

Sunday 28th April 2024



First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 9: 26-31

Barnabas explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul on his journey

Responsorial Psalm:

You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly

Second Reading: St John 3:18-24

His commandments are these: that we believe in his Son and that we love one another.

Gospel Acclamation:

**Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.
Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty.**

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty

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

*1st May - Time to
Remember Service.*



NEWSLETTER

Sunday 28th April 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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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 27th April

Mass 5.30 pm - Elizabeth Kirk, Gary Hughes

Sunday 28th April - Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mass 9.30 am - Keith Mowatt, Edward Davis

Mass 11.00 am - Maureen Mutch, James Kirkby

Monday 29th April - Feast of St Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Tuesday 30th April

Funeral Service 1.00pm - Margaret Preston

Wednesday 1st May

7.30 pm - *Time to Remember Service*

Thursday 2nd May - Memorial of St Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor

Funeral Service 1.45pm - Gwen Bailey

Saturday 4th May - Feast of the English Martyrs

Mass 5.30 pm - MPatsy Smith, Paul Murrell

Sunday 5th May - Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mass 9.30 am - Tess Kitching, Gary Hughes

Mass 11.00 am - Anthony Bude Ojukwu, Mia Robinson

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



Coming Home

In St John's gospel, Jesus used the words "I AM" in seven declarations about Himself. Seven is the symbolic number of wholeness and perfection. 'Whenever we reflect on the 'I AM' statements of Jesus we are being invited to rest in His presence, to experience true wholeness. Mutual presence or intimacy is the ultimate goal of the spiritual journey. "Make your home in me as I make mine in you." It is about abiding, not performing. It is about holding on to your core identity more than striving for perfect behaviour - which would only make us proud and self-sufficient, even if it were possible.' [1] 'Homecoming is a coming home to the divinity in ourselves. Our homeland is not in a faraway heaven: it is to be found at our own postcode.' [2]

'St Augustine reminds us that our hearts are restless until they rest in God. That restlessness comes from a sense of being incomplete which arises when we have looked in the wrong places for nourishment, enlightenment, direction, leadership, life, community and truth. At these times we experience homesickness, a desperation to find a sense of sacredness within us, not outside us. Our restlessness will ease whenever we visit our true home. As our 'visits' become more frequent and longer, we will begin to experience the death of only visiting God and the birth of living with and through God.' [3]

'When we come home to the divinity in ourselves, the more open we will be to the divinity within the people God sends into our lives. We will be rooted in the True Vine.' [1] RR 'In Scripture, the word *true* is often used to describe what is eternal and divine.' [4] *John MacArthur* 'When we are rooted in the True Vine our lives will produce His fruits of love, intimacy, mercy, forgiveness, justice, truth, generosity, compassion, presence, wisdom, healing, reconciliation, self-surrender, joy, thanksgiving, peace, obedience and humility.' [1]

'Home is not always a place.' [5]

Adapted: [1] R. Rohr [2] Daniel O'Leary [3] Brene Brown [4] John MacArthur [5] Charlie Mackesy

Parish Whatsapp Group

Its wonderful to see so many parishioners connecting via the parish Whatsapp group. All those who worship here and their families are invited to be part of this link.

If you are interested please contact Brian Roberts on 07779328414.

This is a great tool to keep everyone informed of important events/services

Our hope is that this will bring more positive energy to our vibrant parish community.



Sr Elizabeth would like to express her sincere thanks for all the good wishes for she received for her birthday. Many thanks are also expressed for the generosity of everyone for all their cards and presents which were much appreciated

Family of Parishes

As we work to becoming a family of Parishes with St Aloysius, St Dominic's, St Columba and St John Fisher, and St Albert's; this weekend, we will take time to answer the following questions during Mass. All the responses will be collated and used to support what happens next, as we move towards shaping the future of the church for our future generations.

Questions:

Consider the Catholic community across Huyton (and including Stockbridge Village and Knowsley Village)

1. What do you see?
2. What words, phrases, ideas, or images come to mind as you consider: how are things now?
3. What are your hopes?
4. What are your fears?
5. What is the future that you want to work to create together?
6. What is the story that you would like to tell those in the future about what you did now?

As well as this we are all encouraged to attend a meeting facilitated by Fr. Matthew Nunes on 8th May

7-9 pm, St. Aidan's Club, Adswood Road, Coppice Crescent, Huyton L36 7XR.

If you are unable to attend the meeting with our parish, you are welcome to participate in any of the other meetings. Dates and venues below:

1st May

7-9 pm

The Gate Community Centre, 600 Princess Drive, Huyton, L14 9QN

22nd May

7-9 pm

St. Columba's Hillside Avenue Huyton L36 8DL

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

Alan James Mills, Gwen Bailey, Teresa Maloney

Anniversaries

Michael McCloy, Anthony Scales, Paul Murrell, Brian Clintworth, Michael McCloy

Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 28th April : Victims of domestic violence

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 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 8th 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 30th April at 7pm in the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community room. All are welcome. Previous experience not necessary.

Community Prayer Circle Tuesday 30th 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 statue) Tea and coffee served. Bring a packed lunch.



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

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)

Contemplative Prayer Session: Preparation for Pentecost

Energy

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



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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