

CALLING BUDDING YOUNG GARDENERS

Do we have any children who would be interested in 'adopting' a section of St Agnes' parish garden? There is some work to be done and we can divide the space into manageable sections with the children being responsible for their own piece. Work can begin during the next school holiday so if you are interested please put your name on the list at the back of church.

WCMAD Fundraiser

We will be having a fundraiser evening on 16 May 2014 in St Aidan's Club from 7.30 pm. Tickets will be available from this weekend at £2 for adults and 50p for children.



As usual this will be a family evening with a shared table and the Huyton Ukulele Group will be playing with a Hawaiian theme. If you would like to wear flowery or bright clothes there will be a prize for the best outfit - it's just a bit of fun and entirely optional. Normal clothes are fine!!

Raffle tickets will be on sale from this weekend until the WCMAD Fundraiser. There will be the usual array of good prizes which will be published nearer the time.



Romania & Albania Projects



If you are a parishioner who is 18+ and regularly worship at St. Agnes or St. Aidan's you may like to help on our projects in Romania or Albania. There is a group that meets every first Saturday of the month at 6.30pm at **92 Adswood Road** (after 5.30 Mass).

Mill Hill Missions

Thank you to Parishioners and box collectors from St Aidan's who have raised £3,590.10 over the last year. Many thanks for your generosity and support

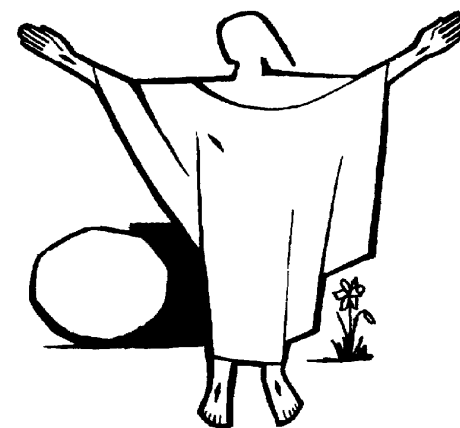
St Agnes' Little Church

25 May 2014

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The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan

NEWSLETTER



**The Fifth Sunday of Easter
Year A
18th May 2014**

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

Dougie & May Hayhurst, Sue Johnson, Margaret Maguire, Bill Hall,
 John Hunter, Rose Bryan, Katie Nichols, Daisy May, Clare Deane, Martin Thomas,
 Craig Wilson, Pauline Campbell, Bill Jones, May Cooper, Tricia Robinson, Ryan Johnson,
 Brian Whiteacre, Barbara Shervall, Marie Keights, Ian Gordon, Marie Mills, Dorothy Kelly,
 Bernard Foley, Mary Parker, Maureen Lincoln, Mia Lewsey, Margie, June Hunt,
 Michael Williams, Terry Thompson, Maisy Eason, Rose Saunders, Dean Easton,
 Anne Nolan, Jim Phillips, Lawrence McClintock, Nicky Allen, Joe Muraski, Marie D'Arcy,
 Christopher Massam, Marion Fallon, Betty Johns, Nel Jorden, Frank & Joan McCann.
 Vera Cummins, Rose Rimmer, Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess, James Soundie,
 Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Tony Clintworth, Lynn McNabb, Aidan Morris, Maria Edge,
 Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Vera Murphy, Mary Organ,
 Sandra Rowley, Josie Campbell, Winnie Witter, Peggy Skidmore, Eddie Doran,
 Angela Fleetwood, George Gibbons, Mary Fullerton, Rose Rawlinson, Marie Higgins,
 Averyll Fairfield Logan, Carol Atkinson, Brendan Reilly, Christine Lees, Jennifer Hewitt,
 Joseph Hill, Susan McDougale, Pat Madden, Mary Lyons, Eileen Mooney, Philip Gallagher,
 Jenny Pye, Carl Atkinson, Phil Ridler, Ursula Erfani Clare Pendleton, James Taylor,
 Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Dolly Morten, Kay McNeill, Jennifer McLaughlin, Rose Sankey,
 Caelan McKeown, Michael McDonough, Arthur Jones, Margaret Flynn, Colette Wilson,
 Aaron Carmichael, Triona Bromwell, Geraldine Kelly, Brenda Cubells, Patrick McKeown,
 Janet & Ray Cragg, Maisie Pritchard, Marion, Linda O'Keefe, Margaret Sergison,
 Geraldine, Roisin & Pdraig McRory, Wyn Graham, Margaret Murray, Josie Tinsley,
 Riley James Skeath, Anthony Winrow, Jimmy O'Neil, Philip Malone, William Stove,
 Clare Cheeseman-Woolerton

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

Anniversaries

Sanctuary Lamps

This week 18th May

St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp - Parishioners of St Agnes

St Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp - Parishioners of 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.



to come in and go out with him and through him. They think there is another way over or around the gate. But there is no trick to choosing the correct door. It stands wide open before us.

PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE

What is the "open door" that Jesus is inviting you to go through at the present time?

What form does coming in and going out of the gate that is Jesus take in your life? Have you tried to climb in another way?



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.

"Be Still and know that I am God"

Remembrance Book

We have a Gold Book which is on the altar at St Aidan's to be used by both Parishes. If you have a member of your family/loved one who has died and you would like their name entered into the book, please speak to Pat McGiveron or ring the office on 0151 489 3085

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!



THE OPEN DOOR

At the beginning of today's gospel selection, Jesus speaks about himself as the shepherd of the sheep who enters the sheepfold properly, through the gate. He contrasts himself to the thief or the robber who scrambles into the sheepfold some other way and who will have no success in getting the sheep to follow him out. He is a stranger and the sheep will run away from him; they do not recognize his voice. Later in this chapter of John's gospel, Jesus elaborates further

the image of himself as the Good Shepherd but in today's gospel the focus is on himself as the gate for the sheep.

An important aspect of this image is that the gate swings in two directions. Not only do Jesus' followers come into the sheepfold through him but they are also led out by him. All who are led in by him find in the embrace of the believing community a place of refreshment and rest, a space where wounds can be healed and where all can be nourished by the word and at the table. But whoever enters is also led out to find pasture, the verdant space of mission. Jesus is the gate that opens in and out.

Later in the gospel, the image of the open gate takes another form. Jesus' open side, pierced by the soldier's lance, also beckons us to enter, so that we can then go out in the power of his risen life. All who enter into his way of life, which offers the most forgotten and downtrodden verdant pastures of plenty, risk reprisals from those who try to enter another way. Even should one's life be taken for entering into this sheepfold, Jesus' open side also provides a portal outward to life birthed anew. Before his death, Jesus spoke to his disciples of his passion as labour pains that would give way to joy when the new life was born. The blood and water that flow from his open side recall the "rivers of living water" that Jesus promised would flow from within (literally, "from the womb of") him and from the heart of each believer.

The open tomb on Easter morning completes the image. The gates of death have been breached by the One who came so that all "might have life and have it more abundantly". The door now lies wide open for all. The invitation to enter through Jesus and his way of life is difficult for some to accept. The Pharisees, representing those who choose not to understand, do not accept Jesus' invitation

Mass Intentions

Saturday 17th May

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Kathy Fielding

Sunday 18th May Fifth Sunday of Easter

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Catherine Keats, George Nichols

St Agnes Mass 11.00am - Brenna Family

Monday 19th May

St. Agnes 9.30 am – Celebration of the Word & Communion

Tuesday 20th May

St Aidan Holy Hour

Wednesday 21st May

St Agnes Mass 7.30 pm -

Thursday 22nd May

No Mass

Friday 23rd May

St. Aidan Mass 12 Noon -

Saturday 24th May

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm -

Sunday 25th May Sixth Sunday of Easter

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am -

St Agnes Mass 11.00am -

Confessions

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

Please contact the Parish office if you would like an anniversary added
to the Prayer List in the Newsletter. Thank you.



Welcome to the Parish
family of
St Aidan & St Agnes

Who will be baptised on
Sunday 11th May
at St Agnes Church

Please remember these children
and their families in your prayers.

Yoga

Yoga classes continue in the
Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room at
St. Agnes' on Wednesdays at
6.15 pm



Parish Collections

Sunday 11th May
St Agnes - £757.44
St Aidan - £

Easter Offerings 2014

St Agnes-£364.52
St Aidan-£225.30

April Standing Orders

St. Agnes - £888.00
St. Aidan - £184.00

St. Agnes' team to count: Team 2

**Thank you for your
generous support**

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

PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

Main Parish Office:

St Aidan's
92 Adswood Road
L36 7XR

Office Hours:

Monday 9am - 12.30pm

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
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L36 5SQ

For Mass Cards etc
(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



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