and Julia O'Dowd; Stephen and Patricia Cowzer

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

### 9.30am ANNIVERSARIES

Kay O'Leary 1<sup>st</sup>; Eileen Byrne 11<sup>th</sup> William Byrne 14<sup>th</sup>; James & Mary Lawlor & their sons James and Paul; Josephine Deegan  
*Remembering all those enrolled in our Book of Remembrance*

### 11.00am ANNIVERSARIES

Anne Ashton 2<sup>nd</sup>; Liam Buckley 3<sup>rd</sup> Eileen Byrne 10<sup>th</sup> also husband Paddy 25<sup>th</sup> Eamon Walsh; Michael and Margaret McArdle Aileen & Vincent Gough and Junior Gough

### 12.30pm MONTHS MIND

Cecelia Flood

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Fran Lacey

### ANNIVERSARIES

Brendan Jordan 1<sup>st</sup>; Margaret Clarke 4<sup>th</sup> Catherine Kinsella nee Cully 4<sup>th</sup> Seamus Kavanagh 10<sup>th</sup> also wife Josephine 7<sup>th</sup> Oliver and Irene O'Rourke; Maureen Stokes James Stokes; Mary and Jim Kelly Deceased of Stokes family; Bridie Behan Anthony Behan; Carol Behan

### BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Dorothy Rafter; Rita Cunningham Christina Mulvey 93rd

### CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

Anne O'Neill; Anne McNamara Catherine Ward; Yvonne Ryan

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

9.00am Mary Quinn, 86th Anniv

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

9.00am Noel Kelliher Birthday Rem; Noel & Brendan Kelliher Christmas Remembrance

7.00pm James & Veronica McEvoy

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

9.00am Tom and Mary Shaw & deceased members of the Shaw family. Mike, Jane & Molly Malone & deceased of the Malone family

# MASS INTENTIONS Contd.

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

9.00am Mary Healy 2<sup>nd</sup>; Imelda Cullen Anniversary Gerty & James Brannigan Anniv

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

9.00am Celebrant's Intentions

## Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December

9.00am Karl Hartfiel 14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

*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



Norma Fitzsimons, Beechfield Road  
Brigid Kelly, Fr. Kitt Court  
Noel Scully, Crotty Avenue  
Terence O'Brien, Rafters Avenue  
Richard Williams, Dowland Road  
Fr. Jim Fingleton, priest of the Dublin diocese  
Sr. Mary Keogh, Columban Sister

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

## Last Weekends Collections

1st Collection € 2,005

St Vincent De Paul: € 9,285

Family Offering: € 615

*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)*

## Padre Pio Prayer Group (St Pio)

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 16th December. Rosary 6.45pm Mass 7.00pm followed by Benediction & General Blessing.

**All Welcome.**



**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**

**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.**

# ST AGNES' PARISH CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS 2025



## Confessions Times:

Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd December from 9.30am to 10.00am

Wednesday 24th December from 9.30am to 10.00am and 12.00noon to 2.00pm

## Masses for Christmas:

**Christmas Eve:**

Vigil Masses at 5.30pm & Mass with blessing of the Crib at 7.00pm

**Christmas Day:**

9.30am, 11.00am & 12.30pm

**St. Stephen's Day:**

9.00am only. The Church closes after Mass

## Weekend Masses (Sat 27th / Sun 28th December):

**Saturday 27th:**

9.00am and Vigil Mass 5.30pm

**Sunday 28th:**

9.30am, 11.00am & 12.30pm

**Mon 29th; Tues 30th and Wed 31st:** Mass at 9.00am Church closes at 2.00pm each day

**Thurs 1st/Fri 2nd Jan:**

Mass at 9.00am, Church Closes immediately after Mass

## Weekend Masses (Sat 3rd / Sun 4th January):

Masses as Normal

## Feast of the Epiphany

**Tuesday 6th January 2026:**

9.00am & 10.00am



## CHRISTMAS DUES

Envelopes are available at all the Church exits. Christmas dues help to support the Priests of the parish, and the Diocese including sick and retired priests. They are an important source of income for the Clergy. **For those who have the box of family offering envelopes, your Christmas dues envelope is in the box.** We thank you most sincerely for your generosity in previous years

**Christmas Timetable – Christmas timetable cards and St. Agnes Calendars 2025 are available in the porchways of the Church if you wish to take one. We invite you to join with us for our celebrations**

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



## Walk with me for Advent 2025

Walk with me – a journey of prayer for Advent 2025, thoughts and reflections for the season leading up to Christmas and the new year, now available in the Repository and the Parish Office - price €2 each.

