



**ST AGNES' PARISH
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**
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Priests of the Parish

Fr. J. Deasy P.P. Ph. 4550955
Fr. J. Foster Ph. 4650714
Fr. P. Coffey Ph. 4650707
Fr. P. Brewster Ph. 4650716

Family Offering: €2,133
Share: €2,526

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity

Recently Deceased

*Eileen O'Connor, St Agnes Pk,
Kevin Brown, Clonard Road
John Horan, Balfe Ave
Bartholomew Madden, Cashel Ave*

*We express our deepest sympathies to
Their Families at this time.
May They Rest in Peace. Amen..*

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 28th June 2008

7:00pm Shared Mass
Sunday 29th June 2008
9:00am Peter & Kathleen Martin {A}
10:00am James & Kathrine Doyle
Carmel & Ursula Doyle {A}
11:00am Michael Downes {A}
12:00pm Mary & Michael Kelly {A}
1:00pm Peter & Mary McGuinness
{Anniv}
7:00pm Catherine & Michael
Dowling {A}

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

St Agnes Parish - Readers Roster

Saturday 05 / 07 / 08

7.00pm Nuala Talbot

Sunday 06 / 07 / 08

9.00am Vera Brennan
10.00am Family Mass
11.00am M Finnegan
12.00pm Pat Corrigan
1.00pm Liam Buckley
7.00pm John Green

*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*

Lourdes Pilgrimage

*Almost 50 pilgrims depart next
weekend from the Parish to
Lourdes in this special
year there, marking
the 150th Anniversary
of the apparitions of Mary to
Bernadette. We wish our pilgrims
well and pray for them as they
pray for us at Our Lady's Shrine*

Thought for the Week

"If you judge people you have no time to love them" - Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Sisters of Charity Celebrate

Almost 70 years ago the Sisters of Charity came to St Agnes Parish when they opened their Primary Schools on Armagh Road. Over that period they contributed to the education of countless children as well as being part of the life of the Parish. We rejoice with them as they celebrate a significant anniversary next month.

On 22nd July this year the Religious sisters of Charity in Ireland, England, Scotland, Zambia, Nigeria, California, Venezuela and Australia, together with their friends and co-workers will be celebrating the hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the death of Mary Aikenhead, who founded the congregation of the Sisters of Charity in 1815 for the service of the poor and especially the sick poor. There was great poverty in Ireland at that time and Mary Aikenhead, conscious of the social, economic, educational and spiritual deprivation of so many people around her, wanted to give to the poor what the rich could buy for money. With a small group of sisters she set up schools for poor children, visited the sick in their homes, and opened a hospital—St Vincent's Hospital on St Stephen's Green.



Since then her sisters have continued to minister to the needs of people in four continents, working in schools and hospitals, but especially with people who are ill, poor, homeless, depressed or suicidal, addicted to alcohol or drugs, refugees or asylum seekers, those suffering from disabilities, affected by AIDS, imprisoned or enslaved.

The Sisters of Charity are no strangers to the people of Crumlin, ever since they came here in June 1939 and opened a school which was reputed to be the largest primary school in Europe at the time. In fact it consisted of four schools, each with it's own Principal. Almost immediately the work of visiting the sick in their homes was begun and Sodalities established—children of Mary and Christian Mothers—and a Girls' Club. A Food Centre and Clothing guild provided many local families with necessary commodities during those difficult war years, and later the Meals-on-Wheels service was introduced.

Today as we celebrate the 150th Anniversary of her entry into eternal life, Mary Aikenhead has reason to be proud and pleased to see how her sisters here in Crumlin and elsewhere throughout the world, are carrying on the works begun by her in 1815, inspired by their motto: -

Caritas Christi urget nos—The Love of Christ compels us

Church Windows - Update

Last week, I reported to you on the problems with our Church Windows. This weekend, I wish to tell you that we have received permission to seek a detailed report and cost estimate for the repair work involved. I have instructed Howley Hayes, conservation Architects to proceed. The estimated cost of this detailed report is €10,000 - €12,000.

Fr John.

August Mass Times

During August there will be no Sunday Evening Mass at 7pm. The evening Mass will resume in September. During the Bank Holiday Week beginning Monday August 4th there will be no 8am Mass. Normal weekday Masses will resume on Monday August 11th.

