

St Agnes Parish Weekly Newsletter

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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.

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 type 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

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

*For prayer is nothing else than being on terms of friendship with
God." - Saint Teresa of Avila*

REFLECTION – 10TH / 11TH OCTOBER, 2026

Autumn is with us now and the changing landscape is unavoidable. The trees will soon fill with a myriad of colours, gold, crimson, warm orange, yellow, russet and deep burgundy. Gradually the shrubbery and trees shed their summer robes to reveal their hidden beauty. Every shedding leaf, dancing inimitably to the ground is an elegant invitation to embrace our own changes and need for transformations. This threshold from Summer glory to Autumn splendour is an inner calling to our soul and spirit.

When we observe the transition from fullness to the emptiness of nature's landscape, the letting go is not an act of defeat but a necessary, beautiful clearing of the way for something new and refreshing and delightful. The trees and shrubs do not cling to the fading leaves but give them the freedom to drift downward, trusting the cycle that promises renewal and new life. *Isn't there a profound blessing in the softening of the landscape, a spiritual awakening to our own human fragility and mortality?* When we witness this change and pay attention we are touched at the depth of our being. A calling is revealed to us – there is a God-given grace in stripping away all that is negative and inhuman within us, all that is not of God, all that dehumanises and destroys our humanity and dignity as God's creation, made in his image and likeness. *We must, on a daily basis ensure we are living in God's expectation of us.* The season of Autumn is full of invitations.

The fallen leaves gradually provide rich nutrients to anchor new life and new growth, all happening quietly and often unnoticed. In the cool bite of the morning air and the shortening of days we realise something is different. Something sacred is happening beneath the surface. In the mystery of autumn decay lies the promise of springtime. To accept the challenge of autumn is to step into the unknown of the landscape of our hearts and acknowledge the areas we need to change. As every fallen leaf prepares the ground for a quiet, unimaginable rebirth, so too the *"letting go"* of all negativity in our hearts allows for God's life to take root more deeply. Autumn paints nature in a tapestry of gold and crimson, reminding us that even endings can be beautiful. With God in us, all change and newness of our own lives is also beautiful. *LET AUTUMN IN ITS UNFOLDING SPEAK TO US.*

*"Autumn shows how beautiful it is to let things go so that new life emerges.
Letting go is how we make room for something new." (Anon.)*

Fr. Tony

Hospice Coffee Morning - Sincere thanks to all who organised, attended and donated to the Hospice Coffee morning. €1,200 was raised which has been sent to the Our Lady's Hospice & Care Services

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 10th October

5.30pm

ANNIVERSARIES

Paul Soultter 1st; Glenn King 2nd
Thomas McCarthy 2nd ; Shay Swift 4th
Sally Ward 6th; Francis Flood 9th
Noeleen Campbell 16th
Margaret Conroy Anniv
Shay and Paul Carroll ; John and Ellen Carroll
Deceased of Swift & Bowden families

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Frances Somay; Kathleen Kelly

Sunday 11th October

9.30am

*Remembering all those enrolled in our
Book of Remembrance*

11.00am

ANNIVERSARIES

Myra Kielty 1st ; Edward Eaton 5th and
deceased of the Eaton family
George B Tully 24th; Mary Byrne and her grand
daughter Miriam 47th
Brigid Dolan, Fiona Reddington

12.30pm

ANNIVERSARIES

Eileen Kearney 1st also remembering her
husband Jack ; Derek Wickham 16th
Anne Kearns ; John and Joan Kearns
Moira Houlihan also Birthday Rem.

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

Teresa O'Neill
Thomas Mulvaney

Monday 12th October

9.00am

Richard Comerford Anniv

Tuesday 13th October

9.00am

Larry Morris Birthday Rem

Wednesday 14th October

9.00am

Intentions of the Killoran, Comerford and
McGrane families

Thursday 15th October

9.00am

Celebrant's Intentions

Friday 16th October

9.00am

Pauline Comerford Anniversary, Special
Intention

Saturday 17th October

9.00am

Mary Ward 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



Phyllis Ryan, Raphoe Rd

Jacqueline (Jackie) Daly, Windmill Pk

Louise Teggart, Derry Dr.

David McCann, O'Brien Rd

Bridget (Bridie) Watts, Crumlin.

Thomas Davis, Crumlin.

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

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

Recent Church Collections

First Collection: € 2,162

Share: € 1,323

Family Offering: € 1,230

*Many thanks for your continued support and generosity. We
wish to thank all who have given donations online 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 11th Oct – Saturday 17th October 2026

Sunday	28 th Sunday of Ord Time Year A
Monday	Of the Day
Tuesday	Of the Day
Wednesday	St Callistus I
Thursday	St Teresa of Avila
Friday	St Gall, St Margaret Mary Alacoque
Saturday	St Ignatius of Antioch

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.



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**

Feast Days this week

Monday 12th October St Carlo Acutis

Carlo Acutis was an Italian Catholic teenager known for his devotion to the Eucharist and his use of digital media to promote Catholic devotion. He helped inspire several people to convert to Catholicism. Known as "God's influencer", he used his self-taught computer skills to build a website that catalogued Eucharistic miracles from around the world before dying of leukaemia in 2006 at age 15. His heavy involvement in web design, coding, and IT made him a modern symbol and protector for tech professionals and coders. As the first millennial saint, canonized in September 2025, his teenage life—wearing jeans and sneakers, playing video games, and playing soccer—makes him deeply relatable to young Catholics. He is the patron saint of Youth, The Internet and Computer Programmers.

