

**Sunday 30th of August 2020**



**First Reading**

Prophet Jeremiah 20:7-9

**Responsorial Psalm**

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God

**Second Reading**

St Paul to the Romans 12: 1-2

**Gospel Acclamation**

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

**Gospel Reading**

Matthew 16: 21-27

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**www.stagnes-staidan.org.uk**

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# The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

NEWSLETTER



**Sunday 30th August 2020**

**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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***

Amy Adair, Tricia Andrews, Carol Atkinson, Baby Grace, Baby Sonny,  
Joanne Baduna, Batey family Nick Berentzen, Elsie Blundell, Philip Bromwell, Triona Bromwell,  
Sophie Bond, Paul Bullen, Henry Carpenter, Aaron Carmichael, Margaret Chandler,  
Rita Connelly, Thomas Clegg, Nicholas Cragg, Janet & Ray Cragg, John Cunningham,  
Marie D'Arcy, Mary Davis, Nathan Davies, Annette Devine, Graham Dawson, Sarah Doherty,  
Eddie Doran, Maria Edge, Margaret Edmondson, Nancy Evans, Cath Fadden, Paula Fitzpatrick,  
Margaret Flynn, Collette Garlick, Janine Garvey, George Gibbons,  
Wyn Graham, Nick Gregory, Fr. Bernard Higham, Amanda Hill, Joseph Hill, Christina Hill,  
Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Ann Holden, Barbara & Mike Holman, Kathleen Hughes, Marie Hunter,  
Joe, Jimmy Jones, Eileen Joyce, Kathleen Keenan, Marie Keight, Patrick Kelly, John Kennedy,  
Molly Kennedy, Kathy Latham, Kathleen Lawrence, Margaret Leadbetter, Sr. Ann, Christine Lees,  
Averyll Fairfield Logan, Peter Lovelady, Mary Lydiat, Mrs Lynch, Brenda McArdle, Rita McCartney,  
Lawrence McClintock, Sr Maureen McCollum, Bernard McCormick, Susan McDougalle,  
Maureen McGurk, Caelan McKeown, Patrick McKeown, Jennifer McKeown,  
Susan & Alan McKeown, Jennifer McLaughlin, Alan McMahon, Kay McNeill,  
Roisin & Padraig McRory, Pat Madden, Marion, Colette Martin, Kayleigh Martin, Terry Martin,  
Jerome Mitchell, Laura Mitchell, Mave Mooney, Joan Moran, Steve Moore, Deacon Joe Morgan,  
Aidan Morris, Fr. Simon, Norma Mudge, John Mulcahey, Jane Murney, Margaret Murphy,  
Marie McFarlane, Hazel Naylor, Pam Nugent, Terry Naylor, Madeline O'Hare,  
Maisie Linda O'Keefe, Paul, Jacqueline Patel, Wendy Paveley, Clare Pendleton, Wyn Pickup,  
Maisie Pritchard, Alison Randles, Alan Ratcliffe, Josie Riley, Bernard Riley, Sandra Rowley,  
Rose Sankey, Philip Simmins, Bob Singleton, Bel Smith, Steve Smith, James Soundie,  
Maggie Steward, Edward Tarouilly, Breige Treanor, Mary Waldron, Frances Walsh,  
Fr Nicholas Wild, Kate Williams, Anthony Wilson, Anthony Winrow, Bill York

### Lately Deceased

Philip Bettle

### Anniversaries

John Cosgrove, Margaret McNabb,

### **Sanctuary Lamps week beginning 30th August 2020**

**St Aidan** - People persecuted by their own government and forced to flee their country.

***Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass***

***Intention, an Anniversary or anyone adding to the Prayer List.***

***Thank you for your support during this difficult time.***

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday 29th August– Memorial of the Passion of St John the Baptist

**St. Agnes** 5.30pm — Tom Costello, Kathy Worrel.

### Sunday 30th August—Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

**St. Agnes** Mass 9.30 am — In Thanks-giving for prayers answered, David Murphy

**St. Agnes** Mass 11.00 am — Steve Sheridan, Ste Rimmer

### Monday 31st August—

### Tuesday 1st September

### Wednesday 2nd September -

**St Agnes** Mass 7.30 p.m.— Tony Kehoe, Parish Club

### Thursday 3rd September— Feast of St Gregory The Great, Pope and Doctor

### Friday 4th September —

**St Aidan** 12 noon - Sarah Williams, Fr. Bernard Higham.

### Saturday 5th September –

**St. Agnes** 5.30pm — Fionna Gallardo Sarti, Fred Pruden

### Sunday 6th September —Twenty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

**St. Agnes** Mass 9.30 am — Bill Carmichael, Margaret Sergison

**St. Agnes** Mass 11.00 am — Phil Gallagher, Austin Riley

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

## Parish Funding During the Coronavirus Lockdown

It is always difficult to approach financial matters, but as you know, the Coronavirus has had far reaching implications, one of which is the significant decrease in monetary contributions to the parish because of Lockdown. If you are not yet able to return to Mass and would still like to make a contribution, please consider the following:

We would like to invite those parishioners who normally give to the weekly collection at Sunday Mass, either in envelopes or cash, and feel able to continue to do so, to consider setting up a monthly standing order for an equivalent amount.