Golden Jubilee Celebration

Fr John Foster will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of his ordination on Sunday 13th July 2008. The 7.00pm Mass on that Sunday will mark this milestone in Fr Foster's priesthood and this will be followed by tea and light refreshments in the Parish Centre. Those Parishioners wishing to contribute towards a presentation to Fr Foster should leave their donation with Mary in the Parish Office.



READERS MEETING

The next meeting of St Agnes Parish Readers Group will take place on Tuesday 1st July at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre.

Volunteers

Due to some of our volunteers going on Summer holidays, extra volunteers are needed to help out in the Coffee Dock in the Parish Centre. If you have 2 hours to spare a week, it will be greatly appreciated if you could help out. The 2 hours are from 10am to 12noon, Monday to Friday. If you can help out please leave your contact details in the Parish Office.

Recently Baptised

*Matthijs Conor Offenberg
Sami William Jones
Eoghan James Moran
Katie Elizabeth Hardiman
Liam Michael McNally
Lucas Declan Dunphy
Nessa May Mooney
Niamh Orlaith Whelan*



*We welcome them into our Christian
Community and wish them every blessing
in their lives ahead.*

SHIELTON ATHLETIC F. C.

Trials. Stanaway Park. Saturday July 5th. 1.00pm 18s and above.



How Great Thou Art

1. O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder, Consider all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed.
R. Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee, How great thou art, how great thou art. Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee, How great Thou art, how great Thou art.
2. When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation, And take me home-what joy shall fill my heart. Then shall I bow in humble adoration, And there proclaim, My God how great Thou art. **(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.

Summer Break

Our Parish Newsletter Team takes a well earned rest during July and August. During these two months our Newsletter will not be published. During that time we will use Missalettes as we did last year. If you have any events you wish to bring to the notice of our parishioners, please send them to the Parish Office as soon as possible so we can give them a mention before the end of the month.

Don't forget that the **Parish Website** will be 'live' and updated over the Summer months so log on to **www.crumlinparish.ie** to keep up to date with Parish Events.

The Editor and Newsletter Team wish all our readers a Sunny and Restful Summer and we look forward to being with you all again at the beginning of September

"Divine Mercy Prayer Meeting @ 3pm every 1st Friday of each month at 60 Sundrive Road - All Welcome - under the auspices of the Legion of Mary

Feast of St Oliver Plunkett

Tuesday, July 1 is the feast day of St Oliver Plunkett, bishop and martyr. Oliver from Irish nobility, whose family supported King Charles I was ordained in Rome in 1654. Appointed Archbishop of Armagh in 1669, he was forced to conduct a covert ministry during the suppression of priests. Found guilty of high treason he was martyred 1 July 1681 at Tyburn by hanging, disembowelling, quartering and beheading. His head is in St Peter's Church at Drogheda, Ireland; most of his body is at Downside Abbey, England; some relics in Ireland.



MASS CARDS

We have written here before about the 'sale' of Mass Cards - stamped with the name of an unknown priest. It is a practice condemned by the Bishops of Ireland.
We now have available proper Mass Cards at the Parish shop during opening hours and also at the Parish Office when the office is open. The other cards are an abuse and should not be supported.

Papal Charities Collection

At all Masses this weekend the Annual Collection in support of Papal Charities will take place. The Collection will replace Share. In the past this appeal was known as Peter's Pence Please be as generous as possible

Mary Immaculate Church, Inchicore Anointing of the sick on Sunday June 29th at 3.00pm at the Lourdes Grotto, in the grounds of The Oblates.

Knock 2008



Our Annual pilgrimage to Knock from St. Agnes' will take place on Thursday 28 August.

The Pilgrimage will depart at 8.30 am stopping for tea/coffee and a scone in the Percy French Hotel, Strokestown on the way to Knock.

On the return we will stop for a four course meal at the same hotel. The all-in cost including coach and meals is €42. Booking is now open at the Parish Office.

Sweet Sacrament Divine

1. Sweet sacrament divine, hid in they earthly home, lo! round they lowly 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.

Now Thank We All Our God

1. Now thank we all our God, With heart and hands and voices, Who wonderous things has done, In whom the world rejoices, Who from our mother's arms, Has blessed us on our way, With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today.
2. O may this bounteous God, Through all our lives be near us, With ever joyful hearts, And blessed peace to cheer us, And keep us in his grace, And guide us when perplexed, And free us from all ills, In this world and the next.