



**ST AGNES' PARISH
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**
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Family Offering: €1,867

Share: €2,344

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

Recently Deceased
Maureen Carroll, Stanaway Ct
Michael Reynolds, Baffe Rd East
We express our deepest sympathies to their families at this time.
May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 11th 2012
7:00pm Shared Mass
Sunday, February 12th 2012
9:30am Joseph O'Reilly & Family {Anniv}
11:00am Shared Mass
12:30pm Mary Webb & her son Christopher {A}
7:00pm James & Bridget Duffy {A}

May Their Souls and the Souls of All The Faithful Departed Rest In Peace. Amen

St Agnes Parish Readers Roster

Saturday, February 18th 2012
7.00pm Ann Maher
Sunday, February 19th 2012
9.30am John Green
11.00am B Prior. Family Mass
12.30pm Nualla Talbot
7.00pm Pat Condon

If you cannot make your reading, please contact John Green.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Please join us as we continue our journey towards the 50th International Eucharistic Congress with prayer and reflection in St Agnes Parish Centre on Saturday 18th February @ 8.00pm, followed by some refreshments

Catholic Papers

Just to remind you that weekly Catholic papers are on sale at all Masses - weekdays and Sundays. These papers keep us up to date with Church related issues and teachings

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"God gives us the gift of His love, but you must reach out to take it"

Our Children Our Sacraments

Here in the Parish of St. Agnes, many of you will have, over the past number of months experienced or indeed participated in special liturgies that are part of the Sacramental Programme in our schools. These programmes are for children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion and for Confirmation.

The first three sacraments, Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion are called the sacraments of initiation because the rest of our life as Christians depends on them. The Catholic Church sees baptism as the first and basic sacrament since it establishes the foundation of our Christian life. Through baptism, we are re-born into the Mystical Body of Christ on earth; we become members of the Body of Christ and brothers and sisters to each other. It is the sacrament of faith and faith needs a community of believers.

Historically, the sacrament of confirmation was administered immediately after baptism since the sacrament perfects our baptism and brings us the graces of the Holy Spirit that were granted to the Apostles on Pentecost Sunday. Over time, it became customary for the Sacrament of the Eucharist to be received as the second sacrament of initiation. This sacrament is central to our lives as Christians since through it, we are fed and nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ. This is the sacrament that draws us together each Sunday as a faith community, to celebrate, and to be nourished at the table of the Lord. It is the sacrament that sends us out 'to love and serve each other'.

The Sacramental Programme which is well established in our schools prepares the younger children for their first encounter with Jesus in the sacrament of the Eucharist. It continues to support them on their faith journey towards their full initiation into the Church which takes place at the time of Confirmation. We owe a debt of gratitude to our teachers for their dedication and commitment to our children. We are well aware that the foundation of their Christian lives are now being put in place and it is on these foundations that our children will build their lives as future parents.

In the course of the special liturgies that have taken place, the children from the different schools presented themselves in our midst as candidates for the sacrament of the Eucharist and of Confirmation. Their presence amongst us signified their desire, (in the case of the children preparing for First Holy Communion), to continue on their journey of faith. Their presence highlighted for us as a Parish, the need to support these little ones and their parents, with our prayers. The children preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation are on the threshold of full initiation into the Church. They are on the threshold too of adult life where many challenges await them. They will be the parents of to-morrow who will pass on the Catholic faith to future generations. Strengthened by the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we wish all of them many blessings and the reassurance of our prayers.

Fr Paul

Family Offering.

Your new Family Offering box will be distributed shortly. We thank you for your continued support to the Family Offering.

Anyone not contributing and who would like to do so on a regular basis, please leave your details in the Sacristy or Parish Office.

Milltown Institute

Rekindling Eucharistic Amazement

A series of seven Public Lectures preparing for the 50th International Eucharistic Congress 2012 will take place on Wednesdays from 7.30—9.00pm in the Milltown Institute Conference Room, Milltown Park, Dublin 6. Cost of Admission is €10 per lecture or €50 for the series of 7 lectures.

