

Sunday 5th October 2025



First Reading Habakkuk 1:2-3,2:2-4

The righteous shall live by this faith

Responsorial Psalm

**O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts'**

Second Reading Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Do not be ashamed of th testimony about our Lord

Gospel Acclamation

The word of the Lord remains for ever and this word is the good news that was preached to you.

Gospel Reading Luke 17:5-10

If you had faith.

The Order of Mass 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

PARISH CONTACTS

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Mike Whelan

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PARISH CLUB

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'Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan'

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The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan



WCMAD Fundraiser
(We Can Make A Difference)
17th October at 7.00 pm at
St. Aidan Parish Club

NEWSLETTER



**Sunday 5th October 2025
Twenty Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year C**

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 10.30 am 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 4th October - Feast of St Frances of Assisi

Mass 5.30 pm - Kevin Joseph Crawford, James Miller

Sunday 5th October - Twenty Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.00 am - Our Lady & St Jude/Patsy & Family, Alan Morris

Mass 10.30 am - Paddy Murphy, William Salkeld

Monday 6th October - St Bruno, Priest

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Wednesday 8th October -

Mass 7.30 am - Kay Gillan, Malcomb McMillan

Friday 10th October

Mass 12 noon - Religious Sisters in our Community, WCMAD Fundraiser

Saturday 11th September - St John XXIII Pope

Mass 5.30 pm - James Gregory, Paddy Murphy

Sunday 12th October - Twenty Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.00 am - Rosaleen Price, Social and Racial Justice

Mass 10.30 am - Edward Coffey, Bryan Tyrer

Confessions: Saturday 5.00 pm - 5.20 pm (or by appointment)



First Communion Preparation

As we prepare for the children's First Holy Communion, we kindly remind parents to encourage them to **attend the 10:30am Sunday Mass regularly**. Being present at Mass helps the children to become familiar with the prayers and responses, take part in the Little Church, and grow in their sense of belonging to our parish community.

Parish Volunteers

We continue to look for volunteers to support the many activities in our parish. We are especially seeking new people who can take on roles that have been faithfully carried out by long-standing volunteers over the years.

If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office. As we know, many hands make light work, and together we can ensure the smooth running of parish life.

We take this opportunity to sincerely thank all our volunteers - past and present - for their generous service and ongoing support. Please encourage your family and friends to get involved too!

Holy Communion for the Housebound

If you, or someone you know, are genuinely housebound and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact the parish office. Kindly provide your full address and clear contact details so that we can make the necessary arrangements.

Supporting Share Knowsley

On behalf of Share Knowsley, we would like to thank all those who continue to support our brothers and sisters in need by donating a variety of items, including toiletries, which can be left at the back of the church. Please think twice before discarding something - an item no longer needed by you may be of great use to someone else. If you are unsure about what can be donated, please contact the Parish Office or reach out via the Parish WhatsApp group.

We also extend our gratitude to everyone who has been so generous, and to all parish volunteers involved in supporting asylum seekers—whether through drop-ins in Prescott and Kirkby, or by helping at the Old Schoolhouse with English lessons and guidance on life in the UK.

Thank you for your ongoing kindness and commitment.

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



Faith is the experience of the presence of God within us

"If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." 'This hyperbole of Jesus leads us into a critical self-reflection of our faith, with the words 'O ye of little faith' ringing in our ears.' [1] We often interpret faith in terms of quantity, as is seen in the apostles request, "Lord increase our faith." We think we should have *more* faith. If a little is good a lot must be better. 'We waste a great deal of time and energy looking for the key to the treasure box of More. All we lack is the willingness to imagine that we already have everything we need.' [2]

'Our self-criticism takes us nowhere near the mystery of what Jesus proposes in today's gospel. Can faith be measured? Is faith quantifiable? From quantum physics we understand that in the tiniest atom of the universe, the entire power of the universe lies. In the smallest is also the greatest.' [1] 'Science and theology are beginning to use the same language, the language of relationship. One of the many wonderful things that scientists are discovering is that the energy in the universe is not in the planets, nor in the atomic particles, but very surprisingly in *the relationship between them*. In the beginning was relationship. "Let *us* create in *our* image." (Genesis 1:26-27). When we start with God as relationship, we begin the spiritual journey with an awareness that there has to be a DNA connection between the One who creates and what is created.' [3] 'Faith is the *experience* of the presence of God within us. God's unconditional and infinite love for us cannot be measured. The language of 'more' and 'less' relates to our *awareness* of God's presence within all creation. When we surrender to God's presence, we will choose a lifestyle which offers the least resistance to becoming ever more habitually established in God's love, which is already there.' [4]

