



ST AGNES' PARISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Family Offering: € 2,525

Share: € 2,572

Many thanks for your continued
support and generosity

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 5th 2011

7:00pm Shared Mass

Sunday, March 6th 2011

9:00am John Coonan {A}

10:00am Rose & William Bonner { A}

11:00am Bridget Laffan {A}

12:00pm Tony & Ena Hegarty {A}

1:00pm Nora Doyle {A}

7:00pm Daniel {24th A} & Catherine
{18th A} Brohoon

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

St Agnes Parish - Readers Roster

Saturday, March 12th 2011

7.00pm Jean Cleary

Sunday, March 13th 2011

9.00am Vera Brennan

10.00am Family Mass

11.00am M Finnegan & K Kennedy

12.00pm John Green

1.00pm Nuala Talbot

7.00pm Pat Condon

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

Recently Baptised

Anna Josephine McCabe
Cian Gerard Deane-Mooney
Emma Philomena Connolly

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



Gospel Reflection Group

This Lent deepen your understanding of
the Gospel with Fr. Michael Kelly.
Starting on Tuesday 8th March at 7:45pm
to 8:30pm in the parish centre and every
Tuesday during the season of Lent.

Walk with Me.

This popular booklet is available at the back of
the Church. It is pocket size and you can carry it
with you to use at home or on a visit to the
Church. It is a Lenten journey of prayer for
2011.

As we buy in bulk we can sell them for €1 each.
So do get your copy or buy one for a friend or a
housebound relative, or neighbour.

It is a Spiritual Gift.

Thought for the Week

"Jesus...is my centre, my meaning, my reason for living" -

Fr. Ramiero Cantalamessa

Spring Colours of Lent

When the season of Spring returns to the land, a festival of life and light abounds. Suddenly, there are longer days of sunlight, earlier dawns, later subsets, as Spring arrives, the creatures that have hidden in the dark folds of Winter's skirts are lured by the light and warmth of the penetrating sun. Birdsongs echo throughout the gardens. It is a jubilant time for nature. Freedom is in the air. Fields and forests are filled with newly born creatures. Grasses rise up out of the earth, strong and tall. Tiny seeds in newly warmed soil shed their husks, thick walled bulbs open their protective doors to allow future flowers to step out. Bright faced tulips, hyacinths and daffodils herald the advent of the season. While Spring is a time of intense growth, it is also a time to refresh, clean, and empty out the clutter that has collected during the sedentary months. Windows are opened to get rid of stale air, gardens are cleared for planting, newly mown lawns are mowed.

The word 'Lent' comes from the Anglo-Saxon 'Lencten', meaning Spring. It is a reference to the time of year when the days lengthen noticeably, marking both spring in nature and our own spiritual renewal within. 'Renew your hearts', we sing during this season of nature's newness because in us too new life must begin to grow. It is a time to believe in growth and to give oneself to it wholeheartedly. And this will happen when we like the buds of the earth, open to God and to others; when we clean and empty out the clutter inside in order to awaken us to joy, gratitude and praise.

"Blessed are you, Spring like Jesus, standing before the tomb of Lazarus, You call to us: "Remove the Winters stone, come out there is life here you have not tasted"

What keeps us from leaping out of Winter into Spring?

Sister Margaret.

Lent has Arrived.

It is unusual to begin the Lenten Season so late, but that is determined by the date of Easter which this year occurs on April 24th. This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday which is also a Fast Day and a day of abstinence from meat. Ashes will be distributed at all Masses on the day and perhaps you might consider making an effort to attend daily Mass for Lent. The mark on our forehead reminds us that Lent is a time of change, and repentance and to make that extra effort this year.

Eucharistic Congress Committee

The Pastoral Area of Crumlin, Mourne Road and Clogher Road has now established a committee to help prepare our Pastoral Area for the Eucharistic Congress in 2012. On the committee are two parishioners from each parish and two priests from the Pastoral Area.

