



ST AGNES' PARISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Priests of the Parish

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Family Offering: €2,045

Share: €2,662

Many thanks for your continued
support and generosity

Recently Deceased

Adrienne Talbot, Clonard Rd.

Martin Kennedy, Percy French Rd.

We express our deepest sympathies to
Their families at this time.

May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 5th January 2008

7:00pm Shared Mass

Sunday 6th January 2008

9:00am Peter Rahill, Michael &
Kate Harrington {A}

10:00am John McGoldrick {2nd A}

11:00am Kathleen Nolan {A}

12:00pm Eileen Murphy {A.}

1:00pm Mary Webb & Son
Christopher {A.}

7:00pm Mary & Dinny Dunne {A}

Please Pray for: John Durcan

May their Souls and the Souls of all the
Faithful Departed Rest In Peace. Amen

St Agnes Parish Readers Roster

Saturday 12 / 01 / 08

7.00pm Sarah Byrne

Sunday 13 / 01 / 08

9.00am John Green

10.00am Family Mass

11.00am F. & M. Healy

12.00pm Sean Byrne

1.00pm June Winders

7.00pm William Elliott

Spare Copies of Prayers of the Faithful
are available in the Sacristy. If you
cannot make your reading, please
contact John Green or the Sacristy

Christmas Dues

May we remind you about your
Christmas dues. Envelopes were
distributed to all homes in the Parish
before Christmas and spares are
available at the exit doors in St Agnes'
Church. Please return your dues to the
Parish Office, the Sacristy or the
Family Offering Box at the rear of the
Church.

Thought for the Week

"If you are too busy to pray, then you are too busy" Anon

Another New Year.

Be thankful—I hope the past year has been good to you and your family. It is unlikely that you won the Lotto. The values that are important for you I'm sure are health and happiness. I hope you had an abundance of them.

Beginning a New Year is approaching the unknown. Perhaps you have exciting plans for 2008 and I hope that they come to fulfilment. Strangely, I was looking in my own Diary for the start of 2007 and found a short list of things to do in that year and I am happy to report that these aspirations and resolutions were realised

May I suggest some possibilities for year ahead

- ◆ Pray a little more—see the thought for the week at the top of the page
- ◆ Smile more often—they say if you smile, the world will smile with you. A sad saint is a sad sight. Try and take life less seriously.
- ◆ Take time to be with people. A kind word and thoughtful gestures are more important than expensive gifts. Have more time for family and be more supportive of others.
- ◆ Say thanks. I feel we do not thank people enough or appease them in their lives-it is easier to complain.

May I conclude by saying many thanks for all your kindness and support during the last year. We do appreciate all your help and comments to us as priests in St. Agnes Parish. We are blessed in having such good parishioners.

Fr. John PP

Shared Mass.

Last Autumn we introduced this Mass at the Saturday Vigil Mass. We found it very difficult to meet all the requests for individual Mass intentions and so the system is meeting a need and you can book up to Friday lunch time on the day before the Saturday Vigil, at the Parish Office.

Would You like to Write for the Parish Newsletter?

I would like to thank Sr. Margaret for taking on the role of Editor during December. Writing or sourcing the Main Article is a weekly chore for your editor. There are deadlines to meet each week. If you would like to contribute a Topical article of 200 to 300 words which might interest our parishioners please forward same to the editor at the Parish Office. Thanking you in anticipation.

Greetings for 2008.

As this is the first edition of our Newsletter for 2008, may I thank all the members of the Newsletter and Parish Website teams for their good work and on behalf of my fellow priests and members of the Parish Pastoral Council wish you all health, happiness and every Blessing to you and your families for the year ahead.

Fr. John P.P.

Our Grateful Thanks.

To Carmel from all at Lorcan O'Toole Day Centre for the countless boxes of Christmas Cards which she sold at the back of the church!



CHRISTMAS CAROLS



Please Join with us in Singing Our Carols this Christmas and New Year

1. Adeste Fideles

1. Adeste fideles, laeti triumphantes, Venite, venite in Bethlehem. Natum videte, regem angelorum, Venite adoremus, venete adoremus, venete adoremus dominum.

2. Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine, Gestant puellae viscera. Deum verum, genitum non factum, Venite adoremus, venete adoremus, venete adoremus dominum.

2. Away in a Manger

1. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head, the stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.

2. The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes, I love thee Lord Jesus look down from the sky, And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

3. Be near me Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay close by me forever and love me I pray. Bless all the dear children in thy tender care and fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

3. While Shepherds Watched

1. While shepherds watched their flocks by night, all seated on the ground, the angel of the Lord came down, and glory shone around

2. "Fear not", said he, for mighty dread, Had seized their troubled mind. "Glad tidings of great joy I bring to you and all mankind"

3. "All glory be to God on high, and on the earth be peace; Good will henceforth from heaven to men, begin and never cease.

4. Once in Royal David's City.

1. Once in royal David's city Stood a lowly cattle shed, Where a mother laid her baby In a manger for his bed; Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

2. He came down to earth from heaven, Who is God and Lord of all, And his shelter was a stable, And his cradle was a stall; With the poor, and mean, and lowly, Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

5. Silent Night

1. Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright round yon virgin, mother and child; Holy infant so tender and mild, sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

2. Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight, glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing alleluia; Christ the Saviour is born, Christ the Saviour is born.

3. Silent night, holy night, Son of God, loves pure light, Radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord at thy birth, Jesus Lord at thy birth.

6. Angels we have heard on high

1. Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains, and the mountains in reply echo still their joyous strains

Refrain: Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

2. Shepherds why this jubilee? Why your rapturous strain prolong? Say what may your tidings be, which inspire your heavenly song. **Refrain**

3. Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose birth the angels sing; come, adore on bended knee, Christ our Lord the new born king. **Refrain**

4. See within a manger laid, Jesus, Lord of Heaven and earth. Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, while our hearts in love we raise. **Refrain**

7. The First Nowell

1. The first Nowell the angel did say, was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; in fields where they lay keeping their sheep, On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain: Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Born is the King of Israel!

2. They looked up and saw a star, shining in the east, beyond them far, and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night. **Refrain.**

8. O come all ye faithful

1. O come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; Come and behold Him born the King of Angels.

Refrain: O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

2. Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above, Glory to God in the highest. **Refrain.**

3. Now Lord, we greet you, born this happy morning, Jesus to you be glory given, word of the Father now in flesh appearing. **Refrain.**

9. Hark the Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark the herald angels sing, glory to the new born king, peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled; Joyful all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies, with angelic hosts proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem.

Refrain: Hark the herald angels sing, Glory to the new born King.

2. Christ by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord, late in time behold him come, offspring of the Virgin's womb; veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail the incarnate deity, pleased as man with man to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel. **Refrain.**

Lourdes 2008.

St. Agnes' Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes

6th July - 11th July 2008

Price €675 pps staying at Jeanne D'Arc Hotel and Includes Insurance, Taxes, Coach transfers to and from the Airport
Early Booking is Advisable



Your Prayers.

Are requested for the repose of the soul of Elizabeth Scotch known in her native Crumlin Village as Libby Finnegan, who died in California on December 28th after a long illness.
May She Rest in Peace.



St Joseph's Young Priests Society

The monthly meeting takes place on Tues 8th Jan in the Parish Centre @ 7:45pm
All Are Welcome.