

### OFFERTORY ENVELOPES/ STANDING ORDERS

The boxes of offertory envelopes for the new financial year are now available for collection from the back of the church. They are arranged in alphabetical order of names. Please help by collecting yours today.

These envelopes are important in that they provide a regular form of income for our two parishes.

However last year a number of our parishioners indicated that they would like to switch to making their offerings by using standing order payments from their bank instead of using envelopes.

This form of offering is particularly helpful and can be arranged very easily. If you would like to make your offering in this way either fill in one of the green application forms at the back of church or ring the parish office on 489 3085 or Peter McLindon on 489 0536

Thank you

### Thursday Club

We are looking for volunteers for the Thursday-Club held at St. Aidan's Church at 7.30pm. This is a social gathering of people with special needs.

If you are interested for more details please contact the parish office on: 0151-489 3085

### St Agnes' Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

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

Thank you

### Page references for Mass

Sunday 20th March 2016

Readings: Page 599, 626

Psalm: My, God, my God, why have you forsaken me

Gospel Acc: Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names

Gospel: Luke 22: 14-23, 56

Preface: Page 834

### 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

# The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan

## NEWSLETTER



**Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord**

**20th March 2016**

**Year C**

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**

Vera Cummins, Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess, James Soundie, Mary Organ, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Tony Clintworth, Aidan Morris, Maria Edge, Kay McNeill, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Amy Adair, Phil Ridler, Sandra Rowley, Josie Campbell, Winnie Witter, Eddie Doran, Joseph Hill, Vera Jones, Angela Fleetwood, George Gibbons, Rose Rawlinson, Marie Higgins, Jennifer Hewitt, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Carol Atkinson, Christine Lees, Susan McDougalle, Pat Madden, Philip Gallagher, Carl Atkinson, Ursula Erfani, Clare Pendleton, Marion, James Taylor, Rose Sankey, Dolly Morten, Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Colette Wilson, Wyn Graham, Jennifer McLaughlin, Josie Riley, Caelan McKeown, Michael McDonough, Mary Davis, Margaret Flynn, Aaron Carmichael, Triona Bromwell, Geraldine Kelly, Patrick McKeown, Jimmy Jones, Janet & Ray Cragg, Maisie Pritchard, Linda O'Keefe, Margaret Sergison, Nancy Evans, Margaret Murray, Geraldine, Sr. Ann, Collette Garlick, Anthony Winrow, Nick Gregory, Kathleen Hughes, Philip Malone, Anthony Wilson, Nathan Davies, Roisin & Pdraig McRory, Jerome Mitchell, Mrs Lynch, Ann Gavin, Lawrence McClintock, Moya Fleetwood, Pauline Irvine, Peter Kelly, John Kennedy, Dorothy Ireland, Laura Mitchell, Jim & Josephine Phillips, Sophie Bond, Colette Martin, Jackie Anders, Jennifer McKeown, Pat McGiveron, Christina Hill, Julie Bohanna, Philip Anders, Baby Sonny, Angela Smith, Alan McMahon, Eva Roberts, Graham Dawson, Tony Gavin, Nikki Hamner, Tony McCarthy, Kathleen Keenan, Jane Blakemore, Grace Fernando, Patrick Georgeson, Robert Williams, Angela & Gerry Reid, Joseph Cashman, Kate Williams, Tom Malone, Vera Conley

**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

Maureen Eccleston

### Anniversaries

Terry Fielding, Margaret Vaughan, John Downie, David Hughes,

### Sanctuary Lamps Week beginning – 20th March

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

### St. Aidan's Parish Centre

Memberships available

#### Monday

Slimming World

3.30 pm, 5.30 pm & 7.30 pm

#### Tuesday:

Slimming World 9.30 am, 11.30 am

(Michelle 07940181515)

Country Night 7.30 pm

#### Wednesday

Bingo at 1 pm, Quiz Night

#### Thursday

Bingo 7.30 pm

#### Sunday

Cabaret Night

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**

### St Agnes' Parish Centre

New Memberships available

#### Tues

Darts Night

#### Saturday

Evening live entertainment in the lounge

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**

### FOOD BANK

Could any donations for the Food Bank be left at the back of either Church please. Thank you for your continued Support!

### Lourdes Pilgrimage - 12-17th September 2016

As in the previous year we will fly directly from Manchester to Tarbes (Lourdes Airport) and we will be staying in the same hotel, the '4\* Hotel La Solitude'. The pilgrimage is for five nights. The cost, including meals, will be £609.00 per person sharing a double room. If you are interested please contact the office on 0151489 3085 or enter your name on the list at the back of church.



(All intending to travel please pay a deposit of £250 before Sunday 1st of May)

## Thank You

***“Brothers and sisters, you are sent from this assembly to bring the Word of God and the Bread of Life to the sick and homebound members of our parish family. Go to them with our love, our care and our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and gentle healer.”***

A Big Thank you to the 'Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist'/(Eucharistic Ministers) who regularly visit the nursing homes/housebound parishioners. On behalf of the parishioners of Sts Agnes and Aidan we thank you for your time and effort as you take with you not only the sacrament we have celebrated, but also the Word of God which we have heard, as well as the affection of our parish community.

