

Parish Collections

St Agnes - £680.78
St. Aidan to follow

February Standing Orders

St. Agnes - £983.00
St. Aidan - £110.00

St. Agnes' team to count: Team 3

*Thank you for your
generous support*

The Retiring Collection (during Lent) after Mass is Lenten Alms

St Agnes Mission Boxes

Mission Boxes are due to be
emptied this month.

**The total collected
last year was £4,687.00**

Many thanks for your generosity

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Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall
want.

Gospel Acc: I am the light of the
world, says the Lord;
anyone who follows me
will have the light of life.

Gospel: John 1: 9-41

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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 11am (Deacon)
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 & 2pm
4th Sunday at 12.30pm (Deacon)

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.

Rosary at St. Aidan's

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



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2017



Wednesday 29th March

Reconciliation Service for all the First Holy
Communion children, St Agnes Church 7.30pm

Friday 7th April

WCMAD Fundraiser, St Aidan's Club

Wednesday 12th April

Chrism Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral

Sunday 16th July

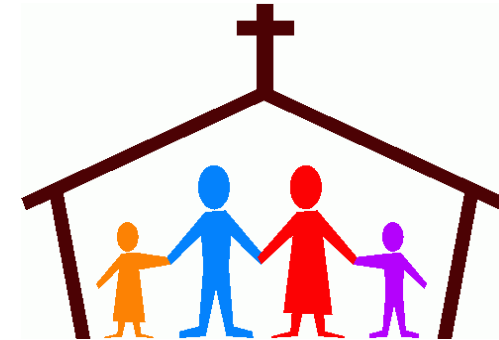
Parish BBQ, St Agnes

Friday 13th October

WCMAD Fundraiser, St Aidan's Club

The Parish of St Agnes and St Aidan

NEWSLETTER



26th March 2017

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Year A

Liverpool Roman Catholic Archdiocesan Trustees Inc.
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*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

Vera Cummins, Philip Bromwell, James Soundie, Mary Organ, Thomas Clegg,
 Daphne Flynn, Tony Clintworth, Aidan Morris, Maria Edge, Kay McNeill,
 Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Amy Adair,
 Phil Ridler, Eddie Doran, Sandra Rowley, Winnie Witter, Joseph Hill, Vera Jones,
 Rose Sankey, George Gibbons, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Carol Atkinson, Sr. Ann,
 Christine Lees, Susan McDougalle, Pat Madden, Marion, James Taylor,
 Philip Gallagher, Carl Atkinson, Ursula Erfani, Clare Pendleton,
 Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Wyn Graham, Josie Riley, Jennifer McLaughin,
 Caelan McKeown, Mary Davis, Jimmy Jones, Margaret Flynn, Aaron Carmichael,
 Triona Bromwell, Patrick McKeown, Maisie Pritchard Janet & Ray Cragg,
 Maisie Linda O'Keefe, Margaret Sergison, Nancy Evans, Collette Garlick,
 Anthony Winrow, Nick Gregory, Kathleen Hughes, Philip Malone, Anthony Wilson,
 Nathan Davies, Mrs Lynch, Ann Gavin, Roisin & Padraig McRory, Jerome Mitchell,
 Lawrence McClintock, Pauline Irvine, Peter Kelly, John Kennedy, Laura Mitchell,
 Tony Gavin, Josephine Phillips, Sophie Bond, Colette Martin, Jackie Anders,
 Jennifer McKeown, Christina Hill, Julie Bohanna, Philip Anders, Baby Sonny,
 Angela Smith, Alan McMahan, Graham Dawson, Kathleen Keenan, Kate Williams,
 Gerry Reid, Fiona Wilson, John Humphry, Rose Rawlinson, Marie Hunter,
 Michael Bruder, Tommy Swift, Nicholas Cragg, Sarah Doherty, Sheila Kinsella,
 Fr Ron McGivern, John McCormack, Eileen Critchley, Terry Martin,
 Fr. Bernard Higham, Michael Ryan, Stella Passey. Fr Simon, John Mulcahey,
 Hannah Leatherbarrow

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

May Teresa Rea and Teresa Shields

Anniversaries

James Patrick Middleton, Joan Francis Evans, Esther McGurk,
 Catherine & William Burns, Jimmy & Ella Watts and Denis Andrews

Sanctuary Lamps week beginning – 26th March 2017

St Agnes - Parishioners of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

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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.

PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

Main Parish Office:

St Aidan's

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Office Hours:

Monday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Tuesday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Wednesday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Thursday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Friday 9.00am - 4.00pm

All Enquiries to:

Tel/Fax: 0151 489 3085

St Agnes Church

82 Huyton Hey Road, L36 5SQ

For Mass Cards etc.

Tel: 0151 449 2209

Also available from
 St Aidan's Church 0151 489 3085

New Email Address:

agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk

For your information:

**Parish Newsletters are posted on
 Parish Website every week.**

New Parish Web Site:

www.stagnes-staidan.org.uk

**Newsletter items by Thursday
 morning to Main Parish Office**

PARISH CONTACTS



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'Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan'

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND APRIL 2018

We have now set a date for our parish pilgrimage to the Holy Land. This will take place from the **2nd April, 2018** for eight nights. Places are limited and if you wish to be part of this group you will need to pay a deposit of £250.00 by the end of April 2017. Cheques should be made payable to St Agnes Church or you may use cash if you prefer. Please submit your full name (as it appears on your passport), telephone number and e-mail address (optional) along with your deposit to the parish office.

N.B. This is a non-refundable deposit!

At present, we are still in consultation with the tour operators but the estimated cost of the trip will be £1200. This will include flights, half board and coach tours in the Holy Land. If you wish to pay the balance in instalments this can be arranged.

It is important you reserve your place before April 2017 as there are a limited number of spaces available.



WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

FASHION SHOW

To be held on **Friday, 23rd June 2017** at The Old Schoolhouse commencing at 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Tickets £5.00

All the proceeds from ticket sales, refreshments and raffle will go towards WCMAD
Tickets will be available soon but please keep the date for your diary.
Shop2Drop Ltd offer up to 75% on big names in sizes 8-20.



Welcome to the Parish
family of St Agnes and St Aidan



Percy Degnan Rowlands
who will be baptised at St. Aidan's
on Saturday, 25th March, 2017
and

**Alice Stephanie Heaps,
Elizabeth Sarah Heaps, Daisy Isabell Heaps
and Carter James Jarir**
who will be baptised at St. Agnes
on Sunday, 26th March, 2017

*Please remember these children
and their families in your prayers.*

SHARE Knowsley Appeal

We delighted that two of our families and three adults have received refugee status. This means that they will have to find new accommodation and will be in need of household items.

**We are appealing for kitchen items including:
crocery, pots, pans, utensils, baking trays etc**

St Agnes' Little Church



Sunday, 2nd April
Alison, Jo and Joanne

Sunday, 16th April
EASTER SUNDAY

Mass Intentions

Saturday 25th March - Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

St. Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Esther McGurk, Edmund Steven

Sunday 26th March - Fourth Sunday of Lent (Mothering Sunday)

St. Aidan Mass 9.30am - Sammy Alexander.

St. Agnes Mass 11.00am - Jimi Hynes, Denis Andrews

Monday 27th March

St. Agnes 9.30am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Tuesday 28th March

St. Aidan Holy Hour 11.00am - 12noon

Wednesday 29th March

St Agnes 7.30pm - **Reconciliation Service for all the First Holy Communion children**

Thursday 30th March

St Aidan 7.30pm - **Stations Of The Cross**



Friday 31st March

St. Aidan Mass 12 noon - Brendan Reilly

Saturday 1st April

St. Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Terry Kennedy, Joseph Curran

Sunday 2nd April - Fifth Sunday of Lent

St. Aidan Mass 9.30am - Molly and Charles McCloy

St. Agnes Mass 11.00am - Tony Gavin, Kay Cameron-Till

**Confessions: Saturday at St. Agnes 5 - 5.20pm & 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.*

Light is about seeing correctly

'The spiritual life is very much a matter of cleaning the lens, clarifying how you see.

