Romania & Albania Projects

If you are a parishioner who is 18+ and regularly worship at St. Agnes or St. Aidan's you may like to help on our projects in Romania or Albania. There is a group that meets every first Saturday of the month at 6.30pm at **92 Adswood Road** (after 5.30 Mass).

Do you have a couple of hours to spare on Tuesday 4 March about 2 pm to clean and tidy up the Lady Chapel?

Many hands make light work!!



ACTA A Time for Dialogue

There is an afternoon of sharing and reflection at Bishop Eton, Fisher More Hall, Liverpool, L16 8NQ on Sunday March 2nd March 2pm—4:30pm. The topic is 'Dialogue in the Church: reflections from a pilgrim professor' and will include a presentation by Prof. John Sullivan who will share some personal insights into how life, faith and work relate to each other; refer to some experiences and controversies in the Church; reflect on the need for (and obstacles to) effective dialogue. www.acalltoaction.org.uk



A Lent Course Based on 'Les Misérables'

This Lent you are invited to a series of Lent reflections based on Victor Hugo's <u>'Les Misérables'</u>. Through discussion of some of the themes and principal characters we will explore the grace of

God, alongside our imperfect state and opportunities for redemption and healing. We are invited to reassess what we can do with our lives, both for ourselves and for those around us. We will start by showing the film at 7pm on Saturday 8th March in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly room at St. Agnes' - we will provide nibbles! The first reflection meeting will be on Tuesday 11th March and will be weekly throughout Lent. If you cannot make the film and would like to join us for the reflections only, limited DVDs are available to borrow—please contact Claire Ball.

St Agnes' Little Church

Sunday 2 March Janice and Carol Sunday 9 March Children's Mass



Children's Liturgy

There will be a meeting after mass on Sunday 2 March to decide on the programme for lent and the Easter Sunday service.

The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan





Sunday 2nd March 2014 Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

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Mission Statement of the Archdiocese of Liverpool

Taking to heart the last words of the Lord Jesus, we will go into the world and proclaim the Good News to the whole of creation.

Prayer Requests

For those who are sick or in special need of our Prayers

Dougie & May Hayhurst, Sue Johnson, Margaret Maguire, Bill Hall, John Hunter, Rose Bryan, Katie Nichols, Daisy May, Clare Deane, Martin Thomas, Craig Wilson, Pauline Campbell, Bill Jones, May Cooper, Tricia Robinson, Ryan Johnson, Brian Whiteacre, Barbara Shervall, Marie Keights, Ian Gordon, Marie Mills, Dorothy Kelly, Bernard Foley, Anne Maguire, Mary Parker, Maureen Lincoln, Mia Lewsey, Margie, June Hunt, Michael Williams, Terry Thompson, Maisy Eason, Rose Saunders, Dean Easton, Jim Rose, Anne Nolan, Jim Phillips, Lawrence McClintock, Nicky Allen, Joe Muraski, Christopher Massam, Marion Fallon, Betty Johns, Nel Jorden, Marie D'Arcy, Frank & Joan McCann. Vera Cummins, Rose Rimmer, Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess. James Soundie, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Tony Clintworth, Lynn McNabb. Aidan Morris, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maria Edge, Maureen McGurk, Vera Murphy, Sandra Rowley, Josie Campbell, Winnie Witter, Peggy Skidmore, Eddie Doran, Angela Fleetwood, Mary Organ, George Gibbons, Mary Fullerton, Rose Rawlinson, Marie Higgins, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Carol Atkinson, Brendan Reilly, Christine Lees, Jennifer Hewitt, Pauline Clegg, Joseph Hill, Susan McDougalle. Pat Madden, Eileen Mooney, Philip Gallagher, Jenny Pye, Carl Atkinson, Phil Ridler, Ursula Erfani Clare Pendleton, Mary Lyons, James Taylor, Victoria Hill-Edmundson. Dolly Morten, Jennifer McLaughin, Caelan McKeown, Michael McDonough, Arthur Jones, Margaret Flynn, Colette Wilson, Aaron Carmichael, Triona Bromwell, Geraldine Kelly, Brenda Cubells, Janet & Ray Cragg, Josie Tinsley, Maisie Pritchard, Marion, Rose Sankey, Kay McNeill, Linda O'Keefe, Geraldine, Roisin & Padraig McRory, Patrick McKeown, Wyn Graham, Margaret Murray, Margaret Sergison, Riley James Skeath, Anthony Winrow, Jimmy O'Neil.

There are a number of young adults in our parishes who are terminally ill at the moment. Please remember them and their families specially in your prayers.

Lately Dead

Charles Schruyers, Edith Rotherham, Margaret Nessworthy, Sandra Atherton,

Anniversaries

Eric O'Ginsky, Jim Evans, Nancy Cardwell, Paul Cardwell, Mary & Michael O'Hanlon

Sanctuary Lamps

This week 2nd March 2014

St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp - Eric O'Ginsky St Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp - Veronica Conley

Please ensure that details of your dedication are written on the front of the envelope and placed in the black post box in the Sacristy.

Please enter your Gift Aid Number if you have one. Thank you.



can be a good and productive anxiety if it proves to be a catalyst to rectify unjust distribution of goods.

The gospel does not advocate that disciples should be passive in the face of genuine need, simply tossing off a happy-go-lucky assurance that God will provide. It is more akin to Meher Baba's fuller saying: "Do your best. Then, don't worry; be happy in My love. I will help you".