*Fr. Anton and the parishioners.*

Welcome to the  
Parish  
family of St Aidan & St  
Agnes



**Brooke Olivia Sparks**

*Who will be baptised at  
St. Aidan on Sunday 20th  
March*

*Please remember her and  
her family in your prayers.*



## 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 project in Romania. 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!

## Missing Parishioners

As parishioners we need to be aware that if we don't see anyone for a few weeks we should find out what has happened. Sometimes it is due to the fact that a bus route has changed and it's time and no longer ties in with the mass times. Please contact the office as soon as possible if you become aware of anyone who has not been seen for a while and we will make arrangements for someone to keep in touch with them if they so wish.

## Quiet During Services

It is a strength of our parish communities that we are friendly and welcoming. We do need to be aware however that during the Mass, we are in the presence of Christ in a special way. Please help us to create a quiet, respectful and prayerful atmosphere during services in both churches.

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday 19th March - Solemnity Of St. Joseph Spouse Of The Blessed Virgin

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Jimmy Ross, Special Intention JD

### Sunday 20th March – Palm Sunday Of The Passion of The Lord

St Aidan Mass 9.30am - Thomas James Pearson, Jennifer Hewitt  
St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Eileen Gannon, Terry Fielding

### Monday 21st March

St Agnes 9.30am Celebration of the Word and Communion

### St Aidan 7.30pm Reconciliation Service

### Tuesday 22nd March

St. Aidan Holy Hour 11-12 pm

### Wednesday 23rd March

### St Agnes Funeral Service 1.00pm - Maureen Eccleston

**No Mass** (Chrism Mass at Cathedral at 7.30pm)



**Holy Week**

## HOLY TRIDUUM

### Holy Thursday 24th March - Evening Mass of the Lords Supper /Maundy Thursday

St Aidan 7:30pm - - Mass of the Lord's Supper/Washing of Feet

### Good Friday 25th March (Celebration of Christ's Passion)

St Aidan 10am Stations of the Cross followed by Walk of Witness

St Agnes 3pm Celebration of Christ's Passion



### Holy Saturday 26th March (Easter Vigil)

St Agnes Mass 8.30pm - Easter Vigil – Mary Cullen, Edmund Steven & Anita Cooke

### Easter Sunday 27th March

St Aidan Mass 9.30am - Parishioners of St Agnes St.Aidan, John Downie  
St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Denis Andrews, Jimmy & Ella Watts

**Confessions:** Saturday at St. Agnes 5-5.20 pm & Friday after 12 Noon

Mass at St Aidan's (Until there is nobody waiting)

### Take a look around at everything in your heart. What do you see?

St. Mark's gospel tells us that at the end of the donkey ride, when the shouting is over and the last cloaks and palms have been thrown down, Jesus enters the temple, looks around at everything, and then leaves. It's a strange and anticlimactic ending to what is known as the triumphal entry. Maybe, however, it's necessary. If that's what Jesus does maybe we should too. Maybe we need to look around at everything before we go any further into this week.

Jerusalem was the centre of Jewish life. It was the centre of the religious, social, political, and economic structure. The temple stands at the centre of the centre. It is the heart of Jewish life. That means that when Jesus entered the temple and "looked around at everything" he was looking into the very heart of the people. Isn't that what this Lenten journey has been about?

Take a look around at everything in your heart. What do you see?

Where does it hurt? What's the pain? In what ways are you heartbroken? Are you carrying guilt? What are the sins, things done and left undone, that chain you to the past? What are your regrets? Is your heart fearful? What scares you? Are you so overwhelmed by life that it feels like you are drowning and you just want to escape? Is there self-hatred or condemnation? Do you see broken relationships? Is your heart filled with loss, sorrow, grief? What parts of you are dying? Where is your life overcome by darkness? Who are the loved ones that have died and you miss? What is the disease of your heart? Take a look around at everything in your heart. That's what Jesus did.

I don't think he just looked around at everything, turned away, and then left. I think he looked at everything so that he might take it with him and carry it through this holy week. So must we. Jesus left nothing behind. We mustn't either. What we refuse to look at and bring to this week cannot be healed, cannot be restored, renewed, re-created, or resurrected. So what will you carry into this week? What will you bring and offer?

The triumphal entry is not about the donkey ride, the palms, or the hosannas. The triumph is in taking a look around at everything and leaving nothing behind.

Michael K. Marsh

### Please Note - Re: Fundraisers

This is to clarify the position regarding fund-raising for charity in our two parishes: Whilst we appreciate there are many worthy causes in need of assistance, we MUST restrict our own parish collections and fund-raising events to the WCMAD (We Can Make A Difference) projects, Mary's Meals, Refugee Appeal and Lyndale Centre only.

