

Pilgrimage to Lourdes - September 2007

Sick Pilgrims Section

The Dublin Diocese is bringing 180 Sick Pilgrims to Lourdes from 7th to 12th September.

The Sick Pilgrims will be staying in the Accueil, which is close to the Grotto. They are cared for by voluntary doctors, nurses and helpers from all over Dublin. There are some helpers traveling from the Parish of St. Agatha to care for the Sick Pilgrims. Fr. Liam Rigney is one of the Chaplains to the Sick.

The subsidised fare on this section is €450. If some pilgrims are unable to afford some or most of the fare they are paid for by the *Lourdes Invalid Fund*. All applications are subject to consideration by the Pilgrimage Medical Board.



Parish Group

There is also a group of pilgrims from the Parish of St. Agatha traveling to Lourdes with the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage from 7th to 12th September. The group will be traveling with Joe Walsh Tours and staying at the Agena Hotel. The cost is €665 (based on sharing). The group leader is Sr. Bridget O'Connor.

If interested in traveling either as a Sick Pilgrim or with the Parish Group contact Fr. Liam Rigney at 8556474 or Sr. Bridget at 087 2389247

150th Anniversary of the Daughters of Charity in North William Street Parish



You are invited to join in this celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Daughters of Charity in North William Street Parish on Pentecost Sunday 27th May at 3.00 p.m. in the Church of St. Agatha. The celebrant will be Archbishop Diarmuid Martin

As part of the celebrations the Sisters are putting together a display of some of the history of the sisters working in the area. They are looking for old photographs and information/memories of the sisters working in the parish.

If you can help please contact any of the Sisters - Phone 8552998. All photographs will be returned.



PARISH OF ST. AGATHA NEWSLETTER

Easter 2007

Dear Parishioner,

You are invited to come to the parish ceremonies here in the Church of St. Agatha during Holy Week and Easter. Easter is the high point of the Christian year when we celebrate the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

If you have moved into the parish or if you have not been in the Church for some time you are warmly welcome.

The restoration of the Church which began in September 2000 is coming to completion and hopefully will be finished before the summer. The final part of the restoration project was the painting of the church - and what a difference the painting has made!! Thank you to all who are supporting the restoration.

We are blessed that the parish is gifted with such a lovely church building. We are also blessed with the *living stones* of the parish - the parishioners, the people who together are the parish.

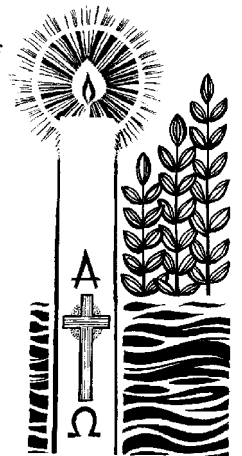
We now look forward to the celebration next year of the centenary of the church building which was opened in October 1908.

I wish you every blessing of Easter.

Yours sincerely,

Fr Liam Rigney

Fr. Liam Rigney, Adm.



Sick and Housebound of the Parish

Annual Mass for the Sick

Every person who is sick - physically, mentally or emotionally is welcome to be anointed at the Mass for the Sick **on Sunday 29th April at 3.00p.m. in the Church of St Agatha.**

If you require transport to this Mass please contact Sr. Bridget (087 2389247). Transport to Mass will be provided by *St John's Ambulance* and *Joe Barrett* minibus.

You are welcome for a cup of tea and light refreshments in St. Agatha's Hall

Holy Communion to housebound parishioners



Ministers of the Eucharist bring Holy Communion once a week to housebound parishioners. It can be arranged for a Minister to bring you Holy Communion in your own home on a weekly basis - at a time that suits you and the Minister.

If you are interested in this service contact Sr. Bridget 087 2389247

Parish Radio Link

The **Parish Radio Link** makes it possible for people who are housebound to listen to Mass and other ceremonies in the church on a daily basis. As well as listening to the Masses and ceremonies from this parish you can also tune into Masses and ceremonies from the neighbouring parishes - East Wall, Gardiner Street, Iona Road.

The cost of the Receiver is €30.

A number of receivers have been sponsored by parishioners for the benefit of housebound parishioners who may not be able to afford them.

If you are interested in purchasing a receiver contact Michael Pobjoy in the sacristy at 8554078.

Parish Newsletter

The parish newsletter is published regularly – usually once a month. If you do not already receive a copy please contact the sacristy at 8554078 to have your name included on the circulation list.

Fun Race Night Fun Race Night

in aid of the Church Restoration Fund

- ⇒ **In CYMS Hall,**
Philipsburgh Ave, Fairview
- ⇒ **on Friday 27th April**
- ⇒ **at 8.00 p.m.**
- ⇒ **Tickets €10**
- ⇒ **Tickets include**
*A Horse, Programme for Night,
Transport by bus & Light Refreshments*
- ⇒ **Tickets available in the**
sacristy - Phone 8554078



Come along and try your luck !!



***First Past
the Post***

*Use the missing
letters of the alphabet
to find the name
of the Winning Horse*