

**Sunday 12th May 2024**



**First Reading:**

Acts of the Apostles 1: 15-17, 20-26

*We must choose one of these to be a witness to his resurrection with us.*

**Responsorial Psalm:**

**The Lord has set his sway in heaven**

**Second Reading:**

First Letter of St John 4: 11-16

*Anyone who lives in love lives in God and God lives in him*

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you and your hearts will be full of joy**

**Gospel:** John 17: 11-19

*They may be one like us*

**OFFICE/CHURCH**

**Parish Office:**

82 Huyton Hey Road L36 5SQ

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**Office Hours:**

**Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 1.00 pm**

**Email Address:**

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Mass cards available from church/office.

*(Please note the parish office is located beside the church, entrance via the church car park - green door)*

**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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# The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

*9th June -  
International Table  
(CARJ)*



**Sunday 12th May**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**World Communications Day**

**Year B**

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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.***

NEWSLETTER

### **Parish of Sts. Agnes & Aidan Live stream Masses**

Holy Mass is live streamed every Sunday at 11am on youtube:

Search Youtube Stagnesstaidan

You can watch and pray, the Mass any time after 12.30pm on Sundays,

**Livestreamed Masses are with a congregation so if you attend anonymity cannot be guaranteed.**

### **Saturday 11th May**

Mass 5.30 pm - Stephen Mulvenna, Sr Augusta Baldini Josphine Basurto

### **Sunday 12th May - Seventh Sunday of Easter - World Communications Day**

Mass 9.30 am - Austin Riley, Sr Marina Mary and Sr Luisa Yamamoto

Mass 11.00 am - Teresa Maloney, Gary Hughes

### **Monday 13th May—Feast for the dedication of Liverpool Cathedral Christ the King**

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

### **Wednesday 15th May**

Mass 7.30 p.m. - Sr Alberta Giuzio, Sr Giovanna Alie

### **Saturday 18th May**

Mass 5.30 pm - Tommy Smith, Sr Celesta Nagahama

### **Sunday 19th May - Pentecost Sunday**

Mass 9.30 am - George Miller, Sr Adelia Moreira

Mass 11.00 am - Peter Markey, Sr Ives Masotti

**Confessions: Saturday 5pm - 5.20pm (or by appointment)**



Please be considerate when parking as residents also need to access their driveways with ease. Thank you



### **Llysfasi Residential Spirituality Workshop - 12th - 29th August**

Llysfasi will be hosting a transformative workshop at the Loreto Spirituality Centre in Llandudno from 12 - 29 Aug, 2024. This workshop offers a creative experiential journey rooted in the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Participants will engage in prayer, personal reflection, contemplative listening, discernment, and retreat experiences, all aimed at deepening their spirituality and capacity for accompaniment. Spaces are limited, so apply soon by contacting Mary Rose Fitzsimmons HHS at [maryrosefitzsimmons@btinternet.com](mailto:maryrosefitzsimmons@btinternet.com) or visit [llysfasi-spirituality-workshop.org.uk](http://llysfasi-spirituality-workshop.org.uk) for more information and application forms.

### **Introduction to Sight Loss Friendly Churches—Thursday 9 May at 2pm (45 minutes)**

**Registration Link** - [https://us02web.zoom.us/join/9tZcrd-CqpjsqGd0mlqz3tulkQAHmsgg\\_vBDU](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/9tZcrd-CqpjsqGd0mlqz3tulkQAHmsgg_vBDU)

This session covers a brief overview of what it means to be a sight loss friendly church. There is an interactive element in the form of an informal quiz, personal stories and videos about sight loss and an overview of SLFC's services. Come along if you're thinking of signing up your church or if you'd like to refresh old knowledge. You can find out more at [www.sightlossfriendlychurch.org.uk](http://www.sightlossfriendlychurch.org.uk)

### **Red Missio Boxes**

We need to update our Gift Aid information for the mission boxes. If you have a red box and are a UK taxpayer, please contact Jan Burrows (07708 567 257) to ensure all details are current.



