Sunday 13th July 2025

First Reading Deuteronomy 30: 10-14

The word is very near you, so that you can do it

Responsorial Psalm

Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

Second Reading Colossians 1: 15-20

All things were created through him and for him

Gospel Acclamation

Your works, O Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of eternal life.

Gospel Reading Luke 10: 25-37

Who is my neighbours?

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

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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 12th July

Mass 5.30pm - Cathy Burke, Gerrard Corner

Sunday 13th July - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary time (Sunday Prayer for Seafarers)

Mass 9.00 am - Liam Hampson, Alex Fraser

Mass 10.30 am - Gabriel Santer, Tony Feery

Monday 14th July - St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Doctor

9.30 a.m. Celebration of the Word and Communion

Wednesday 16th July

Funeral Service 12.00 pm - Anthony Rule

Mass 7.30 pm - Joe Kearns

Saturday 19th July

Mass 5.30pm - Peter & Nellie Lynch, Kath James

Sunday 20th July - Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.00 am - Michael Bruder, Susan Jagot

Mass 10.30 am - John Kane, Parish Volunteers running summer camp in Romania

Confessions: Saturday 5pm - 5.20pm (or by appointment)



To love another person is to see the face of God

So often we see in the Gospels that Jesus uses the art of story - telling to help us listen to his teaching with our heart. In his head the lawyer in today's story knew the answer to his own question about 'inheriting eternal life.' It would appear that he hadn't *experienced* what it meant to love God with all his heart, because he had to ask another question, "Who is my neighbour?"

'When we listen with the heart there is a meeting with the eternal' [1] and we experience eternal life here and now. We have our personal moments of awareness that it is 'in God that we all live and move and have our being.' [2] The more often we sit in silence with this reality, the deeper will be our experience that we are being called to recognise and respond to God's loving presence in ourselves and in every single person we meet. 'In and with God, we can love everything and everyone - even our enemies. Alone and by ourselves, our willpower and intellect will seldom be able to love in difficult situations.' [3] We may not love what a person *does*, but Jesus is asking us to love the person because of who he/she *is*.

Jesus' parable illustrates that 'how we love is how we have accessed Love.' [3] 'Were the priest and the Levite on the way to the Temple? If so, they could not risk coming into contact with the injured man who was almost certainly bleeding. Contact with blood would render them "unclean" and keep them out of the Temple and their worshipping of God there. It was clear to them where their priorities lay.' [4] 'What they failed to realise was that God could be worshipped right there by responding to the needs of the wounded man. How often do we need to remind ourselves that Love is not about being correct, but in being connected?' [3]

'Devout Jews also regarded Samaritans as outsiders, heretics, people not to be seen in company with.' [4] How does our opinion of our status in society prevent us from remembering that we are all created in God's image?

'It was the Samaritan, the despised outsider, who was moved with compassion for the victim lying on the road. This is not at all the same as pity. Pity suggests looking at the victim from a superior position. Compassion implies fellow-feeling, identifying with the pain and suffering of others; empathy, not just sympathy, being sorry *with*, not just sorry *for*.' [4]

To love our neighbour is to look upon the face of anyone and say: "You are a part of me I do not yet know. I will listen to your story." [5]

Adapted: [1] Malcolm Guite [2] Acts 17:28 [3] Richard Rohr [4] Living space [5] Valarie Kaur [6] Les Miserables

IMPORTANT HELPLINES

These times are very difficult. There is help available. This list is not extensive, but here are some numbers. Please don't struggle alone!

Domestic violence or abuse

- National Domestic Abuse Helpline: 0800 2000 247
- The First Step: 0151 548 3333
- Women's Aid Domestic Violence Helpline: 0808 2000 247Free 24-hour national helpline run by Women's Aid and Refuge.
- Men's Advice Line: 0808 801 0327Confidential helpline for male victims of domestic abuse. Samaritans: 116 123

Call us any time, day or night. Whatever you're going through, you can call from any phone, at any `time for free or email: jo@samaritans.org

- Shout: offers assistance by text 24 hours a day. Text 85258 to speak to a trained volunteer.
- **Childline: 0800 1111** If you're aged under 19, you can contact Childline for advice and mental health support.
- Drinkline: 0300 123 1110 is the national alcohol helpline, which can be contacted confidentially
- Action Fraud: 0300 123 2040
- Mind, the mental health charity 0300 123 3393 Email: info@mind.org.uk.

GARDENER'S CLUB

The Parish Gardeners Club is looking for more volunteers to help maintain the Parish Garden. They meet every Monday morning to tidy up the garden, followed by a social gathering with a bite to eat. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in gardening and socializing. Whether you are a parishioner or not, all are welcome to join the group. Please feel free to reach out to your extended family and friends who may be interested in getting

involved. For more details contact Bryan Blois 077725097814

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



Volunteers

We are always looking for volunteers to help with all aspects of parish life. If you would like to know more about how you can become involved, please send us an email or contact the parish office to see what opportunities there are.

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, Doris Benette, Catherine Bennion, Sheila Birch, Trina Bromwell, Anita Campbell, Margaret & Gordon Caruthers, Violet Chadwick, Grace Cheeseman-Woolerton, Ann Clague, John Clintworth, James Corbett, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Marie D'arcy, Janet Davies, Despina, Patricia Fisher, Joseph Hill, Claire Hindley, Sue Hodgson, Barbara Holman, Marie Hunter, Claire Illingworth, Joelle, Peggy Kane, Dennis Ling, Ray Lloyd, Sheila McGrattan, Maureen, Michael & Lawrence McClintock, 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, 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

Joan Morris, Anthony Rule

Anniversary

Albert Harrison, Marion Molden, Kathleen Keenan

Sanctuary Lamp week 13th July - Parish Volunteers running summer camp in Romania

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 <u>office as much advanced warning as possible.</u> 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 4th August

If you wish to have your child baptised, you must contact the Parish Office on 0151 489 3085 and vou 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 23rd July 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 20th July

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'

Tuesday 22nd July 2025 In the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community Room

- Community Prayer Circle (1-3pm)
- Music Group (7 pm)

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 July



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.

St Swithin's, Gillmoss (now merged with Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs, Croxteth)

On Tuesday 15 July, St Swithin's, Gillmoss (now merged with Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs, Croxteth) will celebrate its 600th anniversary since the first Mass on the site. To mark the occasion, a Mass will be held on the site of the old church (next to Swithin's Cemetery). Bishop Tom Neylon will preside.

Mass is at 6:30pm followed by refreshments in Queen of Martyrs Parish Centre. All welcome.

Huyton Family of Parishes - Pulpit Sharing

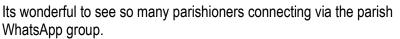
The priests of our parishes have been moving around the family of parishes over various weekends during this year to celebrate the weekend Masses with you. This weekend we welcome Fr David Gamble

Please do make him welcome when he visits us.

It is hoped that by the end of the year each priest will have celebrated Mass in every church in our Family of Parishes.

Save the Date	
10th August	International Table
17th October	WCMAD Fundraiser (We Can Make A Difference) St Aidan's Club (Parish Club)
19th October	World Mission Sunday

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.

