

### Becoming a Catholic

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic—or if you were baptised a Catholic but never made your Confirmation or Holy Communion - please make contact with Christine Ball or Fr. Anton (contact details in this newsletter).

Typically those interested begin to meet on a regular basis in September and are received into full Communion with the Catholic Church at Easter



### Romania & Suriname Projects

If you are a parishioner who is 16+ and regularly worship at St. Agnes or St. Aidan's you may like to help on our projects in Romania or Suriname. There is a group that meets every first Thursday of the month at 7.00pm at the **Presbytery 92 Adswood Road**. If you are interested, please come along!

*Next meeting will be on the 3rd of September*



### **Car boot/table top sales team ( WCMAD)**

We would like to thank Monica and Bryan Blois, Chris Westwater, Honor and Benny Ambrose, Veronica Akpogheneta, Mary O'Gorman and Maureen Rimmer for their constant commitment to the car boot sale held once a month at St Agnes. All proceeds go towards various expenses of our summer camp in Romania as well contributing towards our on-going support for the work of Fr Toon and Sr Egno in Suriname.



### **Year of Mercy**

The Year of Mercy runs from 8 December 2015 to 20 November 2016. There will be a mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral to mark the commencement of this dedication and if anyone would like to attend we can arrange a coach. Please contact the office or church so we can organise the appropriate sized transport.

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# The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan

## NEWSLETTER



**9th August 2015**  
**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary**  
**Time**  
**Year B**

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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**

Vera Cummins, Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess, James Soundie, Mary Organ, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Tony Clintworth, Aidan Morris, Maria Edge, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Vera Murphy, Sandra Rowley, Phil Ridler, Josie Campbell, Winnie Witter, Eddie Doran, Kay McNeill, Angela Fleetwood, George Gibbons, Rose Rawlinson, Marie Higgins, Mary Lyons, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Carol Atkinson, Christine Lees, Jennifer Hewitt, Joseph Hill, Susan McDougalle, Pat Madden, Eileen Mooney, Philip Gallagher, Carl Atkinson, Ursula Erfani, Clare Pendleton, James Taylor, Amy Adair, Rose Sankey, Marion, Dolly Morten, Arthur Jones, Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Jennifer McLaughlin, Vera Jones, Wyn Graham, Caelan McKeown, Michael McDonough, Margaret Flynn, Colette Wilson, Aaron Carmichael, Triona Bromwell, Geraldine Kelly, Patrick McKeown, Josie Riley, Janet & Ray Cragg, Maisie Pritchard, Linda O'Keefe, Margaret Sergison, Jimmy Jones, Margaret Murray, Geraldine, Nancy Evans, Sr. Ann Collette Garlick, Helen Stone, Roisin & Padraig McRory, Anthony Winrow, Philip Malone, Mary Davis, Nick Gregory, Kathleen Hughes, Anthony Wilson, Jerome Mitchell, Mrs Lynch, Nathan Davies, Lawrence McClintock, Moya Fleetwood, Pauline Irvine, John Kennedy, Dorothy Ireland, Kathy Mitchell, Jim & Josephine Phillips, Sophie Bond, Vera Conley, Colette Martin, Jennifer McKeown, Pat McGiveron, Christina Hill, Julie Bohanna, Edward Coffey,

**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

Pauline Fyfe, Mary Baxter, Christina Shaw-Baxter, Alan Lang, Paul Williams, Brian Halligan, Paul Joseph Williams

### Anniversaries

Pat Morrissey, Marie Riley, Paula Henrick, Margaret Tully, Joan Monaghan, Terry Burns, Francis D'Arcy, Rose Green, John Pugh, Cecilia Wilkes, John Gannon, Brian Jones

### Sanctuary Lamps Week beginning – 9th August 2015

**St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp - Parishioners of St. Agnes & St. Aidan**

**St Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp - Paul Williams**

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.**

### **Going Forward**

This week, let us taste and see and experience how good the Lord is. Let him be the primary food and nourishment of our lives.

### **Mary's Meal's (backpacks/school bags)**



We are once again welcoming your donations to this worthy charity which gives poor children in parts of Africa the opportunity to be educated and to provide them with at least one nourishing meal per day.

Please **only** donate the items requested on the list, which is at the back of church, as any other items may be removed at the sorting centre to avoid difficulties at customs and also when the bags are distributed in the villages.

The closing date for the items and/ or completed backpacks - to be returned to either church- will be Sunday the **13th September 2015**.

There will then be a celebratory Mass in Thanksgiving in September.

### MARY'S MEALS

List of items for Mary's Meal -backpacks

'backpack / school bag'  
exercise book / notepad  
pencil case with:

4 pencils, 4 pens  
Ruler, crayons  
pencil sharpener  
eraser

flip flops / sandals  
shorts and t-shirt (for a boy)  
dress or skirt and blouse (for a girl)  
towel  
bar of soap  
toothpaste and toothbrush  
tennis ball  
dessert spoon



## **Transcendence**

No one can come to me unless the Father...draws him. People felt drawn to Jesus for various reasons. Some came because of their hunger for bread, others were drawn by the hope of being healed physically and spiritually. Whatever their immediate needs were, he urged them to look at the deeper longings in their hearts, to seek the nourishment that lasts for ever, to search after the truth that sustains over the long haul, to yearn for what is authentic and permanent. He went on to say that those who take him at his word, believe in him and eat the living bread he gives, they already have the seeds of eternal life within them. Through the Eucharist the seeds of eternal peace, joy and freedom are already given. These seeds are the pledge of the abundant harvest yet to come. And so when we honour Jesus' words and "Do this in memory of me", our prayer of remembering gives us a sense of identity and also feeds our hope. The glimpses of true joy, of deep peace, of freedom and of life to the full are guarantees of the fullness of those gifts in the future.