The help that God provides is like that of a mother who could never forget her infant, as the first reading asserts. Likewise, the gospel speaks of God making motherly provisions by feeding and clothing not only her human children but also wild flowers and birds and grasses of the field. Since God is both fatherly provider, who sows and reaps, and motherly caregiver, who feeds and clothes, all that has come forth from the divine womb is tenderly cared for before their needs are even voiced. As children of the Creator, we too tend and nurture all life, taking every measure possible to bring more fully to birth God's kingdom and divine righteousness, letting go of worry and entrusting ourselves to the One who wills true happiness for all.

PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE

Talk to God about your worries. What response do you hear in prayer?

How does your care for the fragile creatures of Earth reflect God's tenderness for the children of her womb?

What is the meaning of "seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness"?

Suriname WCMAD-Mission Report 2014

Please note a comprehensive report for our parishioners, will be available to all next weekend. We hope you will enjoy reading it.



DON'T WORRY, BE HAPPY!



Shortly after Bobby McFerrin's hit song "Don't Worry, Be Happy" won the Grammy Award for Song of the Year in 1989, I was invited to Jamaica to give a workshop on the gospel parables. Everywhere I went, the song was playing, and people were wearing T-shirts with the

slogan, especially in the poorest barrios. I struggled to make sense of the irony: people living in grinding poverty with their smiling faces protesting happiness.

The saying "Don't worry, be happy" is attributed to Meher Baba, an Indian mystic and spiritual master (1894-1969), but it could just as well have derived from Jesus' words in today's gospel. Three times Jesus insists that disciples not worry, whether about life, food or drink, the body or clothing; and he urges reliance on Divine Providence.

How this instruction is heard and taken to heart depends on one's socio-economic position. To those who have all they need to eat, drink, wear and sustain their bodily health, Jesus gives a warning not to centre their efforts on accumulating more. Coupled with the introductory verses about serving God and not mammon, the gospel admonishes those who have enough of life's necessities not to give in to greedy desires that continue to escalate.

But what about those who are struggling just to survive, who truly worry about how they will feed their families? What good is it to voice assurances that God will provide? It would be especially pernicious if a person mired in poverty hears "O you of little faith" as an accusation that their neediness flows from their lack of trust in God.

The key can be found in verse 33, in which Jesus instructs his disciples, "seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things will be given you besides." When he focus of one's desires is on the right relations that characterise the reign of God, then those who have enough of life's necessities are not fixated on a quest for more. Rather, they cooperate with God in providing for those in need. Those who are poor can let go of their worries about survival and those better off can be released from anxiety that derives from enslavement to possessions. These are the kinds of worries Jesus invites disciples to let go of. Worry on the part of those who are comfortable about others who are struggling

Mass Intentions

Saturday 1st March - Feast of St David

St Agnes Mass 5.30 pm - Mrs L O'Keefe

Sunday 2nd March- Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Mary & Michael O'Hanlon

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Steve & Vera Sheridan

Monday 3rd March

St.Agnes 9.30 am – Celebration of the Word & Communion

Tuesday 4th March

St Aidan Funeral Service 11.00am—Charles Schruyers

St Agnes Requiem Mass 1pm—Margaret Nessworthy

SEASON OF LENT

St Aidan Mass 9.30am —Parishioners of St. Aidan

St Agnes Mass 7.30 pm - Martin & Sarah Coffey

Thursday 6th March

No Mass

<u>Friday 7th March - (Women's World Day of Prayer)</u>

St Aidan Requiem Mass 1pm - Edith Rotherham

Saturday 8th March

St Agnes Mass 5.30 pm - John Cullen

Sunday 9th March- First Sunday of Lent

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Frank Bayliss

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - John Murray, Kay Cameron-Till

Confessions

Saturday at St. Agnes 5-5.20 pm & Friday after 12 Noon Mass at St Aidan's (Until there is nobody waiting)

Please contact the Parish office if you would like an anniversary added to the Prayer List in the Newsletter. Thank you.



Tyler-James Mulcahy **Charles Edward Wainwright** & Melodie Rose Haynes

> Who will be baptised on Sunday 2nd March at St Agnes Church

Please remember these children and their families in your prayers.

Pastoral Meeting



The next joint Pastoral Meeting will be on 9 March at St Aidan's Church at 3.00pm.

Parish Collections

Sunday 23rd February St Agnes - £699.19 St Aidan - £357 19

January Standing Orders

St.Agnes - £901.00 St Aidan - £174 00

St. Agnes' team to count: 3 Thank you for your generous support

Baptism

St. Aidan's Baptism Preparation:

2nd Monday of the month in St. Aidan's church at 6:30pm

St. Aidan's Baptisms:

3rd Sunday at 10:30am 4th Saturday at 12 noon

St. Agnes' Baptism Preparation:

1st Tuesday of the month in St. Agnes' church at 7:30pm

St. Agnes' Baptisms:

1st Sunday at 12:30pm 2nd Sunday at 2pm

If you wish to have your child baptised, you must contact the Parish Office on 489 3085 and you will be booked into a preparation meeting.

Lourdes Pilgrimage.

Parishioners travelling to Lourdes in September will need to pay their deposits by 25 March. The deposit is £150 per person and cheques should be made payable to: Parish of St Aidan Places still available.

Holy Hour

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays from 11am -12 noon in St. Aidan's church. Please join us this Tuesday.

Rosary at St. Aidan's

The Rosary will be prayed on the 1st Sunday of the month at ** 4pm in St. Aidan's. All are welcome.

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Monday 9am - 12.30pm

Tuesday 9.30am - 12.30pm

Wednesday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Thursday 10am - 4pm

Friday 9am - 4pm

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Newsletter items by Thursday morning to Main Parish Office

New Email Address: agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk

For your information Parish Newsletters are posted on Parish Website every week.

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Parishes-of-stagnesstaidans.org.uk

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