

CONGRATULATIONS

On behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council we would like to congratulate Fr. Brian on his new appointment as Vice Postulator for the cause of the Venerable Matt Talbot. If you would like more information or would like to help promote the cause of Matt Talbot please contact

Fr. Brian at 01 8554078.



PARISH OF ST. AGATHA NEWSLETTER

29th August 2010

A FOND FAREWELL TO FR. PADDY

On behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council and all the people of the parish we would like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to Fr. Paddy Devitt on his appointment as Administrator to the parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Dalkey, Co Dublin.



Fr. Paddy has spent the last twenty two years as Parish Chaplin. He succeeded Fr. Fergus O' Higgins in 1988. Fr. Paddy lectured in Catechetics in Mater Dei Institute. During this time he was very much involved in the life of the parish. As a member of the Pastoral Council he was most generous with his time and advise.

His sermons will always be remembered as having that all important message given in an enjoyable way and easy to understand . He will be deeply missed by the many friends he made during his time here.

Fr. Paddy we wish you every Happiness and Blessing in your new appointment.

All Parishioners will have an opportunity to wish Fr. Paddy well in person on Thursday 23rd September after 7.30 pm Mass in St. Agatha' Hall. Those wishing to be associated with the presentation which will be made to him on the night are asked to leave their contribution in to the parish office as soon as possible.

SLÁN AGUS BEANNACHT!

Dan Moore

Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council



New Seminarians for Dublin

The Vocations Office kindly ask that you keep our 5 new seminarians in your prayers as they begin formation for the priesthood at this time. Four of our seminarians will begin formation in Maynooth this Sunday and a fifth will begin formation in a few weeks time in Valladolid in Spain. This new intake brings the number of seminarians in formation for the Dublin Diocese above 20 for the first time in over 15 years. This is especially encouraging given the challenging time we are living in. Our new seminarians are giving up a lot to put themselves forward for formation. It is not easy leaving a career, a home and a way of life to enter a seminary. They are to be commended. Please keep them in your prayers. Thank you to all who keep prayer for vocations high on your list of priorities. It is vital that we continue asking the lord of the harvest to send labourers into His harvest.

If you feel that you are being called to the priesthood, even remotely, then the Vocations Director, Fr Eamonn Bourke would love to hear from you. You can contact him in confidence and without any obligation at vocations@dublindiocese.ie or by txt/phone at 0868346071. You can also check out our website at: www.priest.ie.

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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On behalf of all our parishioners I would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Peter O'Driscoll our Musical Director and Organist on the recent death of his daughter Fionnuala.

May she rest in peace.

Fr. Brian

Pakistan Relief Assistance Thank You

The total contribution from our parish to the Pakistan Appeal was **€3080.00**. We continue to pray that the people of Pakistani will be able to rebuild their lives. Your wonderful generosity has been a beacon of hope and a sign of your solidarity with the people of Pakistan in the midst of their suffering. We remember also in our prayers the volunteers and organisations who are working with the people of Pakistan.



Mass of Our Lady of Lourdes

on

Monday 6th September at 7.30 p.m.
in the Church of St. Agatha

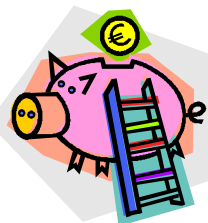
All are welcome

*especially those who contributed and collected for the
Lourdes Invalid Fund.*

TRANSLATING NEWMAN FOR TODAY
A PUBLIC LECTURE
BY FR MICHAEL PAUL GALLAGHER SJ
St Francis Xavier's Church
GARDINER ST
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 1st at 7.30 pm.
Admission free



Cardinal Newman, to be beatified by Pope Benedict in September, lived at 23 Dorset St for some time, and celebrated Mass each morning in Gardiner St church.



Copper Coin Collection Saturday 14th August 2010

The collection amounted to **€125**
for which we **THANK YOU**

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

Month's Mind Mass

We remember

Ann Murray and Annie Wright

whose Month's Mind Mass takes place this
Sunday 29th August 2010 at 10.30 a.m.

R.I.P

A big Thank You and farewell from St. Agatha's Parish



On behalf of all in St. Agatha's Parish I would like to express our thanks to Conor McCann our parish pastoral worker, who is leaving us to take up his position as parish pastoral worker in The Church of the Nativity of Our Lord, Beaumont.

Conor has contributed so much to the life of our parish, particularly his work with the children of our parish schools preparing for the sacrament of Penance, First Communion and Confirmation, and also with our Sunday Family Mass Group. Conor has also worked very hard on updating our parish website which is very much appreciated.

We wish him every happiness success and fulfilment in his new ministry.

Fr. Brian