Transcendence demands space, a suspending of the urge for immediate satisfaction. This, I think, is as true in the spiritual level as it is in the material level.

If the person is to get out of poverty a space must be created. Some portion of their income must be taken out and used for some form of production rather than for needs. As this is done the person will have more income for production and more production gives even more to spend on needs. The proportion of the whole income going directly into needs will be getting less and less.

The same can be said about prayer. If 100% of our prayer is directed to our needs we will never grow out of a "give me" type of prayer and get beyond the prayer of wanting. It is possible that everyone begins to pray primarily because of a wanting of one kind or another. This wanting may be for things or money, or success or power or, even for spiritual riches like being holy. But if one is to become free and grow, a space must be created in which one can just be before God. As one becomes comfortable in that space one will need less and less and be happy with what one has.

In today's Gospel Jesus challenged the people to let go of wanting and to create space for something higher. He invited them to stop clamouring for material things and to accept him, to interiorise him and his values as the bread of their lives. They used the flimsiest excuse for not believing him, "This man is the son of Joseph, isn't he?" Then Jesus tells them that they must be drawn by the Father to come to him.

All of us can fail to transcend. If our prayer is focused only on our needs there will be no space in which to hear ourselves being drawn by the Father. But if try to focus on meditating for a period every morning and every evening we may just hear the father call us to transcend. As we follow that call the joy of transcendence will exceed, while never eliminating, the joy of the fulfilment of need

**Ideas from: Father Gerry Pierce C.Ss.R  
and [galwaydioces.ie/reflection](http://galwaydioces.ie/reflection)**

## **Mass Intentions**

### **Saturday 8th August**

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Francis D'Arcy, Alan Lang

### **Sunday 9th August Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

St Aidan Mass 9.30am - Terry Burns, Paul Joseph Williams

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Pat Morrissey, John Gannon,

### **Monday 10th August—Feast of St. Lawrence Deacon and Martyr**

St Agnes 9.30am - Celebration of the Word & Communion

### **Tuesday 11th August -**

**St Aidan Requiem Mass 12 noon—Mary Catherine Baxter**

### **Wednesday 12th August**

St Agnes Mass 7.30pm - Connor Gillespie

### **Thursday 13th August**

No Mass

### **Friday 14th August**

**St Aidan Requiem Mass-1pm-Brian John Halligan**

**St Agnes Funeral Service 2pm—Christina Helen Shaw-Baxter**

### **Saturday 15th August -**

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Cecilia Wilkes, John Pugh

### **Sunday 16th August Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

St Aidan Mass 9.30am - Elizabeth Gardner

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Norma McCluskey

**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.**

### Parish Collections

**Sunday 2nd August 2015**

St Agnes - £686.59

St Aidan - £364.32

### **June Standing Orders**

St Agnes £977.50

St Aidan £350.00

St. Agnes' team to count: Team 2

**Thank you  
generous support**



*Welcome to the Parish  
family of  
St Aidan & St Agnes*

**George Henry Penn  
Cooper Samuel Tran  
Harry Ellison  
Ava James Hollett  
Amelia Ruddock  
Layla Stevenson  
Freddie Yeadon  
Gypsi Vaughan  
Alicia McClellan**

*Who will be baptised  
Sunday 9th August  
at St Aidan's/St Agnes Church  
Please remember these children  
and their families in your prayers.*

### **St Agnes' Little Church**

No little Church during August



### 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.



*Congratulations  
To  
Mark Simon McGee  
& Samantha Louise Clegg*

*Who were married at  
St Agnes Church  
On Saturday 8th August 2015*

*Please remember this couple in  
your prayers as they  
begin their married life together.*

### PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

#### Main Parish Office:

#### St Aidan's

**92 Adswood Road**

**L36 7XR**

#### **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 - 4pm

#### All Enquiries to

**Tel/Fax : 0151 489 3085**

#### St Agnes Church

**82 Huyton Hey Road**

**L36 5SQ**

*For Mass Cards etc  
(Church no. 0151 449 2209)  
Also available from St Aidan's  
Church  
0151 489-3085*

**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.**

#### New Parish Web Site

**www.stagnes-staidan.org.uk**

### PARISH CONTACTS



#### **SISTERS:**

#### **Helpers of the Holy Souls**

*Sr. Elizabeth - 0151 480 7904*

*Sr. MaryRose - 0151 482 6895*

#### **Sisters of St. Mary of Namur**

*Sr. Barbara - 0151 481 0968*

*Sr. Gabriel - 0151 489 1302*

*Sr. Louise - 0151 489-1302*

#### **Primary Schools**

*St. Aidan  
0151 477 8370*

*St. Joseph  
0151 489 4072*

*St. Anne's  
0151 477 8260*

#### **Parish Clergy (Parish Priest )**

*Rev. Fr. Anton Fernandopulle  
0151 489 3085*

#### **Deacon: Mike Whelan**

*St Aidan Parish Club  
0151 489 9024*

*St Agnes Parish Club  
0151 489 3990*

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