### **Focolare Summer Gathering**

**25th-28th July 2024**

The Mariapolis, a summer gathering organised by Focolare for people of all backgrounds and ages, provides an opportunity to build a small, temporary society based on the life of the gospel, mutual respect and understanding. The programme will include moments of worship, reflection, workshops, games, outings and activities for all ages. Focolare is an international movement that seeks to bring about unity through putting the words of the Gospel into practice in daily life, drawing together people of all Christian traditions and many other religions. For more information, please contact [mariapolis@focolare.org.uk](mailto:mariapolis@focolare.org.uk), or see the posters in the porches.

### **The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver**

The Sisters will be here on 18th and 19th May to appeal on behalf of the Sisters Missions Committee of England and Wales. They will tell us about their missionary work and will be grateful for your support

## Namaste

'When John uses the words "the world" he does not mean nature or creation; he means "the system" - as humans invariably construct it - which is all about security, status, pleasure and power. These are not bad as such, but they are only limited goods, and many people let them become absolute goods. Today we hear Jesus pray that we be "in the world but not of the world," that we compassionately accept the strange way we humans choose to operate and be willing to work inside it, but never really buy into it. If we are to be "in the world but not of the world," we must be ready to waste time, so to speak, in prayer. 'Wasting' time in prayer means being ready to sit still in the presence of God, allowing His presence to seep into us and quietly challenge us. It is through prayer that we slowly recognise this same world as pervaded with heaven. [1]

James Finley describes this quiet time as a 'daily rendezvous with God, with no agenda but love.' In those moments we experience the 'oneness' that Jesus prays for us. 'Oneness is less a goal toward which life is pressing, as it is a return to the truth in which we have always been held.' [2] 'We are *already* one. But we imagine that we are not. What we have to recover is our original unity. What we have to be is what we are.' [3] 'We are *already* one with everything. All that is absent is awareness. Awareness allows us to know this reality, and our openness to the Spirit within us allows this awareness to become transformational.' [3]

'Transformation comes by realising our union with God right here, right now, regardless of any performance or achievement on our part. A heart transformed by this realisation of oneness, of being 'oned' in God, knows that only love 'in here,' in me, can spot and enjoy love 'out there.' To each person – and to everything created - we can bow and say, 'Namaste. The divinity in me salutes the divinity in you.' [1]

*Adapted: [1] Richard Rohr [2] Catherine T. Nerney [3] Thomas Merton [4] David Benner*

## ALTAR SERVERS REUNION

We would like to invite Altar Servers who have served for at least two years from 2005 to contact the parish office as soon as possible as we hope to have a get together for former Altar Servers at our parish barbecue.

## Saint Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic Academy, Whiston

Saint Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic Academy, Whiston are looking to appoint a Lay Chaplain. Details can be found at <https://www.pfcmat.org/Lay-Chaplain/>. Visits to the academy are welcomed. Deadline for applications is Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at noon.

## Prayer Requests

***Your charitable prayers are asked for those who are sick or in special need of our Prayers.***

Please let the office know if you wish to add a name to the list.

Tricia Andrews, Lynn Ashton, Jane Blakemore, George Boland, Katie Brown, Violet Chadwick, James Corbett, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Marie D'arcy, Despina, Claire Hindley, Barbara and Mike Holman, Peggy Kane, John Kelly, Dennis Ling, Marie McFarlane, Sheila McGrattan, Tim Merritt, Frank Molloy, Ann-Marie Naylor, Michael O'Brien, Kathleen O'Gorman, Levinia Redpath, Mia Robinson, Betty Savage, Collette Stalford, Donna Sothern, Billy Turner, Mike Twigg, Sr Josephine Vassallo, Frank Walsh, Joan Walsh, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Tony Wernham, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe,

## Lately Deceased

Meryl Wernham, Annette Devine, Mary Rowley

## Anniversaries

Julie Owen, Lilian Moore, Tommy Smith, Thomas Till



**Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 12th May: Clean drinking water** (an estimated 785 million people around the world don't have access to basic drinking water)

**Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass Intention, an Anniversary or anyone adding to the Prayer List. If you wish this to be said on a specific date can you please give the office as much advanced warning as possible. Please note: As in previous years Easter and Christmas masses will be for all the parishioners and not for individual intentions. Thank you.**  
***Weekday Opening: The church is open daily (except on bank holidays) from 10am—1pm for quiet prayer and refecton.***

## BEREAVEMENT CARE TEAM - DROP-IN SESSIONS

**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month 2pm – 4pm**, in Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room, at St. Agnes & St. Aidan Church on Huyton Hey Road.L36 5SQ . (*Entrance on St. Mary's Road via the arched metal gate*)

We are not counsellors, just a small group of parishioners who have received training for this special ministry. We have also experienced the grief of having lost a loved one. You may prefer to have a one to one meeting with one of our care team. Our monthly Drop – In, is an open invitation for anyone to come along for a cup of tea and company. Time shared with a warm welcome with an opportunity for quiet prayer should you wish.