Please contact us by e-mail ([agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk](mailto:agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk)) or phone (0151 489 3085) and we will provide you with the relevant account details.

## Another New and easy way of contributing to Sts. Aidan and Agnes

Text giving is now available for each parish and the details below are ready to use for accepting both one-off and regular donations. Please note all texts cost the amount you donate plus one standard rate message

### **For St. Aidan**

Text **AIDAN** to 70085 to donate £2..  
Text **AIDAN** to 70450 to donate £3..  
Text **AIDAN** to 70460 to donate £5..  
Text **AIDAN** to 70470 to donate £10.

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Many Thanks for your kind generosity!  
*Fr. Anton Fernandopulle*

## **Our True Self**

On our spiritual journey we often take 3 steps forward and two (or more!) steps backward. This is clearly illustrated in the character of St. Peter. In last week's gospel Peter has an epiphany of who Jesus is: the Christ, the anointed one, the Divine Presence which pervades all creation. His profession of faith reveals a deep understanding of the Christ Mystery. When in today's gospel Peter refuses to believe in Jesus' predictions of his suffering and death, he shows that his way of thinking is no longer God's way. Jesus then tells Peter that in order to fully participate in the Christ Mystery, we need to "lose our self to find our self." Jesus said this very clearly in several different settings.

Many spiritual writers speak of the false self and the True Self. The false self is who we think we are but thinking doesn't make it so. The false self dies and passes away. Yet it is the raw material through which we discover our True Self in God. And who we are in God is who we are. And who we are in God will live forever. Life is not a matter of creating a special name for ourselves, but of uncovering the name we have always had. Some form of suffering or death—psychological, spiritual, relational, or physical—is the only way we will loosen our ties to our false self and surrender ourselves to the process of transformation into our true self. We will then discover that the true self is who we already were all along, but we didn't know it. We didn't know how to live consciously out of that deep place of union. If we're living from the true self, we're going to live from connection and communion with God, with everyone, with everything.

(Richard Rohr)

"We shall not cease from exploration and the end of all our exploring will be to arrive where we started and know the place for the first time."

T.S. Eliot

## IMPORTANT BAPTISM INFORMATION

Would you like your child to be Baptised? Are they aged 8 or younger?

Because of current restrictions, we have had to make several changes to our Baptism preparation programme.

- 1) Please call the parish office (**0151 489 3085**). They will ask for an email address and you will be sent a link to a preparation video. You will need to answer 4 questions and email your responses to the parish office:  
[agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk](mailto:agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk)

Your child's opportunity to be Baptised is not determined by what you answer, but it is more an opportunity for you to reflect on what you are asking for.

- 2) In addition to this, you (parents or a parent and a Godparent or grandparent) will have to attend a very short meeting at St. Agnes church with Fr. Anton (& the parish Baptism preparation team).

The first of these meetings will be on **Wednesday 26th August 2020** after the 7:30pm Mass. If you would like to attend this, please contact the office by **Tuesday 25th August 2020**, midday, so that you will have time to access the video before the meeting.

Children may not attend this meeting and you will need to wear a face covering.

- 3) Once you have attended this meeting, you will need to phone the parish office to book a date for the baptism.

Unfortunately, due to COVID, Baptism groups are limited to 30 person including: parents, siblings of the child, godparents and grandparents.

These meetings will now take place on an allocated Wednesday after the 7:30pm Mass. We encourage you to come to Mass prior to the meeting.

A. Fernandopulle

## MARY'S MEALS

It is that time of year again when we will start collecting for Mary's Meal's. This will be the ninth year our parish has supported the school backpack project. .

Backpacks can be brought to any of the Masses this month.

**Please only donate the items requested on the list, as any other items may be removed at the sorting centre to avoid difficulties at customs and also when the bags are distributed in the villages.**

**A list of items required are as follows. A copy is also available in the Church porch.**

backpack / school bag  
exercise book / notepad  
pencil case with:

- 4 pencils
- 4 pens
- ruler
- crayons
- pencil sharpener
- eraser

flip flops / sandals  
shorts and t-shirt (for a boy)  
dress or skirt and blouse (for a girl)  
towel  
bar of soap  
toothpaste and toothbrush  
tennis ball  
dessert spoon

