Dates for your diary

22nd June - 4 pm at St Aidan's

Corpus Christi procession

13th July - St. Agnes BBQ

31st Aug - St. Aidan's BBQ

17 Oct - WCMAD Fundraiser at

St Aidan's Club

Piety Stall

St. Aidan's and St Agnes' piety stalls have a lovely new selection of cards and gifts including Rosary Beads for Holy Communion and Confirmation. Please come and have a look!

Men's Rites of Passage

"The most significant 5 days of my life."

Radical, heart-thumping, liberating transformation."

"A total immersion into honest male truthfulness... truly a personal transformation."

"Deep, labyrinthine and magical."

Wednesday 23rd – Sunday 27th July 2014 Perth, Scotland - www.mrop.org.uk

You'll only ever do this once. Think you're ready? For more information, contact Fr. Richard on 449 0214

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



<u>Yoga</u>

There is no yoga this week but it will be continue from Wednesday 4th June in the

Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room at St. Agnes' on Wednesdays at 6.15 pm.

St Agnes' Little Church

1st June 2014
Carol and Janice
15 June 2014
Honor and Lesley

The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan





The Ascension Of The Lord Year A 1st June 2014

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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.



Praver 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, Mary Parker, Maureen Lincoln, Mia Lewsey, Margie, June Hunt, Michael Williams, Terry Thompson, Maisy Eason, Rose Saunders, Dean Easton, Anne Nolan, Jim Phillips, Lawrence McClintock, Nicky Allen, Joe Muraski, Marie D'Arcy, Christopher Massam, Marion Fallon, Betty Johns, Nel Jorden, Frank & Joan McCann. Vera Cummins, Rose Rimmer, Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess, James Soundie, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Tony Clintworth, Lynn McNabb, Aidan Morris, Maria Edge, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Vera Murphy, Mary Organ, Sandra Rowley, Josie Campbell, Winnie Witter, Peggy Skidmore, Eddie Doran, Angela Fleetwood, George Gibbons, Mary Fullerton, Rose Rawlinson, Marie Higgins, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Carol Atkinson, Brendan Reilly, Christine Lees, Jennifer Hewitt, Joseph Hill, Susan McDougalle, Pat Madden, Mary Lyons, Eileen Mooney, Philip Gallagher, Jenny Pye, Carl Atkinson, Phil Ridler, Ursula Erfani Clare Pendleton, James Taylor,

Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Dolly Morten, Kay McNeill, Jennifer McLaughin, Rose Sankey. Caelan McKeown, Michael McDonough, Arthur Jones, Margaret Flynn, Colette Wilson, Aaron Carmichael, Triona Bromwell, Geraldine Kelly, Brenda Cubells, Patrick McKeown, Janet & Ray Cragg, Maisie Pritchard, Marion, Linda O'Keefe, Margaret Sergison, Geraldine, Roisin & Padraig McRory, Wyn Graham, Margaret Murray, Josie Tinsley, Riley James Skeath, Anthony Winrow, Jimmy O'Neil, Philip Malone, William Stove, Martin Thomas, Sr.Ann Collette Garlick, Maureen Quinn,

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

Jim Casey, Richie Redhead.

Anniversaries

Marjorie Harris, Gloria Bradshaw, Pat Sandham, Joe Pottinger, Joyce Skuse, David Eaton

Sanctuary Lamps

This week 1st June

St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp - Vicky Taylor St Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp - Parishioners of St Aidan

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.



Another tension is evident in the reference to "eleven disciples". Disciples comprised a group larger than the Twelve, among whom were, most notably, the Galilean women who followed and ministered. While Matthew has depicted the women as apostles who are commissioned, he excludes them from the commission in today's gospel to preach to all nations. Already tensions regarding women's witness surface.

Difficult, too, was the shift to a mission that would extend beyond Israel. Until this point in the gospel, Jesus had insisted that the disciples go only to the "lost seep of the house of Israel". Now the directive is to go to "all nations". The troubles stirred up by this new mission were myriad. The question of how law-observant Jewish Christians would be able to eat with Gentiles was only the tip of the iceberg. To weather such turbulent transitions, both in those early days of the church and now, the one surety is that Jesus is always with us, as we step out on the word of God in trust.

PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE

Let Jesus lead you into the place where is always with you. How are you being asked to step out on the word of God? How does the Spirit's power propel you into unknown territory?

Congratulations...



To the children from St. Aidan and St Agnes parishes who will be receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion this weekend. Please remember all these children in your prayers.



