

The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan

NEWSLETTER



Sunday 12th August 2012
Nineteenth Sunday of 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

Dougie & May Hayhurst, Sue Johnson, Margaret Maguire, Bill Hall, John Hunter, Paul Roberts, John Roberts, Rose Bryan, Katie Nichols,

Daisy May, Claire Bruder, Clare Deane, Martin Thomas,

Craig Wilson, Pauline Campbell, Kathleen Ross, Tricia Robinson, Ryan Johnson,

Brian Whiteacre, Barbara Shervall, Gerard Taylor, May Cooper, Marie Keights,

Ann Paterson, Ian Gordon, Marie Mills, Dorothy Kelly, Bernard Foley, Anne Maguire,

Mrs. Symonds, Mary Parker, Maureen Lincoln, Mia Lewsey, Margie, Shirley Wozencroft,

Michael Williams, June Hunt, Terry Thompson, Maisy Eason, Brenda Cubells,

Rose Saunders, John Pollard, Lily O'Neill, Dean Easton, Lawrence McClintock,

Albert Wilson, Nicky Allen, Bill Jones, Christopher Massam, Jim Phillips, Joe Muraski,

Marion Fallon, Betty Johns, Frank & Joan McCann, Vera Cummins, Rose Rimmer,

Philip Bromwell, Anne Nolan, Pauline Burgess, Joan Monaghan, James Soundie,

Marie D'Arcy, Jean Brailsford, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Tony Clintworth, Baby Aidan

James Morris, Lynn McNabb, Claire Waldron, Jim Rose, Kay Vaughan, Wendy Paveley,

Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Vera Murphy, Sandra Rowley, Ann Jones,

Josie Campbell, Jack & Winnie Witter, Peggy Skidmore, Fr. Jim Webb, Nel Jordan.

Baby Eddie Anthony Doran., Emma Davies, Angela Fleetwood, George Gibbons,

Maria Edge, Mary Fullerton, Rose Rawlinson, Karan McGurk, Averyll Fairfield,

Tony Logan, Hilda Logan, Mary Organ, Michael Quirk., Carol Atkinson, Vicky Taylor,

Brendan Reilly, Christine Lees, Jennifer Hewitt, Pauline Clegg, Joseph Hill,

Susan McDougall, Mike Bagan

We also remember all those mentioned in St. Aidan's Prayer Diary.

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

Molly Simmins, Josephine Lowton, Charles Donnelly, Thomas O'Brien, Paula Hendrick

Anniversaries

John Pugh, Ellen Daly, Jimmy Sheehan, John & Susan Walsh, Michael Thomas,

Terry Burns, Marie & Frank Lang, Julia Keogh, Margaret Tully.

Sanctuary Lamps

This week 12th August 2012

St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp— Parishioners of St Agnes

St. Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp—Suzanne Mulcahey

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.



St. Aidan's Parish Centre

Memberships available

Tuesday: Slimming World

10.00-11.00am & 6.30-7.30pm

(Michelle 07940181515)

Country Night 7.30pm

Wednesday

Bingo at 1pm

Quiz Night

Thursday

Bingo 7.30pm

Zumba 6.30-7.30pm (£3)

Function room for hire Friday, Saturday and noon Sunday. Provide your own catering or ask for a quote.

All enquiries contact:

Jacqui on 0151-489-9024



Fourth Dimension Shop

Do you have a couple of hours free during the week?

If so the Fourth Dimension Shop in the village is in need of new volunteers and would love to hear from you. The shop is an ecumenical charity founded to raise money through the sale of goods and refreshments to assist in developing countries and to meet the needs of our own area. If you are interested in helping, please contact:

The Fourth Dimension Shop in Huyton Village 482-0044

St Agnes' Parish Centre

New Memberships available

Mon/Tues—Darts Night

Thursday—Pensioners Club, 1pm-3pm

tea and coffee Bingo/Raffle

Bingo 7:30pm

Saturday evening—live entertainment in the lounge

Sunday—Country & Western night.

