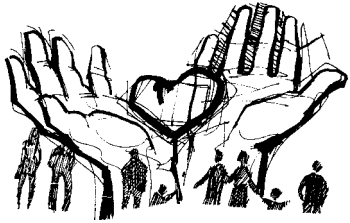


We would like to congratulate the
Boy's and Girl's from
O'Connell's and St. Vincent's schools,
who received the
Sacrament of Confirmation
last Wednesday, 30th May 2012.



Parish Retreat in your Every Day Life

Sunday 24th June – Saturday 30th June

Would you like to get to know yourself a little better?

Or find out who God really is for you?

Do you have burning questions about your faith, life, God?

If you answered 'yes' to any of these questions, why not take part in a retreat that is taking place in the parish in June? It is a retreat with a difference, as you don't have to go away to a quiet, beautiful place to find God. It is about finding God in your every day life, in all your ups and downs, by taking some quiet time each day on your own. You will meet with your very own spiritual 'guide' or 'soul friend' every day for 30 minutes, to talk about whatever thoughts and feelings come up for you during this time of quiet and stillness.

It may just change your life!!!! (if you allow it to!)

If you are interested, please fill out an application form (available at the back of the church). If you have any questions about it, talk to Pauline O'Shea, 087 3199310, or any of the parish team.

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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PARISH OF ST. AGATHA NEWSLETTE

3rd June 2012



The 50th International Eucharistic Congress takes place from the 10th to 17th June at the RDS

A Programme of Activities for everyone!

Hundreds of workshops, talks, cultural activities, liturgical celebrations and testimonies in the RDS Eucharistic Village. For all the details go to www.iec2102.ie

You are invited to join in our Parish Cluster Walk as we begin the Eucharistic Congress

Parish walk Saturday 9th June beginning at 2.00 pm at St. Joseph's Church, East Wall, visiting St. Laurence O'Toole, and Our Lady of Lourdes churches and ending in St. Agatha's

Closing Mass Croke Park 17th June 2012

A small number of tickets for the Opening Ceremony in the RDS and Closing Mass in Croke Park are still available. To book go to www.tickets.ie

Timetable

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Mon.11th— Fri. 15th, 10.30am to 7.00pm
Saturday, 16th 10.30am to 5.30pm

Monday 11th June

- 9.30 a.m. Mass—Lithuanian Community
7.30 p.m. Mass of Healing with Novena Prayers & Benediction.

Tuesday 12th June

- 7.30 p.m. Talk - *Learning Forgiveness* - *Professor Robert Enright*

Wednesday 13th June

- 7.30 p.m. Eucharistic Procession in RDS - *All are welcome*

Thursday 14th June

- 7.30 p.m. Presentation—*Matt Talbot and the Eucharist*
Fr. Brian Lawless Vice Postulator

Friday 15th June

- 7.30 p.m. Organ Recital—*Mr David Connolly*

Saturday 16th June

Masses at 10 a.m. and 6.00 pm Vigil

Sunday 17th June

Masses at 9.00 am 10.30 am and 12 noon.
Final Mass of Eucharistic Congress in Croke Park at 3pm
(Tickets only)

***We are all invited to join in the celebration of the
Eucharistic Congress in our Parish,
our City and from around the World.***

The Two Major Liturgies of the Congress: Opening Ceremony and Statio Orbis

The Opening Ceremony (Sunday 10th June, the Feast of *Corpus Christi*) will take place in the Arena at the RDS. The liturgy will include Mass and a colourful celebration of Irish Heritage, both cultural and spiritual. The ceremony will acknowledge the Gathering of thousands of people and extend a true Irish welcome to national and international pilgrims, featuring some 500 participants and some of Ireland's finest musicians and singers. We still have a limited supply of tickets.

The Closing Mass (Sunday 17th June) is the Liturgy on the final day of the Congress and will take place in Croke Park Stadium. The Mass will be celebrated by the Papal Legate. It is a time of pause (Statio) and come to terms with what it means to celebrate, receive and live the Eucharist. Thousands will gather together in celebration and song; bringing their deepening faith and understanding into their everyday lives. We have very few tickets left and expect to be sold out shortly.



***Let's Celebrate as we
welcome our visitor's from around
the world***

As the final Mass of the Eucharistic Congress takes Place in our Parish in Croke Park we encourage everyone to decorate the front of their homes with bunting and flags to welcome visitors from around the world.