'Perhaps Jesus is pointing to our own lack of wonder—for failing to see what is hidden in plain sight. What we seek is already right here, in front of us, if only we had eyes to see.' [1] 'Faith is the lens through which we see ourselves and others and who we are in God. Faithfulness means that no matter where we go, no matter what circumstances we face, we do so in relationship with the One who created us, loves us and sustains us.' [5] With faith in who we are in God, knowing we have everything we need, we can 'fan into flame the gift of God, which is in us.' [6] We already have 'enough' to respond to the invitation 'to help divinize and transform the world.' [7] 'That is as monumental a task as ordering a mulberry tree to take root in the sea.' [1]

Adapted: [1] Amy Frykholm [2] Barbara Brown Taylor [3] Richard Rohr [4] James Finley [5] Michael Marsh [6] 2 Tim:1:6. 2nd reading [7] Annie Dillard

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.

Ivan, Asanta Alwis, Tricia Andrews, Lynn Ashton, Doris Benette, Catherine Bennion, Trina Bromwell, Margaret & Gordon Caruthers, Violet Chadwick, Grace Cheeseman-Woolerton, Ann Clague, John Clintworth, Victoria Coffey, James Corbett, Janet, Ray and Nicholas Cragg, Marie D'arcy, Janet Davies, Despina, Patricia Fisher, Alison Hardman, Joseph Hill, Claire Hindley, Sue Hodgson, Barbara Holman, Marie Hunter, Claire Illingworth, Barry James, Joelle, Peggy Kane, Dennis Ling, Ray Lloyd, Sheila McGrattan, Maureen, Michael & Lawrence McClintock, Christine Malone, Joe March, Patricia Markey, Tim Merritt, Peter Muldoon, Ann-Marie Naylor, Kathleen O'Gorman, Ged Privilege, Julie Quarless, Mia Robinson, Nilma Cristina Rodrigo, Walter Runge, Marie Sanbter, Sara, Betty Savage, Donna Sothern, Alan Spain, Billy Turner, Sr Josephine Vassallo, Molly Wallis, Frank Walsh, Joan Walsh, Dylan Watson, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Vera Whitfield, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe

Lately Dead

Josephine Keight, Christina Blade

Anniversary

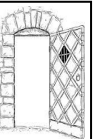
Evelyn Elizabeth Tipton

Sanctuary Lamp week 5th October - Asylum Seekers and Refugees

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.

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.



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.

Baptism

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

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. These meetings are for parents whose children are under 8 years of age

BAPTISMS ARE HELD ON:

1st Saturday at 12.00pm and 1.00 pm
1st Sunday at 1.30pm & 2.30pm (Fr. Anton)
4th Sunday at 1.30pm & 2.30 pm (Deacon Mike)

BAPTISM CERTIFICATES

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 will be on 8th October 2025

1 pm until 3 pm in the parish meeting room (Sr Elizabeth Kelly room)

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)

LGBTQ+ SOCIAL GROUP

Will meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 6 pm in Sr. Elizabeth Kelly room in the church of SS. Agnes and Aidan, Huyton, L36 5SQ
The next meeting, which will be open, is on

Sunday 19th October.

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'

Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community Room

- Community Prayer Circle (1-3pm)
- **Next meeting 14th October**
- Music Group (7.30 pm)
- **Next meeting 7th October**

No experience needed. Join us to make new friends and contribute to our worship.

All are welcome

Car Boot Sale

Last Saturday of each month
8am to 12 noon.

Next Car boot sale on 26th October



Missing Parishioners

As parishioners we need to be aware that if we don't see someone for a few weeks we should find out what has happened. Or it may be that you are unable to attend Church because you have been ill. In either case please contact the office as soon as possible and we will make arrangements for someone to keep in touch, if they so wish.



17th October WCMAD Fundraiser (We Can Make A Difference)
7.00 pm St Aidan's Club (Parish Club) (Shared Table)
19th October World Mission Sunday

Save the Date

WCMAD Meetings:

Interested in our projects, traveling to Romania or helping with fundraising? Join us on November 9th 2025, March 8th, and July 12th 2026 at 12.30pm after the tea club to learn more and get involved!

ONE SUNDAY MASS

On Sunday, 19th October (World Mission Sunday) there will be one Mass only at 10.30am.



From the following weekend (25th–26th October), we will continue with a single Sunday Mass, coinciding with the clocks going back on Monday, 26th October.

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 07779 328 414. 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.



Becoming a Catholic

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic - or if you were baptised a Catholic but never made your Confirmation or Holy Communion. Please start attending Mass at St. Aidan and St. Agnes. You will have the opportunity to come to know the parish community.

Please make yourself known to Christine Ball or Fr. Anton (contact details in this newsletter).

Those who attend Mass regularly and become part of this community will be baptised or received into full Communion with the Catholic Church at Easter.