We would like to congratulate the boy's and girl's of O'Connell's and St. Vincent schools who received The Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Agatha's on 1st June 2011



The collection amounted to **€915** for which we **THANK YOU**

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



Pilgrimage to Lourdes September 22nd - 27th 2011

Parishes Working Together

A pilgrimage to Lourdes from the parishes of St. Laurence O'Toole, Seville Place, St Joseph's, East Wall, Our Lady of Lourdes, Sean McDermott Street, and our own parish will take place from 22^{nd} to 27^{th} September.

For further information contact Sr. Bridget 8554075 or see the notice at the back of the church.

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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The 50th International Eucharistic Congress in Ireland



The Eucharistic Congress Candle which was blessed at Our Lady's Shrine in Knock on Saturday will be presented at the 10.30 Mass today, the feast of Corpus Christi, this is the weekend during which the National Eucharistic Congress is taking place in Knock.

We ask God's Blessing on our Parish as we begin our preparations to celebrate the 50^{th} International Eucharistic Congress which takes place next year in Dublin from June 10^{th} to 17^{th} 2012.

Matt Talbot Sunday 3rd July

The Annual Mass to pray for the Beatification of The Venerable Matt Talbot takes place on Sunday 3rd July 2011 at 3.00 pm. in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean McDermott Street. Veneration of relics takes place immediately after Mass. All are welcome.



St Agatha's Parish Pastoral Council Commissioning Ceremony



Congratulations to our New Parish Pastoral Council who were commissioned on Pentecost Sunday.

The members of the Parish Pastoral Council are:

Helen Dowling, Patricia Fitzsimons, Maureen Grant, Mary Irwin, Mary Keane **Liaison Officer**, John Kelly, Fr. Brian Lawless **President**, Dan Moore **Chairperson**, Micheál McGuigan, Sr. Bridget O'Connor, Jacinta Parkes, Fr. Anthony Scully and Pat Walsh **Secretary**.



The Eucharistic Congress Bell

As part of the preparations for the 50th International Eucharistic Congress we are delighted to receive the Eucharistic Congress Bell a symbol of the call to prayer.

The Eucharistic Congress Bell will come to our Parish on **Monday 19th of September.** The Bell is a key symbol of the 50th International Eucharistic. 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 will reflect 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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VENERABLE MATT TALBOT PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK Sunday 17th July 2011



A pilgrimage to Knock from the parishes of , Our Lady of Lourdes, Sean McDermott Street, St Joseph's, East Wall, St. Laurence O'Toole, Seville Place, St. Francis Xavier, Gardiner Street and our own parish will task place on Sunday 17th July 2011.

Cost €35 includes bus and dinner. For further information contact Maureen in the Parish Office.

Lourdes Invalid Fund

Continues at the back of the church at all Masses during the summer. The intentions of all contributors will be prayed fo during the Pilgrimage Masses and placed at the Grotto.