The Concert /Function room is available for hire on Friday & Saturday evenings, weekday afternoons & Sunday afternoons.

All enquiries contact:

**Justyna on 0151-489-3990
07757594951**



Nugent Care

Donations of good quality clothes can be left at the back of either church after Mass or handed in to the office. They are also **collecting any type of currency** (coins or notes) including old English and Euros. The money is then sorted, bagged and sent to a coin exchange. So if you have any left over holiday money—please dig it out, however little!

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

Missing Parishioners...

If you have noticed somebody missing from Mass for a period of time, please let the office know. Sr. Margaret has designed a card to send out to people, telling them that they are missed and inviting them back. People stop coming to church for all sorts of reasons and it is nice for them to know that the community is thinking of them and praying for them.

Joint Parish Youth Club



The youth group is for those of secondary school age and meets on Thursday evenings in the Sr. Elizabeth meeting room at St. Agnes' from 7-9pm. Entrance is 50p and there are refreshments available to purchase. Please join us!



Marie Curie Helper Service Liverpool

Volunteer Marie Curie Helpers needed
Can you spare just a few hours a week, ideally on a weekday Monday-Friday to help provide company, emotional support and practical information to terminally ill people and their families at home?

No previous experience is needed.
Training, travel expenses and ongoing support are provided. For more details of this volunteer helper role please email volunteering@mariecurie.org.uk or phone 08453052191 or go to www.mariecurie.org.uk/helper

Suggestion Boxes



There are suggestion boxes at the back of St. Agnes' church (by the statue of St. Agnes) and in the foyer of St. Aidan's church. If you have any suggestions, comments or feedback, please feel free to put them in the box.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 11th August

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm– Tess Hall

Sunday 12th August Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

St Aidan Mass 9.30am–James Catterson

St Agnes Mass 11.00am –Julia Keogh

Monday 13th August

St Agnes 9.30am Celebration of the Word and Communion

St Aidan Funeral Service 2.30pm—Thomas O'Brien

Tuesday 14th August

No Mass

Wednesday 15th August—Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

A Holy Day of Obligation

St.Agnes Mass 7.30pm– Neta Lang

Thursday 16th August

No Mass

Friday 17th August

St Aidan Requiem Mass 11am - Paula Hendrick

Saturday 18th August

St Agnes 5.30pm– John Pugh

Sunday 19th August Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

St Aidan 9.30am– Michael Thomas

St Agnes 11.00am.– Rev Peter Holmer, Margaret Bradigan & Mary Worsley

Confessions

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

Please Note

All Mass Intentions have been filled until October 2012 for St.Agnes and St. Aidan. Thank you

PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

Main Parish Office:

St Aidan's
92 Adswood Road
L36 7XR

Office Hours: Monday 9am-4pm

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

Hours: Friday - 1pm — 4 pm

(Church no- 0151 449 2209)

Also available from St Aidan's
Church

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

PARISH CONTACTS



SISTERS:

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Sr. Barbara –228-2239

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Primary Schools

St. Aidan

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St. Joseph

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St. Anne's

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Parish Clergy

Parish Priest

Rev. Fr. Anton Fernandopulle

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'Parishes of St Agnes and St
Aidan'.

Mary led us in 'choir practice' as she taught us all a song about Father Abraham. The drama day is usually on a Friday but this was changed as we were departing for the UK on Friday evening. We also had to finish early today as the sisters needed to be home in time for a prayer meeting. It was also decided how many of the children would be joining the trip to the beach on Friday.

At times, we were confused about some of the arrangements but we slowly realized there was order in the Albanian method of doing things. So we eventually learned to forget about the way things are done in the UK. When we returned we celebrated Mass in one of the chapels in the Seminary. During this Mass we listened to 'Circle of Life' by Elton John as part of our meditation and shared our personal reflections of what we had experienced today.

Day 7: 03/08/12

We set off this morning in two coaches to pick up the group for the beach trip. We had been advised to bring along our own packed lunch and enough water for the day. We met up with a number of residents from the Mother Teresa's Sisters orphanage who were staying near the beach for a week along with Spanish and Italian helpers.

