

## ***Local Crime - Message from Gardai***

Following recent crimes in this area the local Neighbourhood Police Unit are seeking your assistance in looking after vulnerable neighbours and also asking you to keep a look out for suspicious persons of all ages seen loitering or calling door to door without identification.

### ***Our neighbourhood police are***

Sgt. Joe O'Flaherty - 086 3443607  
Garda Andrew Melbourne - 086 3908788  
Garda Eoin Lynch - 087 6791630  
Fitzgibbon Street Garda Station - 6668400

You can also contact Marie Metcalfe or Peter O'Connor in the Community Police Forum at Killarney Court, phone 8557015.



## **PARISH OF ST. AGATHA**

### **NEWSLETTER**

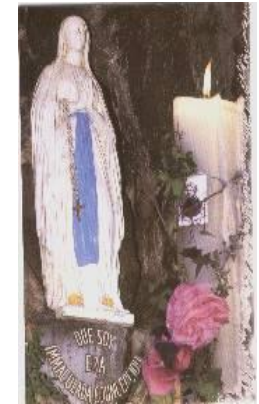
**28<sup>th</sup> August 2005**

## ***INVITATION***

***to a Mass in honour of  
Our Lady of Lourdes***

**on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September  
at 7.30 p.m.  
in the Church of St. Agatha**

*Fr John Gilligan,  
Director of the Dublin Diocesan  
Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be the celebrant.*



***All are welcome***

*especially those who contributed and collected for the Lourdes Invalid Fund, the Sick Pilgrims travelling from this parish, the parish group led by Sr. Bridget, helpers and Fr. Liam who is travelling as Chaplain to the Sick.*

***After the Mass you are invited to St. Agatha's Hall  
for light refreshments.***

### **Lourdes Invalid Fund**

At the end of Mass Fr. John Gilligan will be presented with the money collected throughout the summer for the Lourdes Invalid Fund.

This money will help send sick pilgrims to Lourdes during the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage from 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> September. The intentions of all who contributed will be prayed for at the Masses in Lourdes and placed in the Grotto. On the last day of the pilgrimage a candle will be lit for these intentions.

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

## Beginning soon - Rewiring of Church

The electrical rewiring of the church will begin during the month of September. Also - as decided at the Open Meeting of Parishioners last May a disabled toilet will be installed and access improved for wheelchairs and walkers at the front of the church. It is hoped that the church will then be ready for repainting. It is intended to keep the church open while the work is taking place. Further details will be published in the next Newsletter.

### *Legion of Mary Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Praesidium*



invite you to come and see a video on the founder of the Legion of Mary, Frank Duff, the Venerable Edel Quinn and Alfie Lambe

**in the Prayer Room  
in St. Agatha's Church  
on 13<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00 p.m.**

## Copper Coin Collection - Thank You

Thanks to all who collect their Copper Coins and give them to the parish. A special thanks to the collectors. The motto of the collection is "Every cent counts"- and they certainly have. Last year they all added up to €8,448 !!

*If your copper coins were not collected on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August please bring them to the church or ring sacristy 8554078.*

## Archbishop Martin approves St. Agatha's Parish Pastoral Council Guidelines



Archbishop Diarmuid Martin has approved the St. Agatha's Parish Pastoral Council Guidelines in a letter to Mary Irwin, Chairperson of the Parish Pastoral Council on the 12<sup>th</sup> August 2005. These guidelines were circulated to every home in the parish in April 2005 and were passed at the Open Meeting of Parishioners on 14<sup>th</sup> April.

In his letter Archbishop Martin writes "*I thank you and the members of your Parish Pastoral Council and the people of the Parish for your generous response to this diocesan pastoral initiative in working together for the mission of the Church and the work you have done to put these guidelines in place. I pray that your Parish Pastoral Council will be a fruitful instrument for renewal in evangelization, mission and service in your parish in the coming years. I trust that your Council will also be involved in fostering collaboration between parishes in working together for evangelization and mission.*"

*It is obvious that a great deal of time and effort has gone in to the preparation of most comprehensive Parish Pastoral Guidelines. They present a most encouraging vision for the future of the parish of St. Agatha."*

## ***Ireland's Biggest Coffee Morning in aid of St Francis Hospice***

You are invited to a coffee morning

- ▶ in the **Prayer Room** (in the sacristy)
- ▶ after the 9.00 and 10.00 am Masses
- ▶ on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September.**



By taking part in *Ireland's Biggest Coffee Morning* you will help St Francis Hospice to continue to care for patients and their families on the northside of Dublin. All proceeds will go directly to Hospice care in our area.

***By the way ..... please bring a friend!!***