

Sunday 21st May 2023



First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 1: 12-14

All joined in continuous prayer

Responsorial Psalm:

**I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in
the land of the living**

Second Reading: St Peter 4: 13-16

*It is a blessing for you when they insult you for
bearing the name of Christ*

Gospel Acclamation:

**I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;
I will come back to you, and your hearts will
be full of joy.**

Gospel: John 17:1-11

Father, glorify your Son

NEW OFFICE/CHURCH

Parish Office:

82 Huyton Hey Road L36 5SQ

Tel: 0151 489 3085

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 1.00 pm

Email Address:

agnesaidan@rcaol.org.uk

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

SISTERS:

Helpers of the Holy Souls

Sr. Elizabeth 0151 480 7904

Sr. Mary Rose 0151 482 6895

Daughters of St. Paul 0151 487 8550

St. Mary of Namur 0151 489 1302

Deacon:

Mike Whelan

PRIMARY SCHOOLS:

St. Aidan 0151 477 8370

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Parish Priest

Fr. Anton Fernandopulle

0151 489 3085

(Resident in parish)

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NEWSLETTER

Sunday 21st May 2023

**7th Sunday of Easter
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.***

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 20th May

St Agnes 10.00 am - First Holy Communion Mass - St Anne's School

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Mass 5.30 pm - Frank Walsh, Religious Sisters of the Parish

Sunday 21st May - Seventh Sunday of Easter - World Communications Day

Mass 10.30 am - Helpers of the Holy Souls 150th Anniversary Celebration
James Taylor

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.

Monday 22nd May

9.30 am - *Celebration of the Word and Communion*

Requiem Mass 12 noon - Paul Murrell

Wednesday 24th May

7.30 pm - *Time to Remember Service*

Friday 26th May - Memorial of St Philip Neri, Priest

Funeral Service 1 pm - Anthony Scales

Saturday 27th May - Feast of St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

Mass 5.30 pm - Sandra & Ray Nelson, Fiona Gregory

Sunday 28th May - Pentecost Sunday

Mass 9.30 am - Pat Barlow, Diane Jackson

Mass 11.00 am - Matthew Cassidy, Tony McNamara

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



Car Boot Sale

Last Saturday of each month
8am to 12 noon
at St Agnes & St Aidan Church,
St Mary's Road/Huyton Hey Road.

£5 per table

To book a space ring **0151 489 3085**



Missing Parishioners

As parishioners we need to be aware that if we don't see anyone for a few weeks we should find out what has happened.

Sometimes it is due to the fact that a bus route has changed it's time and no longer ties in with the mass times.

Please contact the office as soon as possible if you become aware of anyone who has not been seen for a while and we will make arrangements for someone to keep in touch with them if they so wish.



If you would like the name of your loved one written in **The Gold Book**, situated near the St. Mary's Rd. entrance, please add the their name and the month they died to the list that can be found at the back of the church, or you can call the parish office (0151 489 3085) and ask for their name to be added to the list.

Community Prayer Circle:

Tuesday 23rd May 1-3pm A space to come together and pray for the needs of our parish and our local community All welcome. Bring a packed lunch with you. Tea and coffee served. For more information contact the parish office Tel: 0151 489 3085.

Music Group:

Next practice **23rd May 7pm** in the Sr Elizabeth Community Room. All welcome.

St Agnes Little Church and Welcoming Group

We are looking for new volunteers to be part of our Children's Liturgy Team. This would only mean a commitment of 20 minutes every six weeks, which equates to about 8 times a year. We would really welcome your help.

The only criteria: DBS check for safeguarding as required by the Archdiocese of Liverpool. Please ring the office for more information.

We are also looking for new members for our 'Welcoming' group to meet and greet people (& to handover hymn books and Newsletters) as they come into the church. If you are interested please contact the parish office or speak to a member of the welcoming group today. Many Thanks .

