## Centenary Light of Faith

As part of our Centenary celebrations you are invited to take the centenary light of faith to your home for a week.

If you would like to have a Mass in your house during that week or indeed anytime during the centenary year please contact our parish secretary Maureen or Fr. Brian Tel: 8554078



The Light of Faith will be on Ardilaun Square this coming week.

#### LIFE CAN BE

Difficult if you have a problem with reading and writing. Can you spare two hours a week (morning or evening) to help someone improve their skills.

TRAINING COMMENCES IN OCTOBER 2008.
Contact:- Marie Casey/Anne Stone Phone 8171990

Larkin Community College Champions Ave., Cathal Brugha St., Dublin 1.



Larkin Unemployment Centre 57-58 North Strand Rd., Dublin 3

# Coffee morning, In aid of St Francis Hospice Thursday, 18th September 2008

Join us after the 9.00am and 10.00 am Masses. Y our contributions towards this worthy cause are very much appreciated.

#### Thank You

The recent Copper Coin Collection amounted to €2,118 For which we are most grateful

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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# ST AGATHA'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

7<sup>th</sup> September 2008

### **CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS**



The Friends of St. Agatha's Executive Committee 1983

To mark the centenary of our Church an exhibition will be held tracing the history of the parish over the past one hundred years.

To make it as successful as possible, we need your help. We are looking for loan of some of your old photographs which we can copy and return to you within 3 days. Please be assured that the greatest care will be taken of these valuable items.



If you can help please contact Maureen our parisl secretary at 8554078 or call to the parish office a Morning, Monday to Friday from 9.am to 1pm.

We know that with your help our exhibition will a great success.



### **Lourdes Pilgrimage**

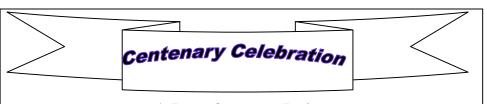
A number of parishioners are travelling with Sr. Bridget on the Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes to-day. We pray that they will have a safe journey and we know that the people of the parish will be remembered in their prayers.

#### **Lourdes Invalid Fund**

We would like to thank all those who contributed to this year's Lourdes Invalid Fund. The amount collected was €850 which once again was the highest amount received from any parish within the Dublin Diocese. Fr. John Gilligan, director of the Lourdes Pilgrimage expressed his thanks on behalf of the diocese the Lourdes Mass celebrated here last Monday.

### Year of Vocation

September has been designated as a month of prayer for Priests and Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Quoting St. Catherine of Siena, "If you are, what you are called to be, you will set the world ablaze." We encourage you to spend some time this month in prayer for vocations.



### A Date for your Dairy

As part of our Centenary Celebration a Social Evening will take place in Clontarf Castle on Wednesday 19th of November 2008.

#### More details to follow

## Tsunami Fundraiser Update

Close to one million people, most of them schoolchildren have benefited from the four million euro which was raised in the Archdiocese of Dublin in the wake of the Tsunami disaster of December 2004.

Archbishop Martin was informed by Trocaire that the entire fund has now been spent.

Archbishop Martin said he was happy to learn the money donated by the people of the Dublin Diocese had a direct impact on improving the lives of those worst affected, particularly young people.

The Diocesan funds were distributed by Trocaire in two ways. The first and biggest was through Caritas Internationalis - a network of 162 catholic humanitarian organizations. This included providing emergency supplies of food, water and shelter across Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India and Thailand.

The second course of response saw Trocaire dealing with local parishes and communities in setting up more long term projects. For example in Indonesia the money raised has helped fund the reconstruction of 65 schools and in Sri Lanka €900,000 of the Dublin fund helped rebuild 9 orphanages and 6,000 new homes.

Once again Archbishop Martin would like to thank all those who contributed towards the Fund. Your support has helped to saved many lives.

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