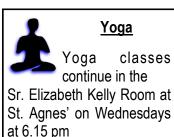


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Romania & Albania Projects

If you are a parishioner who is 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). A Message to Parishioners from the Sisters of Mother Teresa

(The Missionaries of Charity)

We wish to confirm that a charity named 'Mother Teresa's Children Foundation' is in no way associated with the work of the Missionaries of Charity and has not been founded by Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

We do not know how this charity operates or how its funds are being spent and it is not authorised to use the name or image of Mother Teresa.

ASYLUM LINK MERSEYSIDE (ALM) is holding a Musical Evening on Saturday 1st March at 7pm at St Anne's, Overbury Street L7 3HJ. There will be performances by St Julies School Choir, guitarist Mark Pountney, Hope University's Voices of Hope, Allerton Brass, L8Sings, singer and keyboard Hayli Kincade and the Oriel Singers. Tickets £5 from ALM Overbury Street or cheques payable to ALM or email info@asvlumlink.org.uk

> St Agnes' Little Church Sunday 16th February Lesley and Jean Sunday 23rd February Janice Shields and 1 other

St Agnes' Readers and **Eucharistic Ministers**

The rotas for St Agnes readers and Eucharistic Ministers will be available for collection this weekend from the back of church.

Marriage and Family Life

Celebratory Mass with **Bishop Tom Williams**

Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King

Sunday 16 February 2014 at 11.00 am

All Welcome: See posters in the porch

The Parishes of **St Agnes and St Aidan**



Sunday 9th February 2014 Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

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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.

<u>Prayer Requests</u> 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, John Pollard, 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, Jim Poland 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, Kenny & Maisie Pritchard, Marion, Rose Sankey, Kay McNeill, Linda O'Keefe Geraldine, Roisin & Padraig McRory, Patrick McKeown, Wyn Graham, Margaret Murray, Margaret Sergison.

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

Eileen Casey, Marie McKenna, Baby Harry Langton, Baby Pippa Bradshaw,

Anniversaries

Mary Plumbley, Norma Fargin, Mary Murray, Robert Grierson, Mary Quinn, Joe Pottinger

Sanctuary Lamps

This week 9th February 2014

St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp - Parishioners of St.Agnes & St.Aidan St Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp - Parishioners of St.Agnes & 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. and to season the world with the good news.

The accompanying image of disciples as light reinforces the message. As impossible as it is for a city set on a mountain to be hidden, and as unthinkable as wasting fuel to light a lamp only to extinguish it immediately, so inconceivable is it that disciples would cease to let their light shine before others. Although trials and tribulations may threaten to dilute disciples "saltiness" or dim their light, nothing is ever able to take away their capacity to illumine God's love for others.

Finally, salt and light are most effective when they do not call attention to themselves. Just as in well-seasoned food the salt is not noticeable and in a properly lit room the lamps are not the focus of attention, so disciples' good deeds do not redound to themselves but lead others to glorify God.

PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE

Talk to Jesus about things that threaten to dilute your "saltiness" as his disciple.

How does Jesus help you keep your light burning brightly?

How do your good deeds point to the Source of light and not feed your own glory?

A Call to Action (ACTA)

"We are a national group of Catholics, some of whom are ordained, brought together by our love of Christ's church and our anxiety about its future. Still inspired by the Second Vatican Council we want to contribute fully to the life of the church so that we may be a more effective sign of the Kingdom of God. To do this, we believe



that an atmosphere of openness and dialogue both with each other and with our bishops needs developing. We desire to help create a climate of trust and respect for all, where this dialogue may be fostered."

An ACTA group made up of Catholics from the dioceses of Liverpool and Lancaster have been meeting together for the last year and are now of sufficient numbers to hold separate meetings. The first Liverpool meeting will be held in the Sister Elizabeth Kelly meeting room on Tuesday 18th February at 7:30pm. If you are interested in meeting with other concerned Catholics and finding out more, please come along.



