SUNDAY 6th February 2022

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10 The creed of the chosen people

Responsorial Psalm: Be with me. O Lord, in my distress

Second Reading: St Paul to the Romans 10:8-13

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13 Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness and was tempted there

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For your information: Parish Newsletters are posted on Parish Website every week at: www.stagnes-staidan.org.uk Newsletter items by Thursday morning to parish office

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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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 5th March

Mass 5.30 p.m. - Tommy Davies, Kearns Family

Sunday 6th March—First Sunday of Lent

Mass 9.30 a.m. - Rose & Eric Mountain, St Elizabeth Brady Mass 11.00 a.m. - Mary, John & Anthony Murray, Pat Coffey

Mass Live Streamed on YouTube from St. Agnes & St Aidan Church at 11am https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6YzfvR_fFKiF9Xut6EjqtQ.

Please note live streamed Masses are with a congregation so if you attend these Masses anonymity cannot be guaranteed.

Monday 7th March

9.30 a.m. - Celebration of the Word and Communion **Requiem Mass—12 noon**: **Joanne Schumacher**

Wednesday 9th March

Mass 7.30 p.m. - Nina Warchalowski, Private Intention

Friday 11th March

Mass 12 noon - We can make a difference (WCMAD), Breastmates 6.30 pm - Stations of the Cross

Saturday 12th March

Mass 5.30 p.m. - Barry Watson, Asylum seekers and refugees

Sunday 13th March—Second Sunday of Lent

Mass 9.30 a.m. - Victims of racial, ethnic, sexual and religious discrimination Mass 11.00 a.m. - Sheila Whitehead, Ann Maureen Furnell

<u>Confessions</u>: Saturday 5pm - 5.20pm (or by appointment in the presbytery during office hours)



Ritual

Ritual is an essential element of our lives. This fact has been established by studies carried out in various fields - psychology, sociology, anthropology and theology. 'Ritual is to be cherished as a life-sustaining system for individuals and their communities." (New Dictionary of Sacramental Worship.) If we examine our lives, we will discover that hardly a day passes without us participating in some form of ritual associated with events such as our daily meals, home-making, participating in a team sport, the development of a relationship, preparations for a wedding, for birthdays, for Christmas, for Easter. 'Ritual helps to 'connect' us with those aspects of our lives which we consider important. Ritual entails an element of commitment. It challenges us and invites us to live a certain lifestyle which may involve the decision to change our present lifestyle. Rituals are an expression of our innermost search for meaning in our lives. They renew and revitalise us. True ritual is life-giving for those who fully participate.' (Michael Pennock)

The liturgical cycle is rich in ritual experiences but it could be said that we experience the elements of ritual most intensely during the season of Lent. We enter into this season with a sense of purpose and awareness that this is a special time to reflect on 'the true purpose of all spiritual disciplines, which is to clear away whatever may block our awareness of that which is God in us.' (Howard Thurman.) Giving something up for Lent is a custom which may help us do this 'but this can become simply a way that I show God – and others - how strong I am. It is more about me than my relationship with God.' *(onlineministries.creighton)*

'Today's Gospel story follows immediately on from Jesus' baptism. Each of the three temptations touches on Jesus' identity as the Son of God, which had been revealed at his baptism: 'This is my Beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.' Secure in the knowledge of his divine identity, Jesus had the strength to overcome the temptations which were temptations to the misuse of power for purposes less than God's purpose. (R.Rohr) 'Do we approach the coming weeks of Lent as an invitation to spend time in the 'desert' of quiet times, rediscovering our divine identity? What if our Lenten ritual this year is to reclaim and re-treasure that which is of ultimate importance and infinite value – people, relationships, justice and compassion, forgiveness, beauty, and time to reconnect with whatever renews our spirit and deepens our experience of love? As we reclaim and re-treasure we somehow get ourselves back. We're more whole, more complete. (J. Richardson)



Parish of Sts. Agnes & Aidan Live stream Masses

Holy Mass will be live streamed every Sunday at 11am You can find us on YouTube, the link is

https://www.youtube.com/ChannelUC6YzfvR fFKiF9Xut6EjqtQ

You can watch and pray, the Mass any time after 12.30pm on Sundays, If later in the day suits you.

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School Governors

Are you interested in becoming a School Governor at one of our three link schools? This is an important, voluntary role. It does involve a commitment to meetings, but is a rewarding way of being part of the wider parish community. If this is something you would like to know more about please contact the parish office (0151 489 3085).

Music Group

Next practice is **Tuesday 15th March at 7pm** in the Sr. Elizabeth Community Room. A mixture of praise and worship music. All welcome. Singing is good for the heart and soul. Plus its an opportunity to make new friends.