Februarys details are:

- 15th Feb - "The Eucharist Makes the Church Raymond Moloney SJ
- 22nd Feb - "The Last Supper: What Happened? What does it mean?" Kieran O'Mahony OSA
- 29th Feb - "New Temple Christology and the Eucharist" Cornelius J Casey CSsR

Volunteers are required in the Parish Centre, Monday to Friday from 10.00am to 12.00 noon. If you are interested please leave your name in the Parish Office.



Christ be Our Light

1. 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. .

Refrain: Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts, Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice. **R.**

Lord Accept the Gifts we offer

1. Lord, accept the gifts we offer, at this Eucharistic feast; Bread and wine to be transformed now, Through the action of thy priest. Take us too Lord and transform us, Be thy grace in us increased
2. May our souls be pure and spotless, As this host of wheat so fine, May all stain of sin be crushed out, Like the grape that forms the wine, As we, too, become partakers. In this sacrifice divine.

Sweet Sacrament Divine

1. Sweet Sacrament Divine, hid in thy earthly home, lo! Round thy lonely shrine, with suppliant hearts we come; Jesus, to thee our voice we raise, in songs of love and heartfelt praise, Sweet Sacrament Divine.
2. Sweet Sacrament of Peace, dear home of every heart, where restless yearnings cease, and sorrows all depart, there in thine ear all trustfully we tell our tale of misery, Sweet Sacrament of Peace.

Though We are Many

Refrain: Though we are many, we are one body, we who come to share this living bread; Cup of salvation, shared among all nations, nourishing us now and evermore.

1. We gather in this place round the table of the Lord. Christ's presence is revealed in our communion and his Living Word. **R.**



Legion of Mary. Monthly Discussion Group on the topic of 'Peace, silence and Prayer' Mon. Feb. 13th. 7.45pm in St. Agnes Parish Centre, Crumlin. All Welcome, bring a friend.

Dublin Diocesan Guidebook 2012.

There are some copies of this for sale in the Sacristy at €10. This book gives information on all the Parishes in the Dioceses, Masses etc, can sometimes be a very useful tool especially if you require Mass outside your own Parish.



REMINDER

The Annual Collection for ACCORD - The Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses THIS WEEKEND 11th & 12th of February 2012.

The Collection for ACCORD will replace the usual SHARE collection.

Please Give Generously.

Adoration - Can you help?

As many of our regulars are no longer in the "first flush of youth" we need some "younger" people to come along. Our immediate need is on Mon from 4pm to 5pm, Tues from 2pm to 5pm and Weds from 12noon to 1pm



EXPLORING JOHN'S GOSPEL

Monday Evenings, Feb 13th, 20th, 27th (7.30pm - 9.30pm)

After the well-attended series in the autumn, Kieran O'Mahony offers another three evenings on St. John's Gospel under the title "EXPLORING JOHN'S GOSPEL: Receive the Holy Spirit". The cost is €10 per lecture. To book for any of these events contact Fr. John Byrne OSA, Orlagh, Old Court Road, Dublin 16. Tel (01) 495 8190 Email: info@orlagh.ie.

NEW Crisis Pregnancy Counsellors

CURA Crisis Pregnancy Support Services are currently recruiting new Crisis Pregnancy Counsellors to work on a voluntary basis in their three Dublin Centres; City Centre (South Anne Street), Blanchardstown and Tallaght.

Cura are holding Information Sessions in: The Maldron Hotel, Tallaght on Monday 20th February, 7.30pm - 9.00pm; The Crowne Plaza, Blanchardstown on Wednesday 22nd February, 7.30pm - 9.00pm. The Ashling Hotel, Dublin on Monday 27th February, 2.30pm - 4.00pm and 7.30pm - 8.30pm. If you would like to find out more please come along to whichever session would suit you or contact 01-6710598.

Confession Times

Saturdays: 10.45am to 11.45am & 6.45pm-7.00pm

Eves of First Fridays: 10.15am to 10.45 am & from 6.45pm to 7.00pm.



Volunteers required for Church Shop

If you are interested in volunteering, please talk to Sr. Teresita who is at the shop daily for the 10.00am Weekday Mass and Sunday Masses 9.30am to 12.30pm