UNDILUTED AND UNDIMMED

Today if we say someone is "the salt of the earth," we understand that person to be solid and dependable, someone who can be counted on through thick and thin. We might also say that someone's speech is salty to mean

that their language is coarse, like that of a sailor who has been out to sea for a long time and who has not had to be concerned about using polite expressions in refined company. But when Jesus said to his disciples that they were the salt of the earth, they might have understood the metaphor in light of several biblical connotations.

First, salt was a critical necessity for human life, along with water, fire and iron. Salt was important for seasoning and preserving food. Job questions, "Can that which is tasteless be eaten without salt?"

A second way in which salt was important was for liturgical functions. It was included with cereal offerings and burnt offerings. Blending salt with incense kept the fragrant powder pure and sacred. Salt was what Elisha used to purify a polluted spring of water. In Catholic liturgical tradition, the baptismal ritual included putting salt on the infant's tongue, as a symbol of incorruptibility.

Another way in which salt was used was to ratify covenants. As a preservative, salt symbolised the lasting nature of the agreement.

Finally, different kinds of salts are necessary for the soil to be fruitful, but soil that has been "burned out by sulphur and salt" is a desert wasteland. As a symbol of permanent destruction, conquerors would spread salt on a city they had razed. As Jesus called his disciples "salt," they may have understood any of these meanings: they would season and purify the world with God's love, giving witness to divine fidelity that preserves life for all eternity.

Jesus then queries, "But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned?" it seems like a trick question. Salt can be diluted but could it ever lose its taste entirely? It is possible that Jesus was quoting an ancient proverb to which disciples would respond. "Impossible!" In the Talmud there is an account of Rabbi Joshua ben Hananya who was asked by philosophers in the Atheneum at Rome, "If salt becomes savourless, with what can it be salted?" he responded, "With an after-birth of a mule". The point is that just as it is impossible for a mule to give birth, or for salt to become insipid, so disciples cannot cease to be who they are

Mass Intentions

Saturday 8th February

St Agnes Mass 5.30 pm - Rose & Joe Sankey Sunday 9th February Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Mary Murray, Jean Brailsford St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Catherine Lodge

Monday 10th February - St Scholastica

St.Agnes 9.30am – Celebration of the Word & Communion <u>Tuesday 11th February</u> St Aidan Holy Hour 11.00 am to Noon <u>St Aidan 1.30pm Funeral Service Baby Pippa Bradshaw</u> <u>Wednesday 12th February</u> <u>St Agnes Requiem Mass 12 noon - Marie McKenna</u> St Agnes Mass 7.30 pm - Vera Anderson, Margaret Flynn <u>Thursday 13th February</u>

St Agnes 10.15am Funeral Service Baby Harry Langton

Friday 14th February - St Cyril and St Methodius

St Aidan Mass 12 Noon - Norma Fargin

Saturday 15th February

St Agnes Mass 5.30 pm - Patrick McKeown, Wyn Graham Sunday 16th February Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Joe Pottinger St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - James Costello

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



Welcome to the Parish family of St Aidan & St Agnes

Georgia Angela Burdett Frankie George Kennedy & Reece James Kennedv

Who will be baptised on Sunday 9th February at St Agnes Church

Please remember these children and their families in your prayers.

Parish Collections

Sunday 2nd February St Agnes - £819.58 St Aidan - £344.93

December Standing Orders St.Agnes-£892.50 St Aidan-£208.00

St. Agnes' team to count: 4 Thank you for your generous support

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.

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, vou must contact the Parish Office on 489 3085 and you will be booked into a preparation meeting.

Thursday Club We are looking for volunteers for the Thursday Club at 7.30pm. This is a social gathering of people with special needs held at St Aidan's church. If you are interested for more details please contact the parish office 489 3085 on.

Holv Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdavs from 11am -12 noon in St. Aidan's church.

Please join us this Tuesday.

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