# Sunday 14th April 2024



First Reading:

Acts of the Apostles 3: 13-15, 17-19

You killed the prince of life, God raised him from the dead.

**Responsorial Psalm:** 

Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord

Second Reading: St John 2:1-5

He is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's.

**Gospel Acclamation:** 

Lord Jesus explain the scripture to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

# OFFICE/CHURCH

Parish Office:

82 Huyton Hey Road L36 5SQ Tel: 0151 489 3085 Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 1.00 pm

**Email Address:** 

agnesaidan@rcaol.org.uk

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

#### **PARISH CONTACTS**

SISTERS:

Helpers of the Holy Souls

Sr. Elizabeth 0151 480 7904 Sr. Mary Rose 07770 830 290

**Daughters of St. Paul** 0151 487 8550 **St. Mary of Namur** 0151 489 1302

**Deacon:** *Mike Whelan* 

PRIMARY SCHOOLS:

St. Aidan 0151 477 8370 St. Joseph 0151 477 8990 St. Anne's 0151 477 8260

Parish Priest

Fr. Anton Fernandopulle

0151 489 3085

(Resident in parish)

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**PARISH CLUB** 

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# The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan



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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.

# 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 13th April

Mass 5.30 pm - Felix Doyle, Robert & Kathleen Latham

# Sunday 14th April - Third Sunday of Easter

Mass 9.30 am - Brian Taylor, Sally-Ann Vitone Mass 11.00 am - Ann Shields, Nina Warchalowski

# Monday 15th April

9.30 am Celebration of the Word and Communion

# Wednesday 17th April - Anniversary of the Hillsborough Disaster

7.30 pm Celebration of the Word and Communion

# Saturday 20th April

Mass 5.30 pm - Eric Martin, Special Intention

# Sunday 21st April - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Mass 9.30 am - Pat Barry, Florence Russell

Mass 11.00 am - The Park Family, James, Esther & Theresa Colligan

# 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



#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

1st May - Time to Remember Service

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)



#### 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 expiry date on all passports needs to have six months after leaving Italy. Your passport needs to have been issued after 9th June 2014

# Llysfasi Residential Spirituality Workshop - 12-29 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 <a href="maryrosefitzsimmons@btinternet.com">maryrosefitzsimmons@btinternet.com</a> or visit Llysfasi-spirituality-workshop.org.uk for more information and application forms.

# Introduction to Sight Loss Friendly Churches (SLFC)

Thursday 9 May at 2pm (45 minutes)

**Registration Link -** <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcrd-CqpjsqGd0mlgz3tulkQAHmsgq\_vBDU">https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcrd-CqpjsqGd0mlgz3tulkQAHmsgq\_vBDU</a>

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 <a href="https://www.sightlossfriendlychurch.org.uk">www.sightlossfriendlychurch.org.uk</a>.

# Shalom: Be Whole in Body, Mind and Spirit

The beginning of today's Gospel refers to the two disciples who had left Jerusalem to travel to Emmaus. For them Jerusalem was a place of pain, sorrow and loss; a place where their lives were shattered. They didn't want to be there. It was not brokenness that took Cleopas and his companion to Emmaus but a hunger for wholeness. It wasn't a shattering that took them there, but a hunger for restoration. When they met Jesus on the road to Emmaus, he broke bread with them and something in them broke open. With that breaking open, their lives were being put back together. So it is for us as well. We don't want to stay in painful situations. We've all had times when our lives were broken open in ways we could never imagine. Despite how it feels, our brokenness is not an ending. There is more to it than we often see or know. It is not just brokenness, a shattering; it is a breaking open to new life, to new seeing, to new recognition. The two disciples returned to the place from which they had to get away. We leave our 'Jerusalem' but then we return to face our deaths, losses and shattered lives. The 'city' hasn't changed but we have. We discover that new life awaits us. We return to reclaim ourselves, to recover the lost pieces of ourselves. It means trusting that somehow the shards of our lives will become the pieces for a new life, a new seeing and a new way of living. [1]

'As in all post-Resurrection stories, Jesus is not recognised by the disciples in today's gospel. They thought he was a ghost. They were unable to recognise the holiness that stood among them. This is God revealing himself in the oh-so-ordinary, oh-so-daily world. 'Touch me, my hands and my feet .. and see.' [2] 'He was flesh and blood. He ate. He still wore the wounds of crucifixion. That Christ's flesh remained broken, even in his resurrection, serves as a powerful reminder that his intimate familiarity and solidarity with our human condition did not end with his death.' [3]

"He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures." 'With Jesus' resurrection, God shatters human preconceived ideas of who God is, where God's life and energy are to be found, and how God works in this world.'[1] And whatever our circumstances he says to us, "Peace be with you." The word 'Peace' (Shalom) expresses the desire that the person receiving the blessing might be whole in body, mind and spirit. In the Greek, there is no verb, so 'Shalom' can be taken either as a wish or a statement of fact: where Jesus is truly present to us, there is peace.

Adapted: [1] Michael Marsh [2] Richard Rohr [3] Jan Richardson

# **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, Annette Devine, 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, Meryl & Tony Wernham, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe,

#### **Lately Deceased**

Anthony Bude Ojukwy, James Kirby

#### <u>Anniversaries</u>

James Gary Aspinall & Graham Jon Wright, (Hillsborough), Pat Barry, Bella Kearns, Esther McGurk

Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 14th April: Those mentally and physically challenged

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 refection.

#### BEREAVEMENT CARE TEAM - DROP- IN SESSIONS

1st 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 Preparation meeting: First Monday of each month at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be on Monday 6th May

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 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.

# WELCOME TO OUR OPEN CHURCH

As a parish family we have invested a considerable amount of money on security to make it possible to keep the church open during the weekdays from 10am to 1pm (except on bank holidays) Please feel free to avail yourself of this opportunity to spend some valuable time in the presence of the blessed sacrament in private prayer or just to light a candle.

#### **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 21st April

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'

#### **GOLD BOOK**

If you would like the name of your deceased loved ones written in **The Gold Book** please contact the parish office with their name and the month they died so that their names can be added. (0151 489 3085)



# **PARISH PENSIONERS' CLUB**

# Next meeting on 24th April

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



# **Monthly Craft Group**

Our next get together will be held in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room on 25th April

#### FIRST COMMUNION DATES

Reconciliation dates and rehearsals dates to be confirmed.

11th May St. Aidan's First Communion 10 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 am & 12:30 pm

#### **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

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

Wednesday 17th April at 12.30 pm 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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# St Agnes & St Aidan - DBS Rechecks

Could we ask all people who are volunteers and have had a DBS check to contact either Honor Ambrose or Cath Golding and begin the preparation for a recheck. Unfortunately, the deadline for these checks is imminent and we will need to finalise in the next two weeks.

Fr. Anton

The volunteers who only need a recheck will only have to complete two pieces of paperwork but will still need three pieces of identification.

We will be available after mass over the next couple of weekends and would appreciate your co-operation. Many Thanks .

**Music Group: Tuesday 16th April at 7pm** in the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community room. All are welcome. Previous experience not necessary.

**Community Prayer Circle Tuesday 16th April 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