



PARISH OF ST. AGATHA

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THANK YOU FOR UNDERSTANDING AND SUPPORTING
5.30pm Vigil OUR NEW MASS TIMES **11.30am**

EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION LAW

A new European Data Protection law, the General Data Protection Regulation (“GDPR”), is being introduced on 25 May 2018. This new law applies to any organisation, including our parish that manages and processes people’s personal information. We are now working on ways of ensuring that what we do with your information is compliant with this new law. It is a work in progress and over the next few months we will keep you informed through the parish website and in the newsletter as policies are put in place. If you have any questions about this please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.

CEMETERY MASSES & BLESSING OF GRAVES		
Fingal	17th June	12.00pm
Glasnevin	24th June	3.00pm
Balgriffin	1st July	12.00pm
Dardistown	1st July	3.00pm

Last Sunday’s Collections	
First Collection	€135
Share Collection	€110

WILLIAM STREET COMMUNITIOTY PARTY

Congratulations & Thanks to Samantha and All who organised the very successful Children and Community William Street Party, last Sunday. Bouncy Castle, Food, Refreshments and Music were great

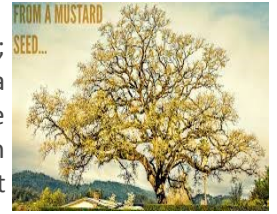
CHOIR NOTICE

Musical Director, Peter, is looking for new choir members!
If interested, please contact him up in balcony after Mass.
We encourage all parishioners to sing along with the choir during Mass, Please!!



SEED COMPARED TO FAITH & HEAVEN

The mustard seed is small in size but it holds an explosive force; although it is sown in a small opening in the ground, it produces a huge living tree (shrub), with great outstretched branches where birds can nest and creatures find shelter from the scorching sun and rain. It benefits the earth and all who encounter it, because it responds to the gifts God sends it: rain and sunshine.



TH IS LIKE A SEED

In the same way faith produces great effects in the soul instantaneously. Like a seed - our Faith was first planted in our souls in Baptism. Enlightened by faith, the soul pictures God and His Kingdom and sees Him clearly; enabling us also to respond to God’s Gifts—His Grace and Teachings, which enabling our growth in spirit.

FAITH IN ACTION

Like the shrub, faith too, helps us to contribute positively to those in need, such as providing shelter, charity, love, alms and forgiveness. We must forgive each other if we are to find forgiveness from Christ Our King. We are called to listen and comfort the restless soul who God sends our way. Grace is the spiritual sunshine of the soul.

KINGDOM OF LOVE & MERCY

The Kingdom of God is not a geographical country. The Kingdom has no borders or boundaries. It is a State of Grace, Love and Forgiveness (Mercy), and begins here on earth. To practice these virtues is to allow the Kingdom within us to grow. Wherever Jesus is present, there is the Kingdom of Heaven which begins like a tiny seed in our soul

KING (CHRIST) DOM (THE LORD)

If we look at the word Kingdom, we see it is made up of two parts; King & Dom. **King** means **Christ** as He is our **King**. And **Dom** is the Latin word meaning, **the Lord**. So when I pray the *Our Father* and say; *Thy King-dom come*, I am inviting; *You, my Lord and King, to come to me and Reign my life*. Grow like the mustard seed making my home (body) with the Lord, as St Paul says in the second reading.

PATIENCE & TRUST

The patience and trust of the farmer who waits from seedtime to harvest is an image presented to us as a parable of growth reminding us that God’s power is at work in us, night and day, and will generate the development and awareness of the Kingdom of Heaven or the Kingdom of God through our prayer, patience, obedience and trust in Him. We have to collaborate with His Grace (sunshine & rain) if we are to grow in spirit. The main ingredient of faith is Trust (in Jesus). Fr Brendan