Annual Crosscare Collection

(the Social Care Agency of the Dublin Diocese)

The theme for this year's annual Crosscare collection is "Supporting young people in care" the collection takes place at all Masses on Sunday 18th September and replaces the usual share collection.

Triduum to Saint Therese at Aughrim Street

A Triduum in honour of Saint Therese will take place in the Church of the Holy Family, Aughrim Street, on Thursday / Friday 29th, 30th September at 10am and 7.30pm Masses, Saturday the 1st October at the 10am and 7pm (vigil) Masses. Each evening at Mass there will be a special homily with guest speakers. Blessing with the Relic and Blessing of Roses at 7pm Mass on Saturday. All are welcome.

Lourdes Invalid Fund

We would like to thank all those who contributed to this year's Lourdes Invalid Fund. The amount collected was €5510. The intentions of all contributors will be prayed for during the Pilgrimage Masses and placed at the Grotto.

Copper Coin Collection Saturday 13th August 2011



The collection amounted to €1130 for which we THANK YOU

If your copper coins were not collected please contact the parish office 8554078.

If you know of any housebound parishioner or anybody else who might be interested in this **NEWSLETTER** please give them a copy.

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A FOND FAREWELL TO SR . MAGDALEN



We take this opportunity to wish Sr. Magdalen many years of happiness in her retirement. For the last 30 years Sr. Magdalen has worked tirelessly in the Crosscare Food Centre, Dunne Street, providing meals to those who avail of this much needed service. Sr. Magdalen has provided this service with great love and care. To her great credit no one in all those years was ever refused. Everyone received a warm welcome into, not just a centre but what has become an inviting family atmosphere. "We will miss you Sr. Magdalen, thank you so much from the bottom of our hearts", from all the parishioners in St. Agatha's Parish.



Ireland's Biggest Coffee Morning

The Annual Coffee morning in aid of St Francis Hospice, Raheny, takes place on : Thursday, 15th September 2011 in St. Agatha's Church

Why not join us after the 10.00 am Mass. Your contributions towards this worthy cause are very much appreciated. Looking forward to seeing !



Tuesday 20th September The Eucharistic Congress Bell

The Eucharistic Congress Bell will be brought from Aughrim Street Parish and arrive in St. Agatha's church for 10am Mass on Tuesday **20th of September** during which parishioners will be invited to ring the Bell in remembrance of those who have died and for all their intentions and the intentions of the parish. We hope that as many as possible will come to this Mass. The Bell will then be taken to the parish schools and conclude with Benediction in the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Sean McDermott Street at 12 noon.

The Bell is a key symbol of the 50th International Eucharistic Congress. From its origins in the Dominican Convent of Portstewart, Co. Derry the Bell was more recently used to ring in the Jubilee Year 2000 in Glendalough, Co. Wicklow.

The Bell reflects the invitation to faith, to prayer, to reconciliation and to mission which has always been important in our Christian tradition and is no less so today. The pilgrimage of the Bell throughout the Dioceses of Ireland, and beyond, will continue throughout the coming year.

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Pilgrimage to Lourdes September 22nd - 27th 2011

Parishes Working Together

A pilgrimage to Lourdes from the parishes of St. Laurenc O'Toole, St Joseph's, Our Lady of Lourdes, and our own paris will take place from 22^{nd} to 27^{th} September. We wish everyone safe trip and a successful pilgrimage.

Introducing The New Roman Missal

Last Sunday marked a significant step in the journey towards full use of the new edition of the Roman Missal on the First Sunday of Advent. The new translation in responses and prayers said by the congregation are included on the Mass prayer Cards. The order and structure of the Mass is not changed. Nor are the readings changed. Over time, we will become familiar with the prayers which have very slightly changed, for example, in the Holy, Holy, we say "Lord God of hosts" and in the response to "Pray, brothers and sisters," the addition

of one word, "holy," before "Church." Other prayers have much more changes and where we said "And also with you" we now say "And with your spirit."



New Parish Pastoral Worker

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new parish pastor worker Pauline O'Shea who has been appointed to the parishes of St Laurence O'Toole, North Wall, St Joseph's, East Wall, Our Lady c Lourdes, Sean Mc Dermott Street, and our own parish. We look forward t working with Pauline and we pray God's blessing on her ministry in ou parishes.