



## Romania & Suriname Projects



If you are a parishioner who is 18+ and regularly worship at St. Agnes or St. Aidan's you may like to help on our projects in Romania or Suriname. There will be a group on Thursday 11 September at 7.00 pm at 92 Adswood Road.

### Lourdes Petitions

If you have prayer petitions you would like the group to take to Lourdes, we will leave them at the grotto for you. Please hand your petitions to Fr. Anton or one of the group by 30th August.

St Aidan's BBQ  
31st August 2014

Those who can help with any suggestion's or idea's for the BBQ please meet in my house 92 Adswood road at 7pm on Thursday 27th August.

Fr Anton.

### Car Boot Sale - 30 August

This will be on the last Saturday of every month from 8am - 12pm (£5 per table) in the car park at St Agnes parish club, Huyton Hey Road/St Mary's Road.

Please ring the office to book a place. 0151 489 3085



### RCIA

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic (or was baptised Catholic but hasn't made their communion or been confirmed and would like to complete the sacraments of initiation), please contact the office or Claire Ball 07899937948 The RCIA course will start in December.

### St Agnes Altar Servers

The next practice is on Saturday 6th September at 11 am in Church. New servers who wish to join the altar server team are welcome to come along....

### St Aidan's Mission Boxes

Due to a number of St Aidan's parishioners being in Lourdes from 2nd the mission boxes will be emptied from Monday 8th September. Thank you for your continued support.

Anne Whelan

# The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan

## NEWSLETTER



**Sunday 24th August 2014**  
**21st Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
**Year A**

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**

Dougie & May Hayhurst, Sue Johnson, Margaret Maguire, Bill Jones,  
 John Hunter, Rose Bryan, Daisy May, Clare Deane, Martin Thomas, Craig Wilson,  
 Pauline Campbell, May Cooper, Tricia Robinson, Ryan Johnson, June Hunt, Marie Mills,  
 Brian Whiteacre, Barbara Shervall, Marie Keights, Ian Gordon, Dorothy Kelly,  
 Bernard Foley, Mary Parker, Maureen Lincoln, Mia Lewsey, Margie, Dean Easton,  
 Michael Williams, Terry Thompson, Maisy Eason, Rose Saunders, Anne Nolan, Nel Jorden,  
 Jim Phillips, Lawrence McClintock, Nicky Allen, Joe Muraski, Marie D'Arcy, Betty Johns,  
 Christopher Massam, Marion Fallon, Frank & Joan McCann, Vera Cummins, Rose Rimmer,  
 Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess, James Soundie, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn,  
 Tony Clintworth, Lynn McNabb, Aidan Morris, Maria Edge, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell,  
 Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Vera Murphy, Mary Organ, Sandra Rowley, Phil Ridler,  
 Josie Campbell, Winnie Witter, Peggy Skidmore, Eddie Doran, Angela Fleetwood,  
 George Gibbons, Mary Fullerton, Rose Rawlinson, Marie Higgins, Averyll Fairfield Logan,  
 Carol Atkinson, Brendan Reilly, Christine Lees, Jennifer Hewitt, Joseph Hill, Jenny Pye,  
 Susan McDougalle, Pat Madden, Mary Lyons, Eileen Mooney, Philip Gallagher,  
 Carl Atkinson, Ursula Erfani Clare Pendleton, James Taylor, Rose Sankey, Marion,  
 Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Dolly Morten, Kay McNeill, Jennifer McLaughin, Arthur Jones,  
 Caelan McKeown, Michael McDonough, Margaret Flynn, Colette Wilson, Wyn Graham,  
 Aaron Carmichael, Triona Bromwell, Geraldine Kelly, Patrick McKeown, Janet & Ray  
 Cragg, Maisie Pritchard, Linda O'Keefe, Margaret Sergison, Josie Tinsley  
 Geraldine, Roisin & Padraig McRory, Margaret Murray, Josie Riley, James Skeath,  
 Anthony Winrow, Jimmy O'Neil, Philip Malone, William Stove, Martin Thomas,  
 Sr. Ann Collette Garlick, Maureen Quinn, Kathleen Hughes, Nancy Evans, Jimmy Jones.  
 Helen Stone, Anthony Wilson

**There are a number of young adults in our parishes who are terminally ill at the moment. Please remember them and their families specially in your prayers.**

#### Lately Dead

#### Anniversaries

Margaret Kinsella, Eddie Devlin, Steve Sheridan, Rose Ann Foran, Michael Thomas,  
 Pat Cardwell, Denis Coleman, William Fisher, Eugene Fitzsimmons, David Goodall.