The children had a wonderful time from the moment we arrived. It was yet another very warm day. It was great to see the happy face of God in the happiness of children. At times kids spoke to us in Albanian and we just nodded and they were happy we were listening though we did not understand. After a great time on the beach it was time for us to say good bye to the Mother Teresa's Sisters, the teenage volunteers (animators) and the kids from the village. Many shed tears as we left the village.

We got back to the Seminary as quickly as possible to pack our bags and clean the rooms we had been occupying. We left the Seminary around 8pm and arrived in Tirana the capital of Albania around 9.30pm. We spent the night at the Caritas house and left around 3am to the Mother Teresa Airport. We arrived in Stanstead airport around 10am and thanked God for all that He has done through us and for us while in Albania.

We hope and pray that many more volunteers will be inspired to join us on our next two week summer camp in 2013. This is a very rewarding and worthwhile way to spend part of the summer and all for the Glory of God

We managed to borrow a tarpaulin which we attached to the fence to give the little ones some shade and we also bought a huge sheet which Bryan ingeniously rigged up for the same purpose.

The children enjoyed a variety of games today. They were thrilled with the skipping ropes even though they had no idea how to use them at first, but after some instructions they began to improve. At the end of the day, we came together with the youth leaders, and the sisters to discuss how to organize the next day's events and also shared what things had worked and how we could improve, but even though there was a bit of a language barrier, we communicated quite well with the animators, despite the age difference. Once we arrived back in the Seminary we all were very tired due to the heat. Our group then celebrated mass this evening (which always inspires us) so we were able to talk about how we were lifted by the events we had seen or participated in.

Day 5: Wednesday the 1st of August

Realizing that the children needed drinking water, we set up a system with a table filled with small bottles of water. These were replenished throughout the day from a nearby tap which was out of bounds to the children.

Today the children had fun playing water games and the winners were given prizes we had brought from England

At the end of today's session, just like every other day all the groups gathered together to say a few short prayers, then the helpers distributed snacks and juice drinks to each child to ensure that they had something to eat that day. There is no guarantee that there would be a meal available to them once they got home.

Day 6: Thursday 2nd August.

We walked to the camp today, rather than wait for the minibus, thus enabling us to be fully organized by the time the children started to arrive – they are coming earlier each day and are keen to help us set up the benches.

One of the things that upset some of our group members earlier in the week, was how certain children were sent out of the summer camp even though they did not appear to have been that naughty. It transpired that there had been disputes in the evenings and this was carried over to the next day so they would be sent out to the 'sin bin' for a certain time before being allowed back in. As the week progressed this proved to be an effective deterrent as the 'sin bin' times became shorter.

Today we started to rehearse what the children would be doing for their drama day. Each group had to come up with an idea which tied in with the Abraham/ Faith Year theme. .

Parish Collections **Sunday 5th August**

St. Agnes £ 916.57
St. Aidan £ 327.57

Standing Orders: June 2012
St. Agnes £971.00
St Aidan £140.00

St. Agnes' team to count:
This week team 2



Welcome To the Parish
family of
St Aidan & St Agnes

Evie Joan Alice Whitehurst

Who will be baptised on
Sunday 12th August 2012 at
St. Agnes Church

Please remember this child and her
family in your prayers.



Congratulations to

*Jonathan Corcoran &
Cherilyn Scott*

*Who will marry on 18th
August in St. Agnes'
church.*

*May you be blessed in
your lives together.*

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Visit our Facebook page to see **photos of the parish trip to Albania**. You will find us at : 'Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan'. Please 'like' the group to access information and photos from the parishes.

If you do not want your child to appear on our FB, please contact the office.



Summer Camp in Romania

Fr. Anton and a number of Parishioners will be leaving on Sunday for **Romania** to help with the children's summer camp from the 12th August – 20th August in Homorodu de jos– Satu Mare.

Please pray for the success of this mission.

