

Enrolment Ceremonies

The Enrolment Ceremony for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion for the girls and boys from St. Vincent's Girls and O'Connell Boys Schools will take place at the 12 midday Mass on Sunday 11th November 2007. First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday 10th May 2008.



During the 12 midday Mass on Sunday 18th November 2007 the boys and girls will present themselves for enrolment for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation will take place on 28th May 2008.

Please pray for them and their families.

Thank You for your generosity

- * **St. Francis Hospice Coffee Morning** which amounted to
- * **The Annual Crosscare Collection** brought in
- * **Mission Sunday Collection** amounted to



*Don't forget the
clocks go back this
weekend!*



PARISH OF ST. AGATHA NEWSLETTER

28th October 2007

May perpetual light shine upon them

The month of November is a special time of the year when we as Christians remember and pray for all those who have died.

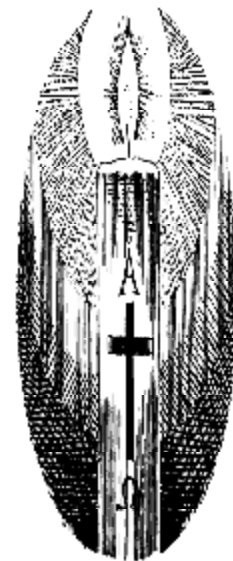
You are invited to place the names of all those of your family and friends who have died on to the **Altar List of the Dead**. These people will be prayed for at all the Masses during the month of November and on every First Friday for the coming year. The names are then kept at the back of the altar where they are included in the prayer of the Masses in our church until November 2008 when they will be shredded.

An Altar List of the Dead envelope is included with this newsletter. More envelopes can be obtained from the box at the altar rails.

When completed they can be:-

- Placed in the black box at the altar rails
- Put on the collection plate during Mass
- Or handed into the sacristy.

The **Annual Mass for Deceased Parishioners** will take place on Monday 19th November at 7.30 p.m. in St. Agatha's Church.



May they Rest in Peace. Amen

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

MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK

29th October - Bank Holiday Monday

Mass at 10 a.m. only.
No 9.00 a.m. or 7.30 p.m.

Tuesday 30th October

Masses at 9, and 10 a.m. 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday 31st October

Masses at 9, 10 a.m. and
7.30 p.m. (Vigil for All Saints)

Thursday 1st November - Feast of All Saints

Masses at 9 & 10a.m. and 7.30 p.m.

Today we celebrate not only the canonised saints but all the dead who are in heaven including our relatives and friends.

Friday 2nd November - Feast of All Souls and First Friday

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

Masses 9 & 10 a.m.

The church asks us *“to help the faithful departed by earnest prayer to God for their entry into the communion of saints in heaven”*.

Mass for Deceased Clergy of the Diocese

This Mass is offered for all the clergy of the Archdiocese of Dublin who died during the past year. Fr Frank Brady will be remembered and prayed for at this years Mass which will take place on **Saturday 10th November 2007 at 11.00 a.m. in St. Mary’s Pro-Cathedral.**

All are welcome to attend



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 24:46-48 - Humble Prayer

The story Jesus tells us today deals with two kinds of prayer: prayer that pleases God and prayer that displeases Him.

God loves the prayer that comes from humble hearts. The prayer of the proud turns Him off. The ‘prayer’ of the Pharisee was not prayer at all, it was a lengthy boast that he was better than others. If we don’t believe in our hearts that we need God’s help in our lives we can never pray properly.

Ask God to give you the gift of true prayer. Do you know the prayer that the Virgin Mary made? (see Luke 1:46-56)

The first reading (Ecclesiasticus (Sirach) 35:12-13, 16-19) assures us that God always listens to the humble prayers of those who are aware of their need of His help. Humble prayer ‘pierces the clouds’ and goes straight to the heart of God.

The Responsorial Psalm 32 makes the same point: God is very close to the poor and needy.

The second reading (2 Paul to Timothy 4:6-8, 16-17) says the Lord has reserved for all who long for Him. Make the last sentence of the reading your own prayer of praise to God.



Have a happy and a safe Halloween
however you choose to dress up and spend it!!!!