

St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter



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20th September 2026, Twenty Fifth 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
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

*"You will face many defeats in life, but never let yourself be
defeated." - Maya Angelou*

REFLECTION – 19th/20th SEPTEMBER, 2026

These Sundays the Gospels are very challenging for us. We are invited to reflect on the way we treat one another, what is the level of kindness or compassion I show to others, what is the quality of my Christ-like response to those in need, who struggle, to those who cry out for mercy, forgiveness and compassion in their efforts to rebuild their lives. As Christians, as followers of Christ, we should always look to Jesus Christ as our role and guide. Frederick William Faber, 1814-1863, wrote many hymns and poems. He wrote the following: *"There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness in the sea: there's a kindness in his justice which is more than liberty There's a welcome for the sinner and more graces for the good, for the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind."*

These words encapsulate the gospel messages of these Sundays. God is the Eternal forgiver, the Eternal giver of mercy, compassion and understanding. He is the God of surprises. We often hear it said that *"to err is human, to forgive is divine."* There is truth in these words.

We seek God's mercy and forgiveness at the beginning of every Mass but we also seek the forgiveness of one another. *"I confess to Almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters..."* And we seek the blessing of the Angels and Saints, of God and his Blessed Mother and of one another in seeking to make amends where necessary, to bring healing and reconciliation into our broken relationships. We can deeply offend, wound and hurt one another, deliberately or unintentionally. We can be filled with rage, anger, resentment and hatred for a long time but we all know that when we harbour our grudges and hurts we can allow a poison to take root in our hearts. It is not easy to forgive sometimes, it's not easy to show mercy. These may take a long, long time, perhaps a lifetime.

Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman said, *"Here below, to live is to change and to be perfect is to have changed often..."* Yes, renewal and peace come only with effort. We may need to engage in daily acts of mercy and forgiveness before we mend the fractured relationships in our lives. In the everyday living of our lives, we are called to keep Christ and his Gospel before us. God is generous to us, rich in mercy and slow to anger, as the psalmist tells us. We too, gathered as the Body of Christ, must always express to others, with God's grace, the generous mercy and kindness He continually gives to us in Christ Jesus.

Fr. Tony.

CADARA - The Wednesday night Sing Along continues on Wednesdays in St. Agnes parish centre at 7.30pm. For anyone who enjoys listening to music, singing or can play an instrument, all are welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 19th September

- 5.30pm** **MONTHS MIND**
Rosanna Warfield
- ANNIVERSARIES**
John Rawlins 5th; Noel Rawlins 6th
Billy and Annie Byrne; Annie Power
- BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE**
Leon O'Keeffe

Sunday 20th September

- 9.30am** **ANNIVERSARIES**
Kieran Delaney 7th
Joseph Quinn 9th
- BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE**
Joanna Quinn
Remembering all those enrolled in our Book of Remembrance
- 11.00am** **ANNIVERSARIES**
Deborah Murphy 3rd
Lily (Elizabeth) Dunne 10th
Irene Furlong 13th;
Thomas and Helena Lawlor
Esther Lawlor & daughter Joanne Lawlor
Leo Collins; Mairead and John Canning
- 12.30pm** **RECENTLY DECEASED**
Sarah Clinton
- ANNIVERSARIES**
Catherine Ward 2nd; Maeve Kelly 5th
John and Joan Kearns
Ann & Joseph McCabe

Monday 21st September

- 9.00am** Celebrant's Intentions

Tuesday 22nd September

- 9.00am** Eileen Kelly Birthday Rem

Wednesday 23rd September

- 9.00am** Lily Farrell 90th Birthday Remembrance also rem her sister Angela Farrell

Thursday 24th September

- 9.00am** Mairead & John Canning Anniv

Friday 25th September

- 9.00am** Celebrant's Intentions

Saturday 26th September

- 9.00am** Ann & Martin Brogan internment of ashes today

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



Kathleen Gaynor, Raleigh Square
Christopher (Christy) Drennan, Cashel Rd

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

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

Recent Church Collections

First Collection: € 2,028

Share: € 1,441

Family Offering: € 805

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 20th Sept - Saturday 26th Sept 2026

Sunday	25th Sunday of Ordinary Time—Year A
Monday	St Matthew, Apostle
Tuesday	Of the Day
Wednesday	St Pius of Pietrelcina
Thursday	Of the Day
Friday	St Finbarr
Saturday	Ss Cosmas & Damian

St. Agnes Choir

St. Agnes Choir are recruiting new members. If you are a singer and would like to join the choir, please call up to the gallery any Sunday after the 12.30pm Mass. For further details please contact our Musical Director Dave O'Connor on 087 6260318.



