BLESSING OF THE VEN. MATT TALBOT PLAQUE



As part of our Parish Mission Fr. Brian Blessed A Plaque to mark the birth place of The Venerable Matt Talbot, Which will be placed at Aldborough Court

The Inscription Reads

'Venerable Matt Talbot was born at 13 Aldborough Court On the 2nd May 1856 Labourer for Christ and the hope of those suffering from addiction Pray for us'

Next Copper Coin Collection Saturday 14th November 2010

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

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



Priests of the Parish

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PARISH OF ST. AGATHA **NEWSLETTER**

7th November 2010

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PARISH MISSION



We would like to thank St. Patrick's Community for giving our recent Parish Mission It was a wonderful week of grace and blessings for all in our parish

The Annual Mass for Deceased Parishioners will take place on Wednesday 17th November at 7.30 p.m. in St. Agatha's Church.

> May they Rest in Peace. Amen



All are most welcome

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Parish of St Agatha Statement of Income and Expenditure for year ended 30 June 2010 Audited by Hayden Brown Chartered Accountants

INCOME	30/06/2010 €	30/06/2009 €
Family Offering	45814	52,066
Tax Refunds	1194	9,898
Shrines	14984	14,777
Donations/Bequests	3195	66,626
Copper Collection	4729	7,060
Repository	4632	5,056
Special Events	-	7,310
Other	972	1,617
Share Assistance	82719	182,864
Total	158239	347,094
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EXPENDITURE		
Salaries	36718	40,650
Church Ancillary Expenses	439	6,078
Rent, Rates, Insurance	5687	5,844
Repairs and Maintenance	5752	18,264
Heat & Light	16327	19,167
Cleaning	498	500
Altar Supplies	4499	10,461
Missalettes	4448	4,448
Interest & Bank Charges	5867	23,556
Phone, Post, & Stationery	6296	15,000
Accounts Preparation	2033	2,033
Ceremonies, Conferences, etc	637	12,518
Sundry Fundraising expenses	598	10,245
Other	3342 2500	3,872
Special Collections Term Loan	79412	4,920 161 747
	19412	161,747
Total	175053	339,303
Net (Deficit)/Surplus	====== (16814)	===== 7,791
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Members of Parish Finance Committee

Christine Corry, *John Kelly*, Ken Langan, (*Chairperson*), Fr. Brian Lawless, Nial Ring, Fr. Tony Scully

Report from St. Agatha's Parish Finance Committee

On behalf of the Parish Finance Committee, I have pleasure in presenting the accounts for the year to 30 June 2010. These accounts are extracted from the audited accounts which have been certified by Hayden Brown, Chartered Accountants and submitted to Archbishop's House.

As you know, in recent years, we have been operating in a deficit, which was only disguised by a bequest that we received giving us what was, in effect, an artificial surplus. This year we have a real deficit totalling €16,814.

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The income figure has not been as healthy as in previous years. The Family Offering collection has dropped by €6,252 and that seems to be caused not just by the effects of the recession, but also by the sad loss of some of our strongest contributors. The tax refund scheme has also dropped, these are the taxes that the Church can reclaim from the Revenue Commissioners on contributions that are greater that €250 from parishioners.

The copper coin collection has dropped by almost a third to €4,729, but remains a reliable fundraising source for the parish.

Under Expenditure we have made savings under most headings, but of particular note is that under Interest and Bank Charges where, thanks to the Share Assistance, we have considerably reduced our annual bank charges. I am also glad to report that our Share balance has decreased from a debt of €451,000 to €371,000 at 30 June.

I want to thank all of those who have helped organise the Parish finances over the past year, particularly the members of the Parish Finance Committee. It is with great regret we have lost one of our founding members during the course of the year, Norrie McCann, who is a great loss not just to us, but to the Parish as a whole. I want to acknowledge the active participation at all of our meetings of the Parish Secretary, Maureen Grant. I also want to welcome two new members to the committee, John Kelly and Nial Ring. I want to particularly acknowledge the generosity of the Parish which has always been of the highest order. Even in these stringent times you will see from the Special Collections list that €35,132 was raised for collections for outside the Parish and these are documented with this newsletter. To you all our sincere thanks.

I am sorry to say that for the year ahead our finances do not look too good and we are expecting to make a deficit in the region of €6,000. The Finance Committee has been looking at ways to raise finance within the Parish and we hope to introduce a Parish Lottery before the end of the year. We hope that this will have your support and look forward to launching it in the near future. If you have any questions in relation to the accounts I will be happy to address them for you at any time and I can be contacted through the Parish Secretary.

On behalf of the Parish Finance Committee, I want to thank all of you who have contributed to the financial support of the Parish throughout the year and I look forward to your continued support.

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Ken Langan, Chairperson.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS JULY 2009 TO JUNE 2010

(collections for outside the Parish)

Share	11,354	Accord	652
Peter's Pence	735	Roomkeepers	540
Crosscare	828	St. Francis Hospice	1,043
Missions	775	Lourdes	7,225
Education for Priests	565	St/ Vincent de Paul	1,210
C.Y.C	650	Trocaire	1,945
Haiti	6,085	Eucharistic Congress	575
	TOTAL	€35,132	