Today's readings revolve around the theme of light and seeing things truthfully. Because humans cannot see their own truth very well, they do not read reality very well either. We all have our tragic flaws and blind spots. Humans always need more 'light' or enlightenment about themselves and about the endless mystery of God.' (R.Rohr)

'Many of us have made our world so familiar that we do not see it any more. It is an interesting question to ask ourselves at night: What did I really see this day? The human eye is always selecting what it wants to see and also evading what it does not want to see. The crucial question then is: what criteria do we use to decide what we like to see and to avoid seeing what we do not want to see?

It is a startling truth that *how* you see and *what* you see determines *how* and *who* you will be. An interesting way of beginning to do some interior work is to explore your particular style of seeing. There are many different styles of vision. To the fearful eye, all is threatening. To the greedy eye, everything can be possessed. To the judgmental eye, everything is closed in definitive frames. To the resentful eye, everything is begrudged. To the indifferent eye, nothing calls or awakens. To the inferior eye, everyone is greater, more beautiful, more brilliant, more gifted. The inferior eye is always looking away from its own treasures. It can never celebrate its own presence or potential. It is blind to its own secret beauty.

To the loving eye, everything is real. This art of love is neither sentimental nor naive. Such love is the greatest criterion of truth, celebration, and reality. Kathleen Raine, a Scottish poet, says that unless you see a thing in the light of love, you do not see it at all. Love is the light in which we see light. Love is the light in which we see each thing in its true origin, nature, and destiny. If we could look at the world in a loving way, then the world would rise up before us full of invitation, possibility, and depth.

The loving eye can even coax pain, hurt, and violence toward transfiguration and renewal. The loving eye is bright because it is autonomous and free. It can look lovingly upon anything. The loving vision does not become entangled in the agenda of power, seduction, opposition, or complicity.

Such vision is creative and subversive. It rises above the pathetic arithmetic of blame and judgment and engages experience at the level of its origin, structure, and destiny. The loving eye sees through and beyond image and effects the deepest change. Vision is central to your presence and creativity. To recognize *how* you see things can bring you self-knowledge and enable you to glimpse the wonderful treasures your life secretly holds.' (John O' Donohue)

Chrism Mass

This will take place at the Cathedral on **Wednesday (Holy Week) the 12th April.**

A coach will be booked. (there will be a £6.00 charge for this) If you are interested in attending this service could you please contact the office.

Congratulations to



Paula & Robbie Owens

who celebrate their

Silver Wedding Anniversary

on Saturday 25th March.

May God bless you both with many more years of happiness together.

Children's Reconciliation Service

Children taking part in the First Communion Programme

will celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation on

Wednesday 29th March in St Agnes Church at 7:30pm.

All children participating and their families are reminded to attend.

WCMAD Fundraiser

A fundraiser evening will be held on **Friday 7th April** at St Aidan's Club which will commence at 7.30 pm. Tickets will be available from this weekend at a cost of £2 for adults and 50p for children.

As usual, this will be a family evening with a shared table, an entertainer and a disco. There will be the usual array of great raffle prizes.

The funds raised at this event will be used to support our two projects



First Communion Preparation

Just a reminder of the next meeting dates.

Tuesday 25th April in the Old School House 6pm-7pm

Thursday 27th April in St Aidan's Club 6pm-7pm

Please ensure that if you would like your child to celebrate the Sacraments this year, they are expected to attend all 7 sessions and complete all 7 home sessions.

Children should also be attending Mass each week.