Dublin City Strings School

Invitation to 1st Summer Concert

Niamh Kelly wishes to thank all those who have supported our musical development over the past year. Niamh, a niece of Luke Kelly, voluntarily teaches some boys and girls from the schools in this parish.



Niamh invites the parishioners of St. Agatha to hear the progress made by the students of the school on Saturday 19th June at 6.00 p.m. in St. Agatha's Hall.

European Food Banks Annual General Assembly

Crosscare is hosting the European Food Banks Annual General Assembly in All Hallows College this weekend.

The only food bank in Ireland is in the parish of St. Agatha - at 35 Portland Row.

The **Dublin Food Bank** was set up by *Crosscare* n 1989 to organise an effective redistribution of surplus goods donated by wholesalers, manufacturers and retailers. Up to 50 leading companies donate regular supplies of fresh food, cereals, frozen food, soft drinks and domestic cleaning materials.

Γwo full-time and two part-time staff manage the Food Bank along with many volunteers. The well known Food Bank van can be seen five days a week in the Dublin area collecting for the Food Bank.

In 2003 this Food Bank collected 570 tonnes of food and grocery products (capable of making over 1 million meals) to redistribute to other charities around the city.

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

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PARISH OF ST. AGATHA NEWSLETTER 30th May 2004

Fun Race Night

In CYMS Hall,
Philipsburgh Ave,
Fairview
On Friday 4th June
at 8.00 p.m.



Tickets €10

includes transport & light refreshments available in the Sacristy

Buses leave Church and Ballybough Road at 7.45 p.m.





Lourdes Invalid Fund 2004

Each summer our parish helps send sick people to Lourdes during the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage from 7th to 12th September. Last year the amount collected in our parish totalled €5,600

If you would like to help you can make a contribution at the back of the church any weekend - starting June and continuing for the summer.

The intentions of all contributors will be prayed for during the Pilgrimage Masses and placed at the Grotto.

Parish Pilgrimage 2004 to Armagh Cathedral

on Saturday 26th June

We will also visit:



Navan Fort - an ancient site of the Ulster Kings.



Omeath - Open air Stations of the Cross



Carlingford - King John's Castle and remains of the Dominican Priory.



Drive around the Cooley Peninsula



Dinner in Sportsman's Inn, Ravensdale.



Cost €30 Booking - Dan Moore or sacristy (phone 8554078)

Open Parish Meeting

that was held on Monday 24th May 2004

Decisions taken included:

- \Rightarrow To proceed with the rewiring of church.
- ⇒ To explore the possibility of painting the church.
- \Rightarrow The Active Age Group was launched.
- ⇒ To hold a *Fun Race Night* in CY Fairview
- ⇒ To apply to Share for €140,000 to repay the parish debt from re-pointing of the church.



Thank You

Trocaire Lenten Boxes €1,620 Education of Priests Annual Collection €603

Yes, Sister, our
Cathedral <u>IS</u> famous
for its decorative
gargoyles... but the
one you pointed out
is just the bishop
checking the roof til es!

Cemetery Masses

St Fintan's, Sutton 13th June

Balgriffin 20th June

Glasnevin 27th June

Fingal 27th June

Dardistown 4th July