WCMAD Raffle

We have a prize-winner named **Brian Dwyer** but no telephone number. If you ring the office we will be able to give you your prize. There are some dishes from the shared table which have also been left in the office.

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.

STEPPING OUT ON THE WORD



In her book *Wouldn't Take Nothing for My Journey Now*, poet Laureate Maya Angelou tells of her memory of her grandmother, who raised her in the little town of Stamps, Arkansas. She describes her as a "tall cinnamon-coloured woman with a deep, soft voice," who difficult life caused her to rely utterly on the power of God. Angelou envisioned Mamma

"standing thousands of feet up in the air on nothing visible", when she would draw herself up to her full six feet, clasp her hands behind her back, look up into a distant sky and declare "I will step out on the word of God". Angelou continues, "She would look up as if she could will herself into the heavens and tell her family in particular and the world in general, "I will step out on the word of God". "Immediately," Angelou recalls, "I could see her flung into space, moons at her feet and stars at her head, comets swirling around her. Naturally it wasn't difficult for me to have faith. I grew up knowing that the word of God has power".

In today's readings, we have similar images of Jesus taken up into the sky, having spent an earthly lifetime stepping out on the word of God, indeed, enfleshing that diving word. The disciples want to know if now is the time when he is going to restore the kingdom to Israel. They have hopes and expectations for the future fixed in past experiences of God's saving hand in their history. Jesus does not directly answer their question but points them to the power of the Holy Spirit, who will guide them to witness to his gospel courageously in new situations beyond what they can possibly imagine. As Jesus himself learned in his earthly sojourn, the *what* of the mission cannot fully be known but only the *Who* that is always with and within those who are willing to trust and to witness to the divine love.

In the gospel, the turbulence experienced by the followers of Jesus in the time of transition after his death is reflected in the narrative. "The eleven" calls to mind the painful reality that "the Twelve" are no more, as one betrayed Jesus and then ended his own life. Yet the thread of hope is sustained, as the story continues where Jesus' appearance to the women at the empty tomb left off. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary had seen and worshiped Jesus, and had been commissioned by him to tell the other disciples to go to Galilee, where they would see him. Today's gospel presumes that they have fulfilled this directive and the others have believed them, though nagging doubts persist.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 31st May Visitation Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

St Aidan First Holy Communion & Confirmation Mass 10.30am

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Cecilia Wilkes, Joan Bishop

Sunday 1st June The Ascension of the Lord

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Joe Pottinger Stephen Carmichael

St Agnes Mass 11.00am - Marjorie Harris, Nancy Smith

Monday 2nd June

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

Tuesday 3rd June

St Aidan Holy Hour 11.am-12 noon

Wednesday 4th June

St. Agnes 12 Noon Funeral Service Jim Casey

Thursday 5th June

St.Agnes Mass 7.30pm – Catherine McCafferky

Friday 6th June

St. Aidan Mass - 12 Noon - Sr. Ann Collette Garlick

Saturday 7th June

St Agnes First Holy Communion & Confirmation Mass 10.30am

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Gloria Bradshaw

Sunday 8th June- Pentecost Sunday

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Jim Rose, Pat Sandham

St Agnes First Holy Communion & Confirmation Mass 11.00am-

Esther & Daniel McGurk

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.



Welcome to the Parish family of St Aidan & St Agnes

Ruby Daly James Gareth Woodall Luke Thomas Galloway

Who will be baptised on Sunday 1 June at St Agnes Church

Please remember these children and their families in your prayers.

Remembrance Book

We have a Gold Book which is on the altar at St Aidan's to be used by both Parishes. If you have a member of your family/loved one who has died and you would like their name entered into the book, please speak to Pat McGiveron or ring the office on 0151 489 3085

Parish Collections

Sunday May 25th 2014

St Agnes - £642.01 St Aidan - £417.91

April Standing Orders

St. Agnes - £888..00 St. Aidan - £184.00

St. Agnes' team to count:: Team 4

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.

Holy Communion & Confirmation Dates

St Aidan's Church

31st May 2014 at 10.30am

St Agnes Church

7th June 2014 at 10.30 am 8th June 2014 at 11.00am 14th June 2014 at 10.30am

Please remember to keep these children and their families in your prayers

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Tuesday 9.30am - 12.30pm

Wednesday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Thursday 10am - 4pm

Friday 9am - 4pm

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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

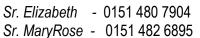
For your information Parish Newsletters are posted on Parish Website every week.

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Parishes-of-stagnesstaidans.org.uk

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