### Sanctuary Lamps

This week 24th August

**St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp - Parishioners of St Agnes**

**St Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp - Parishioners of St. Agnes**

Please ensure that details of your dedication are written on the front of the envelope and placed in the black post box in the Sacristy.

**Please enter your Gift Aid Number if you have one. Thank you.**



in which she or he was embedded: family, clan, nation and religion. Paul, for example, identifies himself as "a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee". Earlier in the gospel, the people of Jesus' hometown identify him as "the carpenter's son", whose mother is Mary and whose brothers are James, Joseph, Simon, Judas and who also has sisters. In addition, in such a culture, the perceptions of others also help to shape a person's identity.

In today's gospel, Jesus seeks out others' perceptions as he solidifies his understanding of himself. The disciples first report that people align Jesus with revered prophets: John the Baptist, Elijah, Jeremiah. While there are many parallels between Jesus and these prophets, Matthew clearly distinguishes Jesus from them. He is the "more powerful" one "coming after" John. And it is John who embodies the returned Elijah.

As Jesus presses the disciples for their own response, Peter, the spokesperson for the group, rightly declares, "You are the Messiah [*christos*]". This is the term used in the Old Testament for one who is set apart by God for particular service, such as kings, priests and prophets. That Jesus is *christos*, "anointed", is not a new revelation in Matthew's Gospel. But the nature of Jesus' messiahship as entailing suffering and death is mentioned for the first time in the gospel for next Sunday.

As Jesus' identity emerges and solidifies, so too does that of Peter. Jesus exalts the emerging rocklike faith of Peter and of the whole community of disciples whose identity is tied up in that of Jesus. Yet the "rock" will falter when confronted with the stumbling block of Jesus' passion. Nonetheless, as the gospel progresses, Jesus continues to call him "Peter", enabling him to become what he is named. Just as the disciples' naming of Jesus as "Messiah" and partnering with him in his messianic mission enabled him to embrace all that being the "anointed" one entailed, so too Jesus' identification of the believing community as "rock solid" brought forth that quality in them. Likewise, we are invited to let Jesus and our faith community call forth our deepest identity as followers of the anointed, whose solidity is sure.

### **PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE**

What is Jesus saying to you about your identity as his follower?

How are your gifts for mission identified by your faith community?

Who do you say you are?



### Mary's meals

The Backpack project is a simple way of helping children from poor families in countries like Malawi and Liberia get to school. Very often the parents of the children Mary's meals support cannot even afford to buy the basic things like pens, paper, even suitable clothes for their children to wear to school. And so their children miss out on school and the education that can help them escape from the poverty when they grow up. This is a wonderful opportunity for our parish to make a real difference to the future of these children. Most people will already have many of these items at home.

If anyone would like to become involved please find the information at the back of church. If you wish to buy a backpack and fill it with the items required, that would be fantastic. However, you may prefer to donate either the bag or any of the items from the 'Wanted' list and we will do the rest. Second hand clothing/uniform items are perfectly acceptable provided that they are in good condition.

The backpacks are for children aged between 4-14. **Please stick to only the items listed on the original forms provided at the back of Church.**

Donations and backpacks can be left at Church no later than Sunday 14th September 2014

For more information contact [amanda.badger@talktalk.net](mailto:amanda.badger@talktalk.net)

Have a look at the website to see the wonderful work they carry out: [www.marysmeals.org](http://www.marysmeals.org)



### **WHO DO YOU SAY YOU ARE?**

The question Jesus poses in today's gospel is not a pop quiz for the disciples. Since it comes halfway through Matthew's Gospel, at a critical turning point, we might be tempted to think Jesus is giving a kind of midterm exam to see how well the disciples are understanding him and to test whether they have what it takes to go the rest of the journey with him. But, the scene may also reflect Jesus' own development in understanding his identity and mission. Taking Jesus' humanity seriously, and recalling Luke's assertion that "Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour", we might say that in today's gospel and next Sunday's, we see a glimpse of Jesus' deepening understanding of what it meant to be "the Christ, the Son of the living God".

