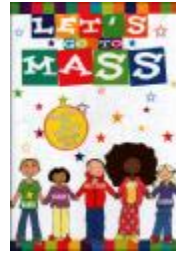


FAMILY MASS SUNDAYS — 12:00PM

THE FAMILY MASS TAKES PLACE EVERY SUNDAY AT 12 NOON. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP ORGANISE IT, JUST POP ALONG TO THE PARISH OFFICE ON SUNDAYS AT 11.00 A.M. OR YOU CAN CONTACT MAUREEN OUR PARISH SECRETARY ON **8554078**



PARISH OF ST. AGATHA NEWSLETTER

31st January 2010

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GOSPEL OF LUKE —LAUNCH

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin and Church of Ireland Archbishop John Neill launched on Monday 18th January a unique venture to spread the good news of the Gospel of Luke throughout their Dioceses. Over the coming weeks and months, specially commissioned copies of the Gospel of Luke, will be distributed widely. This is the Church Liturgical year of St. Luke and is the Gospel being read in churches throughout the year.



As part of the year of Evangelisation, this is the latest in a series of ecumenical initiatives spearheaded by both Archbishops. 100,000 copies of the Gospel of Luke have been commissioned for this project. It will be followed up with further resources to help people understand and pray the Gospel, including a DVD for families and children—"Luke the Book". Both churches are planning a joint youth pilgrimage to Taizé, the ecumenical place of prayer in France, is planned for later in the year.

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

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 Máirín our parish pastoral worker, who will be leaving us on Sunday to continue her pastoral training experience in the parish of Rowlagh , Clondalkin.

Máirín has contributed so much to the life of our parish, particularly her work with the children of our parish schools preparing for the sacraments of Penance , First Communion and Confirmation, and also with our Sunday Family Mass Group. Her enthusiasm and dedication has been an inspiration. Above all her wonderful smile and good humour always brightened even the dullest of days.

You will be missed, but remember that you will always be most welcome in St. Agatha's Parish.

We wish you every success and fulfilment in your Pastoral Ministry.

May the Lord who has begun the good work in you bring it to completion.

Month's Mind Mass

The Month's Mind Mass for parishioners who died during the month of December 2009 takes place today **Sunday 31st January at 10.30 a.m.**

We pray for the repose of the souls of :

Sarah Sheppard Noel White Patrick McCarthy
Theresa Carey David Hesnan May Finn
Ellen McCauley
R.I.P



Feast of St. Brigid Monday 1st February

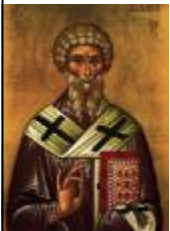
St. Brigid is the second patron of Ireland and is often known as 'Muire na nGael'.



The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple Tuesday 2nd February

This feast is also called '*Candlemas Day*' because candles are blessed and lighted this day on which Simeon recognised Jesus as '*a light to reveal God to the nations*'.

Candles will be blessed at the 9.00 and 10.00 a.m. Masses.
Candles may be purchased beforehand in the repository



Feast of St. Blaise Wednesday 3rd February

Throats will be blessed
after the 9.00 and 10.00 a.m. Masses.

Feast of St. Agatha Friday 5th February



Masses to celebrate our parish Patron St. Agatha, will take place at 9.00am and 10.00 a.m. with our Parish Choir

DUBLIN DIOCESAN WORLD DAY OF THE SICK 2010 CELEBRATION

MASS OF HEALING AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Sunday 7th February, 2010 at 3.00 p.m.
Church of the Good Shepherd
Churchtown, Dublin 14.

Main Celebrant

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, D.D.,
Archbishop of Dublin

ALL ARE WELCOME

HAITI EARTH QUAKE APPEAL



Currently the fund for Haiti from our parish amounts to €4625. This very generous response once again demonstrates your concern for the sufferings of others in our world. If you still wish to contribute you can leave your donation in the box at the back of the church.