

Sunday 16th June 2024



First Reading:

Ezekiel 17:22-24

I make low trees grow

Responsorial Psalm

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord

Second Reading:

St Paul to the Corinthians 5:6-10

Gospel Acclamation:

I call you friends says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

Gospel:

Mark 4:26-34

It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet it grows into the biggest shrub of them all.

The Order of Mass is printed on page 4 of the Hymn Book

OFFICE/CHURCH

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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

NEWSLETTER



Sunday 16th June 2024

ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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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.

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 15th June—

Mass 5.30 pm - Malcolm Farrell, Margaret Davies

Sunday 16th June - Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.30 am - Terry Collins, Annette Devine

Mass 11.00 am - Kitty Merrutia, Mary Rowley

(Sr Noreen and Sr. Maria will be celebrating their diamond jubilee on Sunday the 30th of June. Archbishop Malcolm McMahon will preside at this Mass at 11am.)

Monday 17th June—

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Wednesday 19th June

Mass 7.30 pm - John Hunt, Sheila Reardon

Friday 21st June—Memorial of St Aloysius Gonzaga, SJ

Mass 12 noon— Martin Vassallo, Sr Josephine Vassallo

Saturday 22nd June - Feast of SS John Fisher, Bishop & Martyr & Thomas More, Martyr

Mass 5.30 pm—Eddie Pat & Tracy Warren, Sheila Clarke

Sunday 23rd June - Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.30 am - John & Marty Coffey, Geraldine McLachlan

Mass 11.00 am - Pat Palmer, Frank Eustace

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



SHARE KNOWSLEY IS RECRUITING!!

Want to make a BIG DIFFERENCE to somebody's life?

Help a refugee feel welcome and settle into their new life!!

If you have a few spare hours each week, please consider becoming a SHARE BEFRIENDER.

Being forced to flee for safety and leave everything you know is traumatic.

Not knowing anyone or anything in a new place can leave you feeling isolated, lonely and depressed.

Having someone to help you learn about where you live, what's going on and maybe go with you to events or groups can really help you feel like you belong, are valued and help develop your confidence. That's what our Befrienders do.

YOU COULD BE THAT PERSON that makes all the difference.

This is an extremely rewarding role. You will receive training and be supported throughout it.

If you think you might be interested, please contact us by emailing:

admin@shareknowsley.org.uk

Catholic Pictorial Article

We would like to make clear that the recent article in the Catholic Pictorial, 'Recycled Churches in Huyton', has a number of errors and at no point were we consulted about the subject matter of this article.

The church and land of St. Aidan's Church has not yet been sold.

While we are still in the process of discernment with Fr. Matthew Nunes, **NO** decisions have been made as to how we will proceed regarding the future of our churches in Huyton.

Fr. Anton has been in touch with Neil Sayer about these errors.

SHARE TOILETRIES BOX Many thanks for all the toiletries donated over the past two weeks. Your kindness is so much appreciated by so many. This is an on-going collection, one item now and again makes a massive difference to those with nothing. Sister Doreen

ALTAR SERVER PRACTICE

There will be a practice for current and new (year 3 and older) altar servers on Sunday 16th June at 12.30 pm

Sowing is about releasing life

Jesus was the Master Storyteller. He knew that 'when we move into mystery, into what is a meeting of the transcendent and the ordinary, we need words and images to express what is beyond expression. Today's Gospel story uses the images of a sower and seeds to express the mystery of God's kingdom, the "where God is experienced." [1]

The first parable focuses on the attributes of the sower who represents us and our efforts to live fruitful lives. **'Sowers are people of hope**, a hope that comes from letting the past be, like the turning over of the soil before a new crop is planted. Once he has planted the seed, the sower has no way of knowing how the seed is doing. That is the great lesson of sowing, learning to wait, trusting what we cannot see.' [2] 'It is a time of surrendering to the transformation process within us. This surrender is almost the exact opposite of giving up. In fact, it allows us to be given to.' [3] 'How we grow depends on how we receive what comes to us.' [2]

'Sowers are life-givers. The sower respects the sacredness of life and knows that sowing is about releasing life, about releasing hidden beauty and potential.' [2]

The second parable focuses on the seed, which represents our awareness of the gift of God's life and love within us. As our awareness grows, so does our desire to help others deepen that awareness within them. 'We do this in small ways, from small acts of kindness, from reaching out of one person to another, from the smile extended to a stranger: little things done with love. That's the story of most of our lives. [3] These 'mustard-seed-size' ways of expressing our love through everyday actions are ways that will create a world in which everyone will find a home.

Adapted: [1] Sundays into Silence - A Pathway to Life [2] Sister Stan [3] Richard Rohr

First Communion Celebration

We would like to invite all the children who made their First Communion this year to join us for a celebration on **Sunday 23rd June 2024 during 11 am Mass** followed by a special Tea Club. Please come dressed in your special First Communion clothes, if you would like. We look forward to seeing you.

Church security is everybody's responsibility

May I ask all those who go for walks in the area to spend a few minutes checking around the church grounds and report any vandalism or anti-social behaviour. We need to be alert to any people loitering around the property.

We appreciate everyone looking out for our church property.

Many Thanks

Fr. Anton



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, 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

Josie Denton, Sheila Reardon



Anniversaries

Peter Murphy, Kenneth Owens, Daniel Gerard McGurk

Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 16th June— Victims of racial ethnic, sexual and religious discrimination

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

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

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

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 26th June
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 16th June

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'

Mission Boxes

Mission boxes due to be emptied this month.

Last year, total collected was £3063.69

Thank you for your generosity

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 25th June at 7pm in the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community room. All are welcome. Previous experience not necessary.

Community Prayer Circle Tuesday 25th June 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 statues) Tea and coffee served. Bring a packed lunch.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

23rd June - Meeting for parishioners travelling to Rome

14th July - BBQ and Fundraiser @ St Agnes & St Aidan

6th Sept - Main WCMAD- Fundraiser in St Aidan's Parish Club

9th Sept - Parish Pilgrimage to Italy

27th Oct - World Mission Sunday (CARJ)



Italy 2024

Meeting for all pilgrims travelling to Italy will be held on Sunday 23rd June after 11am Mass.

LUNCHEON CLUB

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

Wednesday 19th June at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 17th July at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 21st August at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 25th September at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 16th October at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 20th November at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 11th December at 12.30 pm

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A Huge thank you to everyone who made our International Table of Fellowship such a wonderful occasion last week. The people who prepared the church and outside space, the food donations, cake makers, preparers, servers, tea makers, washer uppers and tidy uppers. A wonderful band of volunteers. Last but not least Fr Moses Henry Ariho, Deacon Justin Malewezi, Nicholas Burundian, the bidding prayers readers and the service users of SHARe Knowsley who made the day really special.

Thank you all once again for your support. Ann Malone

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

All those who would like to be baptised, confirmed or received into full communion with the Catholic church at the Easter Vigil 2025, kindly inform us by Sunday **18th August 2024** as this is the deadline for registration for the RCIA Programme.