Prayer Corner

"Rock and Refuge, Stronghold of Souls, Unshakeable One, infuse your strength into the places where I feel greatest weakness. Permeate the parts of my life that continually challenge my patience. Increase an ability to accept those who seem to be most difficult. Lessen the tendency in my spirit that gives way to hopelessness. Reinforce my awareness of the daily manifestations of your presence. Boost my spirit when I think I cannot manage what I am called to do. Support my efforts to give the best of myself to others. Sustain in me a solid belief that I can get through what appears to be insurmountable. Strengthen my efforts to be a person who reaches out to those in need. And when worries and anxiety prevail deepen my trust in your presence. Impart the courage I need to do what appears to be challenging. In you, O Lord, I find sufficient strength, abounding love and secure serenity. AMEN."

(Sr. Joyce Rupp, OSM.)

Feast Days this week

Monday 21st September - St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Matthew is also known as Levi in the Gospels of Mark and Luke. Matthew is one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus. As one of the four Gospel writers, Matthew is one of the four Evangelists. Little is known about Saint Matthew, except that he was the son of Alpheus, and he was likely born in Galilee. He worked as a tax collector, which was a hated profession during the time of Christ. According to the Gospel, Matthew was working at a collection booth in Capernaum when Christ came to him and asked, "Follow me." With this simple call, Matthew became a disciple of Christ. From Matthew we know of the many doings of Christ and the message Christ spread of salvation for all people who come to God through Him. His book is the first of the four Gospels in the New Testament.

St. Matthew is the Patron Saint of Accountants, Bankers, Civil Servants and Tax Collectors

Tuesday 23rd September - St. Pio of Pietrelcina

St. Padre Pio was a Capuchin Franciscan friar, priest and mystic. He was known for his charity and piety, as well as his ability to levitate, he is also one of the few stigmatics in the Church.

From a very early age he expressed a strong desire to serve God, he was only 15 when he entered the Capuchin Friars Minor as a novice and was ordained a priest in 1910. He went to the friary at San Giovanni Rotondo in 1916 where he lived for more than 50 years until his death on September 23rd 1968. He received the stigmata on September 20th 1918 while praying in the church. The wounds remained visible on his body for the rest of his life. We have a 1st class relic of St Pio on permanent display within the church. As you go in the main door of the Church it is in the side chapel on the right, beside the picture and prayer of St. Pio.

The Padre Pio monthly Mass and devotions are held every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7.00pm in St. Agnes Church, all are welcome.

PARISH FINANCES

Sincere thanks to Parishioners who contribute to the upkeep of our Church and Parish through your donations to the Family Envelope Fund by the Weekly Envelope, direct debit or by a yearly contribution. The Family Envelope Fund is the only means of financial support for our Church and Parish along with the profit from the shrines and the Repository donations. Over the past few years, moreso since the covid pandemic our Family Envelope Fund has decreased. *If any parishioner would like to be a contributor please call to the Parish Office and our secretary Colette will give you information or speak to myself, Fr. Tony.* I am very grateful to all who contribute by whatever way you choose to do so.

CLARIFICATION: The TAP and GO Machine at the back of the Church is only for the **COMMON FUND** and **SHARE** collections which go directly to Archbishops House. Sincere thanks again for your financial support.

Fr. Tony

ABBEY RUINS

*These ancient ruins where I stand are
An evocation of times past.*

*This landscape of overgrown grass, ivy and ferns
Half broken, arched hallways, scattered stones and
Gothic windows elicit wonderment of heart.*

*The remembrance of sandaled monks, mystics and
pilgrims who once walked here*

Impart a holiness in this place with

The daily ritual of prayers and incense surfacing easily.

