



ST AGNES' PARISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Family Offering: € 2,785

Share: € 2,507

Many thanks for your continued
support and generosity

Recently Deceased

As No deaths occurred in this past
week, may we take this time to
remember in our prayers all who have
died in our Parish so far this Year.
May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

Thought for the Week

"Christ be beside me, Christ be before me, Christ be behind me, Christ be beneath
me, Christ be above me" - St Patrick

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 12th 2011

7:00pm Shared Mass

Sunday, March 13th 2011

9:00am Linda Brennan {A}
10:00am Christopher Travers {A}
11:00am John & Mary Divilly {A}
12:00pm Charles Goucher {A}
1:00pm Dominic Keaveny {A}
7:00pm Patrick Geraghty {A}

Please pray for John Murphy {Ex Choir
Member} whose anniversary occurs at
this time

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

St Agnes Parish - Readers Roster

Saturday, March 19th 2011

7.00pm Marie Donoghue

Sunday, March 20th 2011

9.00am Richard Mc Dermott
10.00am Family Mass
11.00am A Maher & B Prior
12.00pm John Green
1.00pm Nuala Talbot
7.00pm Pat Condon

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

Gospel Reflection Group

This Lent deepen your
understanding of the Gospel with
Fr. Michael Kelly.

The group meets on Tuesday
evenings from 7:45pm to 8:30pm
in the parish centre .

All are Welcome

St Patrick & Lent

Patrick must be unique among national patrons in that his name is enshrined in the everyday salutations of the language of the people when he evangelised. His name is used along with that of God and Mary - Dia is Muire dhuit, dia is Muire, is Pádraig dhuit. Those salutations are the measure of his success in making Christianity a natural part of the Irish culture and scene of his time. His feast day also falls during Lent and what a model he is for all of us. St Patrick's Day is Ireland's national feast. It's thought to be a celebration of being Irish and that is what it has become, in Ireland and throughout the world. But, of course, the most significant thing about Patrick is that he wasn't Irish at all. He was a Christian foreign missionary sent to convert the Irish from barbarous paganism. He wrote in his Confession: "I came to the Irish heathens to preach the Good News and to put up with insults from unbelievers" The religious feast of St Patrick is not a celebration of being Irish, it is a celebration of being Christian. What we celebrate is his Christian Virtue and zeal for the Kingdom of God and our good fortune in having him as an apostolic missionary who introduced us to God and to the Good News of Jesus Christ. Patrick is a saint for our time especially in his generosity of soul and readiness to forgive. The Irish did not always treat Patrick well. They introduced themselves to him by carrying him off by force and making him a slave. He had every right to nurse a grievance against them. Instead he returned to give his life to the Irish. Generosity of Spirit and forgiveness are not Christian virtues one associates with the Irish. We tend to have long memories especially historical memories. That was not Patrick's way - his generosity of spirit had its roots not from his temperament or from living among us but in his Christian Faith. Although Patrick was a Christian he tells us in his Confessions that in captivity he was converted to God. The Lord made him aware of his unbelief and sinfulness so that he might turn wholeheartedly to him. In his captivity he learned to pray and to fast. We are rightly proud of Patrick, for coming among us, for respecting and understanding the religion, the lifestyle and culture of the Irish among whom he lived. It is our task now to carry forward that legacy given to us and pass it on to the next generation. Lent and St Patrick's Day are a reminder for us all of the heritage we possess and like Patrick share it with others.



Sister Margaret.

Our Thanks

We wish to express our gratitude to all who helped at the Novena of Grace. Our special thanks to our musicians and singers, and all who helped around the Church. Fr Dan Baragry had a nice and concise way of conveying the message. Our gratitude to Fr Dan especially.

We hope we will always remember the theme throughout Lent:

"Keeping Our Eyes Fixed on Jesus"

CONGRATULATIONS

To the girls of St Agnes School and the boys of Scoil Cholm who made their Confirmation on Thursday last. May the Spirit always guide their young lives and may their parents and families always be a good example to them by the way they follow Jesus Christ. Sadly for some if not many children it is a Sacrament of farewell to the Church and even to prayer



MILLTOWN INSTITUTE, DUBLIN "BROKEN FAITH - REVISIONING THE CHURCH IN IRELAND" 6th - 9th April 2011

This major conference is in response to the Ryan and Murphy Reports, and it gathers a line up of outstanding speakers to engage with participants and open up avenues of further reflection.

Speakers include ~ John Allen, National Catholic Reporter ~ Michael Cronin, DCU ~ Bernadette Fahy, Co-founder of the Aislinn Centre for Survivors Dublin ~ Kevin Hegarty, Co-Pastor, Kilmore-Erriis, Mayo ~ Marie Keenan, UCD ~ Dermot Keogh, UCC ~ Lynn Levo, Psychologist, New York ~ Gerard Mannion, University of San Diego ~ Patrick Mc Cafferty, CC Dublin ~ Gerry O'Hanlon, Jesuit Centre for Faith & Justice ~ Kieran O'Mahony, Milltown Institute ~ Geraldine Smyth, Irish School of Ecumenics.

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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



The Lord's My Shepherd

1. The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want, He
makes me down to lie, In pastures green
he leadeth me, The quite waters by.
2. My soul he doth restore again, And me to
walk doth make. Within the paths of
righteousness, E'en for his own name's
sake.
3. Goodness and mercy all my life, shall
surely follow me; and in God's house for
evermore, my dwelling place shall be.

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

St Patrick's Day



The feast is celebrated this
year on Thursday next. The First Mass
(Vigil) will be on Wednesday evening at
7pm. We will have our usual parade from
Armagh Rd, led by the Crumlin Youth Band
together with Scouts, Guides, Irish Dancers,
etc. All this will add to the festive occasion.
We will be remembering our heritage and
our faith

On St Patrick's Day, Masses in the morning
will be at Sunday times of 9am, 10am,
11am, 12noon and the final Mass of the day
will be at 1pm. **THERE IS NO 7PM MASS
ON ST PATRICK'S DAY**

We hope you have an enjoyable celebration
of the Feast.

St Patrick, patron of Ireland, Pray
for us and our many emigrants
living abroad.
Fr John

Prayer of St Patrick

Keep me as the apple of your eye;
Hide me in the shadow of your wings.
I sing as I arise today!
I call on my Creator's might;
The will of God to be my guide,
The eye of God to be my sight,
The word of God to be my speech,
The hand of God to be my stay,
The shield of God to be my strength,
The path of God to be my way

St. Padre Pio



The next meeting will be on
**Tuesday 15th March
2011.** Rosary 6.45pm; Mass
at 7.00pm. Followed by Benediction
& Blessing. **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 Basillique 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**

This weekend's Church Gate Collection is in aid of Bone Marrow for Leukaemia Trust.
Please be as generous as possible