Friday 16th October St Margaret Mary Alacoque

St Margaret Mary received three private revelations about the Sacred Heart that would be the origin of the devotion to the Sacred Heart. Christ asked for a special feast to be established in honour of His Heart. She is the patron saint of devotees to the Sacred Heart and those who have lost a parent while young. She is invoked against polio and rheumatic fever.

Divine Mercy – There will be no Divine Mercy on Wednesday 21st October due to Church Maintenance.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION EVENING

All Parishes in the Diocese are obligated to keep Parishioners informed about all procedures and policies around SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS. In this respect it is vital that all Parishioners involved in Parish activities, groups and roles of responsibility of any kind are kept informed and made aware of new Diocesan documents and procedures about SAFEGUARDING at every level. Garry Keogh from the Diocesan Office for Child Safeguarding will facilitate a meeting for all relevant Parishioners who are involved in our Parish on THURSDAY 29th OCTOBER, in our Parish Centre, beginning at 7.00pm. The Partnership Parishes of Walkinstown, Mourne Road and Clogher Road will also be attending this seminar. I urge and encourage all relevant Parishioners to attend this meeting. Thank you.
Fr. Tony

CLARIFICATION

Recently some parishioners asked about the **TAP and GO FACILITY** at the back of the Church. These were installed after the covid pandemic to help build up the funds again for the two collections at Masses every weekend and for those who do not carry money with them. Thanks to all who make contributions to these collections: **THE COMMON FUND (1st Collection)** is only for the salary of the priests of the Diocese, retired and sick priests, of which there are many: the **SHARE COLLECTION, (2nd Collection)** is only for the support of the poorer parishes and for the support of Pastoral Initiatives across the Dublin Diocese. **The only funds for the upkeep of the Parish comes from THE FAMILY ENVELOPE FUND** or from those who contribute by direct debit or who make an annual contribution. The profits from **THE SHRINES** also helps our financial funds. **IF ANY PARISHIONER WISHES TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION FOR THE UPKEEP OF OUR CHURCH AND PARISH, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH MYSELF, Fr. Tony or Colette or Bernadette at the Parish Office.**

READERS AND MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

If you are unable to attend the mass you are rostered for, please try to find another member to stand in for you. It is important that we have sufficient Ministers of the Eucharist and our Reader(s) attend the mass you are rostered for. Thank you for your co-operation at all times. **Fr. Tony.**

IMPORTANT FORTHCOMING MEETINGS.

- **MEETING FOR ALL READERS**, weekday and weekends: **THURSDAY 22nd OCTOBER**: 6.30pm in the Church.
- **SAFEGUARDING MEETING FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS**: **THURSDAY, 29th OCTOBER** in the Parish Centre – facilitated by Garry Kehoe from the Dublin Diocese Safeguarding Office. This meeting is essential for all volunteers in any capacity in our Parish and we will be joined by volunteers from the Partnership Parishes of Mourne Road, Clogher road and Walkinstown.

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 per session. We are also looking for volunteers who can help us each week.

Teddy Bear Concert

St. Agnes CCMA are holding a Teddy Bear Concert in St. Agnes Parish Centre on Sunday 18th October at 4.00pm. Children and Adults are free accompanied by a Teddy Bear! Dress up and come along and have fun with the Orchestra!

Sunday's Liturgy of the Word

ENTRANCE HYMN

The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His,
And He is mine forever.

2. Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul He leadeth,
And, where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth

FIRST READING Is. 25:6-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy death for ever. The Lord God will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation. The Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain. The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps.22.R.v.6

(R) In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. (R)
2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your
staff; with these you give me comfort. (R)

3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. (R)

4 Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever (R)

SECOND READING Phil. 4:12-14.19-20

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

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere; full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen. The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn. 1:12-14

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt. 22:1-14

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 the chief priests and the elders of the people: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king, who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants, 'Tell those who have been invited' he said 'that I have my banquet all prepared; my

oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding.' But they were not interested; one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding.' So these servants went out on the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, 'How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?' And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Christ, Be Our Light

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.

Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.

Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has power to save us. Make us your living voice.
Christ be our light.....

MISSION SUNDAY

The month of October is dedicated to remembering the work of our Missionaries who work in many parts of our world. We are proud of the religious sisters, brothers and Priests of Missionary Orders founded in Ireland and the legacy they leave behind them, including the *Columban Missionary Sisters, the Salesians, the Franciscan Missionaries of St. Joseph*, all who reside in our Parish. Throughout all Parishes next weekend, 17th/18th October, we have the Annual Mission Collection. This collection will go towards helping our Missionaries to run their schools, hospitals, medical centres, parish churches and their centres. It will also allow our Missionaries to allocate money for the education of women and men, giving them the opportunities to improve their lives and that of their families. **Please remember the MISSION COLLECTION coming to Mass next weekend. Have a look at www.missio.ie for more information.**