*Under these roofless walls a profound silence is felt
Punctuated by the gentle winds and the chatter of birds
in the hanging ivy.*

*Ruins once filled with devotion, presence and sacredness
Become now a sanctuary of stillness in the madness of
life*

*Where fragments of the Divine gently break through
giving harmony to my soul.*

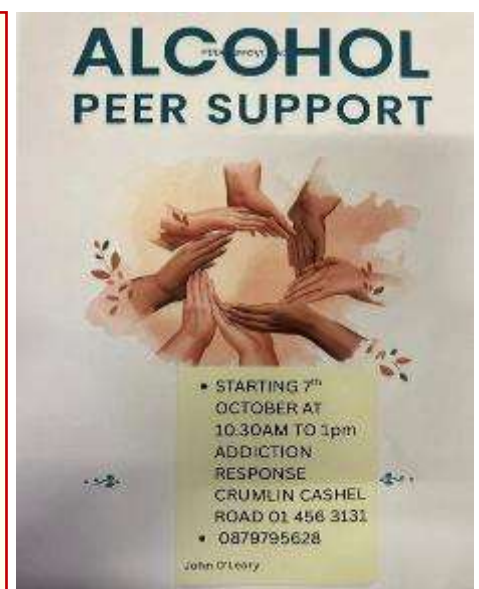
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Crosscare Annual Appeal September 19th/20th Hope and Resilience

This weekend, we welcome the Crosscare Annual Appeal to our parish. Crosscare is the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin, supporting people experiencing homelessness, families facing hardship, young people, older people, migrants and refugees, and many others in our communities.

Crosscare provides accommodation and support to over 600 people experiencing homelessness, helps more than 14,000 people through its Homeless Prevention and Advocacy Service, and engages with 2,400 young people through youth services and community-based projects. Your generosity helps bring hope and strengthen resilience for people facing difficult circumstances.

Thank you for supporting this year's Crosscare Annual Appeal. Donations can also be made online at www.crosscare.ie



Sunday's Liturgy of the Word

ENTRANCE

Amazing grace, oh, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now am found
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

FIRST READING Is. 55:6-9

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,
call to him while he is still near. Let the
wicked man abandon his way, the evil
man his thoughts. Let him turn back to
the Lord who will take pity on him, to our
God who is rich in forgiving; for my
thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways
not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.
Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways, my
thoughts above your thoughts.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 144:2-3.8-9.17-18R.v.18

(R) The Lord is close to all who call him.

1. I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
The Lord is great, highly to be praised,
his greatness cannot be measured. (R)
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. (R)
3. The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts. (R)

SECOND READING Phil. 1:20-24.27

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

Christ will be glorified in my body,

whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma; I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake. Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Lk. 19:38

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt. 20: 1-16

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.

Jesus said to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, 'You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage.' So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, 'Why have you been standing here idle all day?' 'Because no one has hired us' they answered. He said to them, 'You go into my vineyard too.' In

the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first.' So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. The men who came last they said 'have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat.' He answered one of them and said, 'My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous? Thus the last will be first, and the first last.' The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

RECESSIONAL

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,
Christ be behind me, King of my heart.
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,
Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising, light of my heart.

Legion of Mary The Relics of St. Thérèse of Lisieux and S.S. Louis and Zélie Martin will be welcomed to Legion of Mary, De Montfort House, Morning Star Avenue, Dublin 7, D07VA03 on Friday 2nd October at 1pm - Procession and Reception of the relics by His Grace Most Reverend Dermot Farrell, Archbishop of Dublin. There will be Holy Mass at 3.30pm. They will be available for public veneration until Saturday 3rd October at 5pm when a closing mass will be celebrated by Bishop Paul Dempsey. All are welcome.

Hospice Coffee Morning

A coffee morning in aid of Our Lady's Hospice and Care Services will be held in St. Agnes Parish Centre on **Tuesday 22nd September from 9.30am to 12 noon.**

All are welcome.



St Agnes Parent and Toddler Group

The St. Agnes parents and toddler group is open every Thursday morning from 10-12 for children up to the age of 3. We have availability for new members at a cost of 5 euro per session. We are also looking for volunteers who can help us each week.

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