If any individual or group wishes to aid any other charity or cause, they should do this privately and not on church premises or via the Tea Clubs.

Thank you, Fr. Anton

### Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan EASTER 2016

<b>Palm Sunday</b>	19 March 2016	St Agnes	5:30pm Mass
	20 March 2016	St Aidan	9:30am Mass
		St Agnes	11:00am Mass

#### Reconciliation Service

21 March 2016	St Aidan	7:30pm Service
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<b>Holy Thursday</b>	24 March 2016	St Aidan	7:30pm Mass
	(Mass of the Lord's Supper/Washing of Feet)		

<b>Good Friday</b>	25 March 2016
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<b>Stations of the Cross</b>	St Aidan	10:00am
	followed by the Walk of Witness	

<b>Good Friday Service</b>	St Agnes	3:00pm Service
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<b>Holy Saturday</b>	26 March 2016	St Agnes	8:30pm Easter Vigil
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<b>Easter Sunday</b>	27 March 2016	St Aidan	9:30am Mass
		St Agnes	11:00am Mass

### Refugee Appeal Update (SHARE)

A big thank you to Mrs. Keating (Head teacher) the children and staff at St. Anne's Primary, Huyton for supporting the Banana/fruit appeal. We also would like to thank St. Joseph's primary and also the parishioners for their contribution.

Please check the parish Facebook or SHARE Facebook page for pictures from St. Anne's primary school (office staff helping us in loading the car).

One of the outcomes of our recent meeting held at St. Agnes' was a desire to strengthen links with Asylum Link Merseyside who do tremendous work at their centre in the former presbytery of St. Anne's Overbury Street. Some members have already offered to do some voluntary work at their centre which is great. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Margaret Roch ((07842185100) *(We would like to remind everybody that we will be collecting following as an on ongoing project.... we know we can count on the generosity of the people in Huyton)*

### Toiletries

As a parish we thought we could collect and donate toiletries which are always needed there. Items such as soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, appreciated. Please leave these items at the back of our churches.

### Bikes

The Asylum Link is also constantly looking for second hand bikes (for adults) so if you have a bike that is in working order and is 'feeling lonely' why not think of donating it? *(Please note that at the Asylum Link there is the facility to repair bikes).* We can arrange collection of bikes and we know that they will certainly be put to good use

### Prayer

Sr. Mary Rose had a great suggestion which costs nothing at all, just a bit of your time. If each day, for maybe 5-10 minutes each one of us lights a candle and calls to mind all those who are fleeing war, persecution or torture and are facing a very uncertain future, especially those who are losing hope and holds them in prayer. What a beautiful way to unite with each other and with our brothers and sisters in need!!

Thank you again for your tremendous support and generosity.



### Dates for your Diary 2016

Monday 21st March	Reconciliation Service (Adults) St. Aidan 7.30pm
Wednesday 23rd March	Chrism Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral
Friday 29th April	WCMAD fundraiser, St Aidan's Club
Sunday 8th May 11am	Fr Richard's 40th Ordination Anniversary Mass
Sunday 12th June	Joe Morgan's Diaconate Ordination Metropolitan Cathedral
Sunday 10th July	Joint Parish BBQ, St Aidan's
Mon 12th - Sat 17th Sept	Lourdes Pilgrimage
Friday 14th October	WCMAD Fundraiser, St Aidan's Club

*Parish trip to Rome (2017) 17th April. (details to be confirmed)*

### First Communion Preparation

Just a reminder of the next meeting dates.



**Tuesday 22 March in the Old School House 6pm-7pm and  
Thursday 31 March in St Aidan's Club 6pm-7pm**

Please ensure that if you would like your child to celebrate the Sacraments this year, they are expected to attend all 7 sessions and complete all 7 home sessions. Children should also be attending Mass each week.

### 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.



## **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*

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*St. Anne's*

*0151 477 8260*

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

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### **Parish Collections**

**Sunday 13th March 2016**

St Agnes - £673.61

St Aidan - £362.39

### **February Standing Orders**

St Agnes £947.50

St Aidan £450.00

St. Agnes' team to count: Team 2

Combined Refugee Collection to date

**£3639.07**

***Thank you for your  
generous support***

### **St Aidan's Little Church**

Sunday 20th March

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Sunday 27th March

Easter Sunday

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

Sunday 20th March

Lesley, Jean & Paula

Sunday 27th March

Easter Sunday

### **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 11am

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.

## **Songs of Praise**

'Songs of Praise' will be filming in the  
Liverpool Cathedral on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>  
May 2016 from 16:30 – 19:30. If you  
would like to be part of the programme,  
you will need to book tickets through the  
Parish or through the BBC website.

Tickets are free for the event, but must  
be booked in advance. Please contact  
Christine Ball (details in Newsletter) if  
you are interested.