LENTEN RETREAT!

'Send my roots rain' Could this be your prayer this Lent?

What does God long to give you..what do you long for? We'll make a journey with the Jesus of the Beatitudes this Lent.... Open to receive the outpouring of God's love and God's wisdom.. that we might be a blessing in this troubled and beautiful world.

We'll meet together each **Thursday evening from 7-8.30p.m.** beginning on the **3rd March in the Old Schoolhouse L36 0UX** Please let me know you're coming! **Sr. MaryRose 07770 830290**

Prayer Requests

For those who are sick or in special need of our Prayers. Please advise the office if you wish to add someone to our Prayer list. Names will remain on the prayer list for one month unless advised.

Lana Achilles, Joan Arnold, Triona Bromwell, Violet Chadwick, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Susan Curran, Violet Fitzgerald, Gary Halliday, Joanne Harvey, Karen Haynes, Barbara & Mike Holman, Steve Hughes, Brian Keoghan, Kathleen Latham, Peter Markey, Franky Morgan, Rosie Morley, Betty O'Shaunessy, Marie Salkeld, Edward Tarouilly, Sue Thorpe, Richard Thornborough, Pamela Watson

Healing Prayer Circle

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our parish family. We offer a safe space to come together for a brew, chat and to pray.

A prayer intentions box is by the Sacred Heart statue. of Jesus Please feel free to write your prayer intentions down; stating the name of the person you would like prayers for, health issue, reconciliation etc.

Our next prayer circle will be held on **7th March at 7pm** in the Sr. Elizabeth Community room. **We will be serving pancakes.**

To find our more please telephone Von on: 07966 102 304

Lord Jesus, you come to us many times and in many ways. Grant that we may always recognise your visitations. Amen

BENEDICTION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction will take place on the 4th Sunday of each month at 4pm.

Lately Deceased

<u>Anniversaries</u> Sarah Jones,



Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 6th March 2022

Those who struggle with addictions and their families

Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass Intention, an Anniversary or anyone adding to the Prayer List. Thank you for your support during this difficult time.

PARISHES OF ST AGNES & ST AIDAN LGBTQ+ SOCIAL GROUP

Meetings will be held on 3rd Sunday of the month at 6 p.m. The next meeting will be 20th March 2022

Please also follow the Instagram and Facebook page for the Group, or drop me a message for more information. Please follow us on Instagram: St.Agnes_St.Aidan_LGBTQ And Facebook https://www.facebook.com/groups/580539512933145/?ref=share

Facebook: 'Parishes of St. Agnes and St. Aidan's LGBTQ+ Social Group' I hope to see you there!

Holly (she/her) Group Leader



Appeal for Ukraine

We will be collecting the following items for the people of Ukraine Clothes, bedding (sleeping bags), nappies, hygiene products, other items when identified

Collection point : St Aidan Parish centre/club (located at the corner of Adswood Road and Coppice crescent L36 7XR)

St Aidan's parish club will be open between 12pm to 6pm.

You can contact the club manager

Jackie Murray/ or Adam Murray on 07932 404521.

Important Dates for First Communion 2022

St. Aidan's School

FIRST COMMUNION DAY: Saturday 14th May 2022 at 10 am <u>St. Joseph's School</u>

FIRST COMMUNION DAY: Saturday 14th May 2022 at 12:30 pm <u>St. Anne's School</u>

FIRST COMMUNION DAY: Saturday 21st May 2022 at 10 am OR 12:30 pm

Other Schools

Preparation sessions to be arranged. Families will be contacted directly.

FIRST COMMUNION DAY: Sunday 15th May 2022 at 1:30 pm



Baptism Preparation meeting: First Monday of each month at 7:30pm

If you wish to have your child baptised, you <u>must</u> contact the Parish Office on **0151 489 3085** and you will be booked into a preparation meeting.

Baptisms: 1st Sunday and 2nd Sunday at 1.30pm & 2.30pm (Fr. Anton)

4th Sunday at 1.30pm and 2.30 pm (Deacon) PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE Donations of good quality clothes can be left at the back of 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. www.wearenugent.org

Nugent Care



Dates for your Diary



Parish Barbecue—31st July—St Agnes & St Aidan Church Winter Night—25th November—St Aidan's Parish Club

As part of our CARJ (Catholic Association for Racial Justice) initiative we have taken inspiration from the letter of Pope Francis—Fratelli Tutti— Brothers & Sisters all.

We share the dream for a single global family. Our Parish Community is a welcoming place for everyone near and far.

> Where do you come from? Put your mark on the MAP at the back of the church and share your birthplace with us.



St Agnes and St Aidan Mission Boxes Will be emptied this month Thank you for your continued generosity

