

Mary's meals

The Backpack project is a simple way of helping children from poor families in countries like Malawi and Liberia get to school. Very often the parents of the children Mary's meals support cannot even afford to buy the basic things like pens, paper, even suitable clothes for their children to wear to school. And so their children miss out on school and the education that can help them escape from the poverty when they grow up. This is a wonderful opportunity for our parish to make a real difference to the future of these children. Most people will already have many of these items at home.

If anyone would like to become involved please find the information at the back of church. If you wish to buy a backpack and fill it with the items required, that would be fantastic. However, you may prefer to donate either the bag or any of the items from the 'Wanted' list and we will do the rest. Second hand clothing/uniform items are perfectly acceptable provided that they are in good condition.

Donations can be left at Church or St Anne's school. School donations no later than 18/7/13, Church donations no later than the first Sunday in August.

For more information contact amanda.badger@talktalk.net
Have a look at the website to see the wonderful work they carry out: www.marysmeals.org



Mary's Meals will replace our usual 'Shoe box appeal'



Yoga

Yoga classes are held in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room at St. Agnes' on Wednesdays at 6.15 pm. All levels are welcome.

Dates for your diary

13th July - St. Agnes BBQ
31st Aug - St. Aidan's BBQ
17 Oct - WCMAD Fundraiser at St Aidan's Club

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.

St Agnes' Little Church

6th July 2014
Janice plus one other
13 July 2014
Youth Mass



The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan

NEWSLETTER



Sunday 13th July 2014
15th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Year A

Liverpool Roman Catholic Archdiocesan Trustees Inc.
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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,
 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 McLaughlin,
 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 & Pdraig 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, Kathleen Hughes,*

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

Annie Taylor, David Doyle,

Anniversaries

Francis D'Arcy, Vincent Larkin, Alfred Bowers, Pauline Burke, Stephen Page,

Sanctuary Lamps

This week 6th July

St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp - Parishioners of St Agnes and St Aidan
St Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp - Kim Bridge & Family



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.

Creator, who rested in order to delight in the goodness of all that had been made, while setting creation free to flourish. Woman Wisdom, also present at creation, shares in this unbounded joy.

When believing communities gather to share Sabbath rest, we celebrate the divine delight in creation and our participation in this recreative and liberation work of the Holy One, embodied in Jesus, who is Wisdom incarnate, intent on teaching the way that lifts heavy yokes.

PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE

Allow Jesus to speak to you as Woman Wisdom. What do you hear?

Reflect on how Jesus' gift of rest is linked to taking up his yoke.

How is your faith community working to life the yoke of injustice from those who are unjustly bound?

St. Agnes BBQ



St Agnes BBQ will be held after mass on Sunday 13th July. It will be a shared table so contributions of sausages and burgers to be cooked on the BBQ (along with buns and finger rolls) would be very much appreciated. Any other contributions for the shared table would be greatly accepted, such as cakes, crisps, pasta salads, sausage rolls, cup drinks, etc. If anyone has a Gazebo that they can bring to shelter us all from the Sun (or the rain) then that would be helpful. Any help to set-up from around 10am on Sunday would also be welcomed.

Fr Toon and Sr Egno, with whom we worked in Suriname, are visiting this week and will attend all the masses at the weekend. They will also join us for the BBQ.

There will be a small raffle for We Can Make A Difference.

Annual Outdoor Mass

Will be held at Yew Tree Cemetery on Sunday 13th July 2014 at 3.00pm. Please bring a chair and be prepared for all weathers!

Please try to come along!



LIGHT BURDENS

A mother balancing a child on one hip and a huge sack atop her head filled with items to sell in the market carefully makes her way through the crowded streets of La Paz. In addition to her physical load, she carries other burdens: economic stress, poor education, health challenges, racial discrimination. Like her sisters the world over, her daily life is characterized by valiant struggle against unimaginable obstacles.

When Jesus promises rest and an easy yoke in today's gospel, it is as if he knows precisely how such burdens feel. In this section of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus takes on the persona of Woman Wisdom, speaking with the words and images attributed to her in Proverbs, Wisdom, Sirach and Baruch. In the verses preceding today's gospel, the witness of both Jesus and John the Baptist is rejected, just as was that of Woman Wisdom. Jesus, identifying himself as Wisdom incarnate, concludes with the assertion, "Wisdom is vindicated by her deeds". This is followed by Jesus' denunciation of those towns that have rejected him. Today's gospel is the final section of this chapter, where Jesus, like Woman Wisdom, is a sage who reveals mysteries, interprets Torah and calls disciples.

Jesus, like Wisdom, invites disciples to take up his yoke, that is, his instruction. In other places in Scripture, "yoke" signified an oppressive burden unwillingly placed on the people's shoulders, like enslavement in Egypt or exile in Babylon. God breaks such weighty bonds and replaced them with the yoke of obedience to Torah. Similarly, to take up Jesus' yoke is to live by his interpretation of Torah. The lightness of Jesus' yoke is not a lax interpretation of Torah - quite the contrary! He teaches his disciples that merely keeping the law is not good enough; they must go further. If the law allows "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth", Jesus' disciples must instead try to short-circuit cycles of violence by taking nonviolent action that confronts evildoers, while praying for and loving such enemies.

Instead of being a restrictive and burdensome way to live, this teaching is freeing; it lightens burdens of oppression. This is the opposite of what some of the other religious leaders of Jesus' day do: "They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on the shoulders of others; but they themselves are unwilling to lift a finger to move them". By contrast, disciples of Jesus are yoked with him and with one another, intent on lifting the weight born of injustice from the backs of those who are downtrodden.

The rest that is promised by Jesus echoes that bestowed on those who let themselves be yoked to Woman Wisdom's teaching. It also echoes that of the

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5th July

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Denis Costa, Joseph Curran

Sunday 6th July Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Christina & Paul Williams

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Lilian McKenna

Monday 7th July

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

Tuesday 8th July

St Aidan - There will be no Holy Hour during July

St Agnes Requiem Mass 1.00pm - David Doyle

Wednesday 9th July

St. Agnes Requiem Mass 1.00pm - Hilda Logan

St Agnes Mass 7.30pm - Walter Downey

Thursday 10th July

No Mass

Friday 11th July - St Benedict OSB

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

Saturday 12th July

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Walter Downey,

Sunday 13th July Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Katie Nicholls

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Hilda Logan

Followed by BBQ

Confessions

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

Parish Collections

Sunday June 29th 2014

St Agnes - £694.81

St Aidan - £400.04

May Standing Orders

St. Agnes - £882.00

St. Aidan - £184.00

St. Agnes' team to count: Team 1

Thank you for your generous support

St Agnes' Altar Servers, Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

The new rotas for St Agnes altar servers, readers and Eucharistic Ministers are available for collection from the back of church. Thank you.

ACTA Meeting

There is an ACTA meeting in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly room on Tuesday 8th July at 7:30pm. If you are interested in issues affecting the Catholic Church in our times, please try to come along. More information about ACTA can be found at:

www.acalltoaction.org.uk



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.



Welcome to the Parish family of St Aidan & St Agnes

Joseph Harry Carmichael & Shay Edward Kerr

Who will be baptised on Sunday 6th July at St Agnes Church

Please remember these children and their families in your prayers.

PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

Main Parish Office:

St Aidan's

92 Adswood Road

L36 7XR

Office Hours:

Monday 9am - 12.30pm

Tuesday 9.30am - 12.30pm

Wednesday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Thursday 10am - 4pm

Friday 9am - 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.

Parish Web Site-

Parishes-of-stagnes-staidans.org.uk

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