

Parish Newsletter

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



PARISH OF OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

*Mourne Road,
Drimnagh,
Dublin 12*

*Pastoral Area
Crumlin /Mourne
Rd. /Clogher Rd.*

MASS TIMES: SUNDAY:

*Vigil, 6.30p.m., 9.00a.m.,
10.30a.m. (Family Mass)
& 12 noon Choir*

*7.00p.m. Pastoral Area Mass
St. Agnes, Crumlin
10.00a.m.*

MONDAY – SATURDAY

*Morning Prayer: 9.40a.m.
each morning.*

*Confessions after 10.00a.m.
Mass Saturdays or on request.*

PARISH OFFICE

OPENING HOURS

*Monday - Wednesday
9.15a.m. to 1.00p.m.
& 2.00p.m. to 5.00p.m.*

*Thursday & Friday
(Closed both afternoons)
9.15a.m. to 1.00p.m.*

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FIG TREE

**We remember all those who
have died recently.**

Joanne Brennan,
Andrew Kavanagh, Jim Dowd,
Rita Conlan



We give our loved ones back to
you, O Lord; and just as you did
not lose them in the giving,
so we do not lose them in
returning them to you.

*Do you have a neighbour who is housebound?
Or do you know someone who might like to hear
what is going on in the Parish*

***We would like you to pass this Newsletter on to
them***

*Also, if you know someone who would like to have
Holy Communion brought to them in their home,
please contact the Parish Office.*

**A copy of the Newsletter
can also be downloaded
from the Parish website.
www.mourneroad.ie**



w/e 13th/14th January

Church Collections

1st Priests: €986.00

2nd Collection: €875.00

Envelope Collection

€1768.00

**TROCAIRE BOXES ARE
AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH.**



Lotto

PARISH LOTTO

Development Fund
There was no winner of last
week's Jackpot.

12 18 20 28

Congratulations to last week's winners of the
three €20 Prizes

Next week's Jackpot will be €2300.00

The Draw takes place on Tuesday morning
after 10 a.m. Mass in the Church Meeting
Room.

Entries for the Lotto draw each week must be
put into the safe in the church
by 11.00a.m. on Mondays.

All are welcome to attend the draw.



Lotto

What's on this week:

Choir Practise every Monday evening at 7.30p.m. in the Oratory

Legion of Mary Group meet every Tuesday at 2.30p.m. in the Church meeting Room

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society Rosary & Eucharistic Prayer every Thursday
morning from 10.30a.m.— 11.00a.m. in the Oratory. All are welcome

Eucharistic Prayer Every Friday 2.30-3.30p.m. in the Oratory. All are Welcome.

1st Saturday—5th March—**Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima** will take place after
the 10.00a.m. Mass



**Eucharistic Adoration takes place Monday to Friday
10.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Oratory.**



During Lent candles for "Healing & Renewal"

**are available at all Masses and from the Parish Office.
Offering €1.00**



STATEMENT OF ARCHBISHOP DIARMUID MARTIN ON VIOLENCE IN DUBLIN

I wish to repeat what I said on Saturday last condemning the extraordinary examples of
violence which have marked our city again in recent days.

"Violence is to be condemned whatever its roots are. Dismembering bodies as some
sort of warning is not sign of prestige or power but of despicable inhumanity. Premeditated shooting in
public places even in the presence of terrified children and innocent bystanders only degrades the
humanity of those who do it. They fail to see that such inhumanity inevitably rebounds on its own
perpetrators and never leaves them with the security they seek".

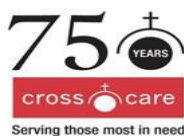
Now we are witnessing a further escalation of violence and brutal retaliation spurred on by people
whom I believe to be "despicable and cynical exploiters who feel they can treat life lightly"

Is there anyone – even among their own ranks – who can speak to these cynical hearts? Are there some
persons of wisdom – especially mothers and grandmothers who must fear that their children will be
dragged even more deeply into this spiral – who see the madness of such violence and who can appeal
to whatever humanity remains in the hearts of those involved? Every victim is some mother's son and
someone's loved one and is tragically mourned by a family.