## LORCAN O'TOOLE CHRISTMAS CARDS

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

## Advent Pilgrimage Continues

Come and join us as we journey through the four weeks of Advent for Prayer, Scripture & Reflection With the Advent Prayer Group and Fr. Peter.



**Venue:** St. Agnes Parish Centre

**Time:** 7.30pm - 8.15pm each Thursday evening for 4 weeks commencing on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November until Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

## St. Agnes Church Mass Cards

The intention of Donor will be remembered in all Masses on Christmas Day. Available in the Parish Office and Repository for €5 per pack of 10 cards.

## HAVE YOUR SAY

The Department of Education and Youth has launched its "Have Your Say" survey, inviting parents, guardians, school staff, and Board of Management members, to share their views on the future of their parish school and for the education to be provided to the children of the parish.

This is an opportunity to express **your** wishes about key questions such as:

- ◆ Denominational or multi-denominational patronage
- ◆ English- or Irish-medium education
- ◆ Co-educational or single-sex schooling

The survey is very short and is available online at <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/>

## Sunday's Liturgy of the Word

**FIRST READING Is. 35:1-6.10**

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah.**

Let the wilderness and the dry-lands exult, let the wasteland rejoice and bloom, let it bring forth flowers like the jonquil, let it rejoice and sing for joy. The glory of Lebanon is bestowed on it the splendour of Carmel and Sharon; they shall see the glory of the Lord, the splendour of our God. Strengthen all weary hands, steady all trembling knees and say to all faint hearts, "Courage! Do not be afraid. Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy. Those the Lord has ransomed shall return; they will come to Zion shouting for joy, everlasting joy on their faces; joy and gladness will go with them and sorrow and lament be ended.

The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Ps 145: 6-10 .R/cf. Is 35: 4**

**(R) Come, Lord, and save us;**

1. It is he who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. (R)
2. The Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down, the Lord, who protects the stranger and upholds the widow and orphan. (R)

3. It is the Lord who loves the just but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. (R)

**SECOND READING St. Jas 5: 7-10**

**A reading from the letter of St. James.**

Be patient, brothers, until the Lord's coming. Think of a farmer; how patiently he waits for the precious fruit of the ground until it has had the autumn rains and the spring rains! You too have to be patient; do not lose heart, because the Lord's coming will be soon. Do not make complaints against one another, brothers, so as not to be brought to judgement yourselves; the Judge is already to be seen waiting at the gates. For your example, brothers, in submitting with patience, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

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**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Lk. 4:18**

**Alleluia, alleluia! The spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL Matt. 11: 2-11**

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.**

John in his prison had heard what Christ was doing and he sent his disciples to ask

him, "Are you the one who is to come, or have we got to wait for someone else?" Jesus answered, "Go back and tell John what you hear and see; the blind see again, and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised to life and the Good News is proclaimed to the poor; and happy is the man who does not lose faith in me." As the messengers were leaving, Jesus began to talk to the people about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed swaying in the breeze? No? Then what did you go out to see? A man wearing fine clothes? Oh no, those who wear fine clothes are to be found in palaces. Then what did you go out for? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you and much more than a prophet; he is the one of whom scripture says: he will prepare your way before you. "I tell you solemnly, of all the children born of women, a greater than John the Baptist has never been seen; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he is." The Gospel of the Lord.

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



## WORDSEARCH (Courtesy of Salford Diocese)

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**Church Art Calendars 2025 are available in the Repository and the Parish Office, price €1.50 each**

**Christmas Mass Bouquets**  
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