Our first meeting was held on 22nd of February and we hope to hold our first event for the Pastoral Area on Sunday 27th March at 3pm in Clogher Road Church. We will keep you informed as plans develop.

Fr. Michael Kelly.

Trocaire Boxes.

Trocaire is the Church's agency that works for a just world, and the Lenten Collection boxes are now available in the Church.
Please do take one home with you.

This years trócaire box tells the story of Digna Portilla Amador. She is five years old and lives with her family in north east Honduras, in a small community called La Confianza. The community is extremely poor. Families work together to secure their land, farm it and earn an income. However, yields are so low that they barely make enough to pay for basic essentials like food and clothing. We invite you, this coming Lent, to journey in solidarity with Digna and her family as they struggle for justice, peace and dignity in their community.

ADORATION IN THE ORATORY.

We need more people to commit, particularly for the following days and times-

MONDAY : 3-4, & 4-5;

TUESDAY : 2-3, 7 4-5 & 5-6.

THURSDAY: 11-12

FRIDAY: 11-12.

It is a wonderful privilege to have Exposition so please consider making a commitment. Names and phone numbers can be given in at the Office in the Parish Centre - we will then contact you.

Ethics for all: A public lecture series will be held in Mater Dei Institute, Clonliffe Road, Dublin 3, commencing Tuesday March 8th. For full details see www.dublindiocese.ie or alternatively email ethicseries@gmail.com



Amazing Grace

1. Amazing grace how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me! I once was
lost but now am found: Was blind but
now I see.
2. Twas grace that taught my heart to
fear. And grace my fears relieved. How
precious did that grace appear: The
hour I first believed
3. Thro' many dangers, toils and snares I
have already come, 'Tis grace hath
brought me safe thus far and grace will
lead me home.

Receive O Father in Thy Love

1. Receive O Father in thy love, These
humble gifts of bread and wine; That
with ourselves we offer thee, Returning
gifts already thine.
2. Behold this host and chalice, Lord, to
thee on high the gifts we raise: through
them may we our honour pay, our
adoration and our praise



Pancake Fundraiser For NCBI.

WHERE:

ST. AGNES' PARISH
CENTRE, CRUMLIN.

WHEN:

TUESDAY MARCH 8TH.

FROM 10AM—12PM

PANCAKES €

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE
NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE
BLIND OF IRELAND.



Loreto College Crumlin
Road. Tel: 4542380

Transition Year Musical:

'OKLAHOMA'

Wednesday 9th to Friday 11th March
8pm nightly

Tickets on sale from school or on
night at door €10

Availability of Priests.

Over the 12 years that I have been in Crumlin we have been able to sustain an extensive number of daily and weekend Masses. However it looks like we will have to cut the number of Masses over the Summer and into the Autumn. The Pastoral Team in the area and Parish Pastoral Council of the 3 Parishes have been looking into the future. However we do not know what the Summer changes will bring.

For July and August, there will be no 10am Mass on Sunday Mornings and there will be no Sunday evening Mass @ 7pm either. For the past 2 years we have had no 7pm Mass in August only. This is an interim arrangement until we see what the Summer brings. If you have booked a Mass Intention at the above times, please contact Mary in the Parish Office. Fr John

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

Our next meeting will be on
Thursday March 10th after 10
Mass in the Camac Room in
the Parish Centre.



All Are Welcome

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Booking has now opened in the
Parish Office. The Pilgrimage will
take place from 7th to 12th
September which coincides with the
Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage with all
the advantages that the occasion
brings to our group.

The cost is €638 pps. We are
organising the Pilgrimage to bring
together the Parishes of our Pastoral
Area, Crumlin, Mourne
Rd, and Clogher Rd.

One of the Priests will
travel with the group.
The Hotel is The Grand
Hotel de la Basilique
which is very close to the Shrine.



For more information and to book,
please call to the **Parish Office or
ring Mary at 455 5368**

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 through-out
the universe displayed.

Ref: Then sings my soul, my saviour God to
thee, how great thou art, how great thou
art, then sings my souls 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