Report from the summer camp in Shkodar, Albania

Day 1: Saturday 28th July

The day started very early after setting off from Huyton at midnight. Bryan did a brilliant job driving us, non-stop, in St Aidan's School minibus to Stanstead Airport where we met up with Ronnie, Mary O'Gorman's sister.

Our good luck began at the check-in desk where the BelAir security attendant, who happened to be from Shkodar in Albania, showed a lot of interest in our mission to Shkodar. We were then checked in altogether, as a group. Our luggage was amalgamated and went through without a hitch, even though we were over-weight! The icing on the cake was being given the best seats, with extra leg room, at no extra charge!

We landed in Mother Teresa International Airport in Tirana around 1pm local time. We were greeted by 35c heat! After gathering our luggage and changing some of our sterling into local currency(Leke), we were greeted at the gate by The Missionaries of Charity Sisters (Mother Teresa Sisters). We all piled into their minibus and set out on a one and a half hour journey north, to our destination of Shkodar. We were welcomed to the Seminary by Fr. Martin (a lecturer from England based at the Seminary here in Shkodar). This was to be our residence during our stay in Albania. Fr. Martin helped us with some local knowledge to guide us through any pitfalls.

We then visited the convent of the Missionaries of Charity (M.C.), which was only a few minutes walk away, and met up with the youth helpers (animators). After introducing ourselves, discussions were held on what we should expect at the summer camp.

We spent some time this evening sorting out all the supplies which had been very generously donated not only by our own parishioners but also by the wider community in Huyton, and divided them into summer camp material and donations to the residents of the M.C. Sister's orphanage.

Day 2: Sunday the 29th July

Today some of us awoke at 4.00 am to the sound of local monks chanting; calls to prayer from the local mosques; followed by the roosters at 5:30; with two sets of church bells joining in at 7.00am; the latter continued for the rest of the morning! We went for a walk around Shkodar which is the biggest town in northern Albania and also the nearest to Montenegro.

We met up at the M.C.Sisters'convent at 4pm and set out for the place where the summer camp would be held. This is the home of one of the volunteers which has a football pitch area around the back. The land was generously made available for this purpose.

We helped arrange the benches for the first outdoor mass at this venue, which was concelebrated by Fr Anton and Fr Francesco (*an Italian priest based in Shkodar*). We felt quite privileged to be present at this special occasion. The entire Mass was in Albanian but we were able to follow it fairly well as we had brought Mass sheets from home.

Day 3: Monday 30th July

We walked down to the convent at 8am to drive over to the summer camp site in Kiras, a large, high, meshed –fenced, dusty football pitch area. We all wore rose coloured T-Shirts we had bought from ASDA the day before we left and were easily noticed by people wherever we went. This proved to be a stroke of genius as the young Albanian animators all had coloured T-shirts to distinguish their teams. A large number of excited children arrived at the summer camp this morning. We introduced ourselves to everybody present and were welcomed by all with open arms.

Fr. Anton gave a short reflection based on the Faith of Abraham which was translated by Sr. Marylene. The Sisters had decided to use the story of Abraham as it would also appeal to the large number of Muslim children present. As there are children of different faiths especially Muslim and Christians, using the story of Abraham was a way of bringing all of them together. We were reminded by the young people and the Sisters that this is the Year of Faith.

After the prayers and reflections we divided the children into three groups based on their ages, to ensure that everyone stood a fair chance with the games. The young leaders/animators were very good and enthusiastic and were an inspiration. They often played a song about Albania sung by Gzim Nika and also a few Portugese pop songs by the famous young Brazilian singer Michel Telo, whose songs have become famous at carnivals, not just in Brazil, but also in Europe. We were very impressed by the dancing abilities of the young animators. We often thought of our own young people in our two parishes back home and wished they could meet these inspiring youngsters.

Day 4: Tuesday 31st

The sisters and Fr Anton both gave reflections. Fr. Anton's reflection was translated back to the children in their own language once we were in our groups. Following this we organized various games relative to age, in different parts of the field, which we had previously divided into sections according to the space needed for each game.