The perpetrators are not idols or stars or heroes. They are criminals who threaten not just public order
but democracy and the rule of law and who have no care for anything except their own criminal
Interests. All of us have to remind them they are not untouchable. I appeal to anyone who has
information to cooperate with An Garda Síochána.- See more at: [http://www.dublindiocese.ie/
statement-on-escalation-of-violence-on-city-streets/#sthash.yTfrCE2J.dpuf](http://www.dublindiocese.ie/statement-on-escalation-of-violence-on-city-streets/#sthash.yTfrCE2J.dpuf)



**A Benefit Night in Memory of Patricia
Travers and Stephen Travers in aid of Our
Lady's Hospice & Care Services will take
place on Friday 26th February in the Green
Isle Hotel at 8.00p.m. Tickets €15.00 are
available from Anna Ui Neachtain,
085-7107065.**



**Crosscare celebrates its 75th Year of caring, in our name,
for people in most need in our Diocese. In the coming days
a Crosscare Parish Update will be available in the Church
detailing the current range of Crosscare services.**



A few years ago a friend of mine was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumour. Bill was a good man, very kind and generous with his time and his talents. And although he didn't have a lot of money (he was a teacher by profession) he was always ready to help out in any way that he could. As a middle-aged man, Bill was fairly healthy otherwise, and his diagnosis came as a shock to his family and friends. Most of us were left asking, "Why should such a cruel thing happen to such a kind man?" This is the very question Jesus confronts in the Gospel this weekend when he deals with tragic events in his time. A tower collapses and eighteen people are killed. Is this punishment because they were the most evil people in Jerusalem? Some Galileans are slaughtered while offering sacrifice. Have they somehow offended God, and so are now being called to account for their wickedness? Jesus says that the evil that befell them makes them no guiltier than anyone else. And, by implication, makes the rest of us no less guilty! Our sense of justice likes to have the punishment fit the crime. We expect that there will be specific consequences for individual actions, each wrongful act punished on its own merits. But the problem of evil is much greater than personal sinfulness. While we each have responsibility for our individual sins, we also carry the weight of human sinfulness. As Catholics, we call that original sin, but whatever title it is given, it is the recognition that there is at work in the world a greater sin than that which each of us may be personally guilty of. It is the sin of our race. Bill did not get cancer because he was a bad man. But illness, war, hatred, and every other evil are the things from which we seek deliverance. It is good that God is patient with us, like the gardener with the fig tree.



STATEMENT OF THE PONTIFICAL COMMISSION FOR THE PROTECTION OF MINORS

Cardinal Seán O'Malley, OFM Cap., President of the Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors, together with all the Commission Members, issued today the following statement on the obligation to report suspected sexual abuse to civil authorities:

"As Pope Francis has so clearly stated: 'The crimes and sins of the sexual abuse of children must not be kept secret for any longer. I pledge the zealous vigilance of the Church to protect children and the promise of accountability for all' (27 September 2015). We, the President and the Members of the Commission, wish to affirm that our obligations under civil law must certainly be followed, but even beyond these civil requirements, we all have a moral and ethical responsibility to report suspected abuse to the civil authorities who are charged with protecting our society."

Cardinal O'Malley's statement continued, "In the United States, our Bishops' Charter clearly states the obligation that all dioceses/eparchies and personnel report suspected abuse to the public authorities. Every year at our November meeting, at a training session for new Bishops, this obligation is reaffirmed, and every other February the Conference runs a second training program for new Bishops which also clearly and explicitly includes this obligation. As the Holy Father's advisory commission for the protection of minors, we recently shared with Pope Francis an overview of the Commission's extensive education efforts in local Churches over the past two years and reiterated the Members' willingness to provide this material at courses offered in Rome, including to the annual training program for new bishops and to the offices of the Roman Curia for their use in their own child protection efforts."

- See more at: <http://www.dublindiocese.ie/statement-from-pontifical-commission-for-protection-of-minors/#sthash.oDEHaSA5.dpuf>

Oasis of Mercy: You are invited into an 'Oasis of Mercy' for an evening of music, reflection, drama and prayer on Monday 22 February 2016 at 8.00 p.m. in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus, Drumcondra. Music will be led by the members of the Dublin Diocesan Music Group. You can also view on webcam – www.rednuns.com

St Agnes' Church Crumlin Novena of Grace & Parish Retreat for Lent. Conducted by the Order of Discalced Carmelites takes place from 4th to 12th March, twice Daily 10am and 7pm & Sunday 6th March (9.30am only) Theme for the retreat is "Merciful like the Father". All most welcome.

HYMNS



Entrance

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your love
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord
And where there's doubt, true faith in you

*Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope
Where there is darkness, only light
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving to all men that we receive
And in dying that we're born to eternal life

Recessional

*Be not afraid
I go before you always
Come follow Me
And I will give you rest*

If you pass through raging waters
In the sea, you shall not drown
If you walk amidst the burning flames
You shall not be harmed
If you stand before the pow'r of hell
And death is at your side
Know that I am with you, through it all

Blessed are your poor
For the Kingdom shall be theirs
Blest are you that weep and mourn
for one day you shall laugh
And if wicked folk insult and hate you
All because of Me
Blessed, blessed are you



"Your choir needs you".

Calling all would - be choir members. A warm welcome awaits you at Monday night 7:45pm rehearsal and Sunday noon Mass. The only requirements are the ability to stay in tune and a love of singing. For information contact Irene 087-050 4097.