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

## Baptism

**Baptism Preparation meeting:**  
**First Monday of each month at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be on Monday 13th May**

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

### **BAPTISMS ARE HELD ON:**

1st Saturday 12 noon and 1.00 pm  
1st Sunday 1.30 pm and 2.30 pm  
4th Sunday 1.30 pm and 2.30 pm

### **BAPTISM CERTIFICATES**

Can be obtained from the Parish Office. Please email or phone the office with your request. Once ordered copies can be **collected on Monday or Wednesday from 10 am to 1 pm.**

### **PARISH PENSIONERS' CLUB**

**Next meeting on 22nd May**  
1pm until 3pm in the parish meeting room  
(Sr Elizabeth Kelly room)  
New Members always welcome



### **Car Boot Sale**

Last Saturday of each month 8am to 12 noon



## **LGBTQ+ SOCIAL GROUP**

Will meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 6 p.m. in Sr. Elizabeth Kelly room in the church of SS. Agnes and Aidan, Huyton, L36 5SQ

**The next meeting is on Sunday 19th May**

**Instagram:** St.Agnes\_St.Aidan\_LGBTQ & on **Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/580539512933145/?ref=share>

Facebook: 'Parishes of Sts Agnes & Aidan's LGBTQ+ Social Group'

### **Monthly Craft Group**

Our next get together will be held in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room on 23rd May

### **PARISH COUNCIL**

Next parish council meeting will be on Monday the **24th June at 7pm**. All the members of the parish council are kindly asked to attend this important meeting.

Many Thanks, Fr. Anton

**Music Group: Tuesday 14th May at 7pm** in the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community room. All are welcome. Previous experience not necessary.

**Community Prayer Circle Tuesday 14th May at 1-3pm.** A space to come together and pray for the needs of our parish and our local community. If you have a prayer intention, please complete a prayer slip (by St Martins or Our Lady statue)  
Tea and coffee served.  
Bring a packed lunch.



## **FIRST COMMUNION DATES**

**11th May St. Aidan's First Communion**  
10.00 am

**11th May St. Joseph's First Communion**  
12.30 pm

**12th May All Other Schools First Communion**  
1.30 pm

**18th May St. Anne's First Communion**  
10.00 am & 12:30 pm

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- 9th June - International Table (CARJ) @ St Agnes & St Aidan
- 14th July - BBQ and Fundraiser @ St Agnes & St Aidan
- 6th Sept - Main Fundraiser in St Aidan's Club
- 9th Sept - Parish Pilgrimage to Italy
- 27th Oct - World Mission Sunday (CARJ)

## **Contemplative Prayer Session: Preparation for Pentecost**

Venue: Sister Elizabeth Kelly Community Room  
Date: Tuesday 14th May Time: 10.30am – 11.30am.  
Tea will be served after the session.  
Contact: Parish Office 0151 489 3085 or [cathmyork@gmail.com](mailto:cathmyork@gmail.com)



## **PILGRIMAGE TO ROME**

The balance for the trip to Rome is due by 1st June  
People sharing a twin room - balance £930 per person  
People with a single room - balance £1,380 per person  
Everyone needs to be aware that due to new EU Regulations the inception date on all passports needs to be checked as passports which have a life of more than ten years may not be valid. Your passport needs to be valid for at least six months on your return.

## **SOUP CLUB**

**SS Agnes and Aidan Catholic Church**  
82 Huyton Hey Road, L36 5SQ

Wednesday 15th May at 12.30 pm  
Wednesday 19th June at 12.30 pm.  
Wednesday 17th July at 12.30 pm.  
Wednesday 21st August at 12.30 pm.  
Wednesday 18th September at 12.30 pm.  
Wednesday 16th October at 12.30 pm.  
Wednesday 20th November at 12.30 pm.  
Wednesday 18th December at 12.30 pm.

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