In contrast to modern Western cultures in which an individual expends energy trying to find a unique identity as a person distinct from other persons, in Jesus' culture, a person understood himself or herself only in relationship to the groups

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday 23rd August

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Rosemary Hastie, Tony & Francis Bartram

#### Sunday 24th August Twenty first Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Michael Thomas

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Denis Coleman

#### Monday 25th August

St Agnes 9.30 am – Celebration of the Word & Communion

#### Tuesday 26th August - Bl. Dominic Barberi

St. Aidan - Holy Hour 11am -12 Noon

#### Wednesday 27th August - St Monica

St Agnes 7.30pm - Celebration of The Word & Communion

#### Thursday 28th August - St Augustine

No Mass

#### Friday 29th August - Passion of St John the Baptist

St Aidan Mass 12 noon - Evan Lewis

#### Saturday 30th August - St Edmund Arrowsmith

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Hilda Logan, Margaret Collins

#### Sunday 31st August Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Joe Pottinger,

SI Wedding Anniversary Remembrance

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Walter Downey, Pat Cardwell

### Confessions

Saturday at St. Agnes 5-5.20 pm & Friday after 12 Noon Mass at St Aidan's  
(Until there is nobody waiting)

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

### Parish Collections

Sunday 17th August 2014

St Agnes - £782.72

St Aidan - £339.23

### July Standing Orders

St. Agnes - £898.00

St. Aidan - £184.00

St. Agnes' team to count: Team 4

***Thank you for your generous support***



Welcome to the Parish family of  
St Aidan & St Agnes

**Sadie Corrigan  
Lillie Florence Judith Ruane  
Bella Maria McMahon**

*Who will be baptised on  
Saturday 23rd August at  
St Aidan's Church.*

*Please remember these children in  
your prayers.*

### Welcoming Group

There will be a short meeting after mass on Sunday 31 August and your attendance would be appreciated if at all possible.

Thank you

### Baptism



### St. Aidan's Baptism

#### Preparation:

2nd Monday of the month in St. Aidan's church at 6:30pm

### St. Aidan's Baptisms:

3rd Sunday at 10:30am

4th Saturday at 12 noon

### St. Agnes' Baptism Preparation:

1st Tuesday of the month in  
St. Agnes' church at 7:30pm

### St. Agnes' Baptisms:

1st Sunday at 12:30pm

2nd Sunday at 2pm

If you wish to have your child baptised, you must contact the Parish Office on 489 3085 and you will be booked into a preparation meeting.

### Dates for your diary

31st Aug - St. Aidan's BBQ

17 Oct - WCMAD Fundraiser at  
St Aidan's Club

19 Nov - Holy Souls Mass - St Agnes

### Rosary at St. Aidan's



The Rosary will be prayed on the 1st Sunday of the month at 4pm in St. Aidan's.  
All are welcome.

### PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

#### Main Parish Office:

St Aidan's

92 Adswood Road

L36 7XR

#### Office Hours:

Monday 9am - 12.30pm

Tuesday 9.30am - 12.30pm

Wednesday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Thursday 10am - 4pm

Friday 9am - 4pm

#### All Enquiries to

**Tel/Fax : 0151 489 3085**

St Agnes Church

82 Huyton Hey Road

L36 5SQ

*For Mass Cards etc*

(Church no. 0151 449 2209)

Also available from St Aidan's Church

0151 489-3085

**Newsletter items by Thursday morning to Main Parish Office**

New Email Address:

agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk

#### For your information

**Parish Newsletters are posted on Parish Website every week.**

Parish Web Site-

Parishes-of-stagnes-  
staidans.org.uk

### PARISH CONTACTS



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#### Sisters of St. Mary of Namur

Sr. Barbara - 0151 228 2239

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#### Primary Schools

St. Aidan

0151 477 8370

St. Joseph

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St. Anne's

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#### Parish Clergy

**Parish Priest**

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Deacon: Mike Whelan

St Aidan Parish Club

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