Celebrate

The words “glory” and “glorify” are not part of our everyday language and consequently we perhaps don’t relate to them in the same way as people living in Old and New Testament times. Various dictionaries give many familiar definitions of and synonyms for these words eg to glorify: to praise, honour, respect, revere, proclaim. We may also find these definitions difficult to relate to and they can make us think that glorifying God is something that **we do** in response to what **God does** or who we think God is and there may be an element of obligation in our response. This may be good but it isn’t the whole picture. As for everything in our lives, it’s not so much **what** we do or don’t do, but **why** we do or don’t do it.

In the Merriam-Webster thesaurus, one synonym given for the word ‘glorify’ is **celebrate**. We can immediately relate to this word. We all love a celebration. We are usually united in our reason why we celebrate a person or an event and we usually experience oneness with that person or event which leads to our spontaneous expression of that oneness in celebration. Henri Nouwen captures the reason why we celebrate when he talks about birthdays. ‘Birthdays are so important. On our birthdays we celebrate being alive. On our birthdays people can say to us, “Thank you for being!” On our birthdays let us be grateful for the gift of life.’

When we read today’s gospel, and if we use the word ‘celebrate’ instead of ‘glorify’ we may experience the oneness which is Jesus’ prayer for us. Catherine T. Nerney tells us that ‘oneness is less a goal towards which life is pressing, as it is a return to the truth in which we have always been held.’ Our growing awareness of this truth will lead us to gratefully celebrate [glorify] God’s life within everyone and within all creation.



Summer Camp in Romania



A group of parishioners will be travelling to Petrosani, Romania on 5th August for a week. We will be organising our first summer camp (since the Covid pandemic) for the children who attend the Maria Stein Children’s Centre. This is a centre for disadvantaged children to make school attendance a regularity.

We will be taking crafts and games to entertain the children each day and we would be grateful for any donations.

The group who will be travelling are to be commissioned on 30th July at 11.00 am mass.

Romania & Suriname Projects (WCMAD)

Prayer Requests

For those who are sick or in special need of our Prayers. Please advise the office if you wish to add someone to our Prayer list. Please also let us know if a name can be removed from the list.

Nita Ambrose, Ellie Beaton, Sheryl Brodie, Triona Bromwell, Violet Chadwick, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Celia Cunningham, Jackie Cureton, Susan Curran, Marie D’acy, John Davies, Ted Davies, Despina, Annette Devine, Kerry Patricia Doherty, Pauline Ellison, Patricia Fisher, Violet Fitzgerald, Gary Halliday, Karen Haynes, Victoria Hill, Barbara & Mike Holman, Jeanette Howard, Steve Hughes, Charles Jefferies, Craig Johnstone, Brian Keoghan, Marie McFarlane, Tony McIver, Alan McKeown, Susan McKeown, Thomas Mansfield, Peter Markey, Millie Martin, John Mitchell, Frank Molloy, Rosie Morley, Jane Murney, Catherine Merrutia, Kerry Patricia, Claire Pendleton, Margaret Quixley, Maureen Robinson, Baby Rory, Theresa Rossiter, Marie Salkeld, Betty Savage, Donna Sothern, Tommy, Billy Turner, Mike Twigg, Vaclava Vilgosova, Frank Walsh, Pamela Watson, Meryl & Tony Wernham, Amy Wilson, Brian Wilson, John Wilson.

Lately Deceased

Brian Clintworth, Pat Barlow, Diane Jackson

Anniversaries

Tony McNamara, Matthew Cassidy, Teresa Hodgers

Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 21st May: Staff in our Primary Schools

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

Monthly Craft Group

Our next get together will be on Thursday 25th May 11am—1pm in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room.

Baptism

Baptism Preparation meeting:
First Monday of each month at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be on Monday, 5th June

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: 1st Sunday and 2nd Sunday at 1.30pm & 2.30pm (Fr. Anton)
4th Sunday at 1.30pm and 2.30 pm (Deacon)

We would like to invite everyone to dedicate each Wednesday to pray for refugees and asylum seekers, especially those loved and cared for by the SHARE Knowsley team.

There are prayer cards and candles available at the back of church; please take one home and join together each Wednesday in prayer.



Lourdes Pilgrimage 21st July 2023



Could all parishioners travelling to Lourdes let the office have their passport details

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 21st May

Please also follow the Instagram and Facebook page for the Group, or drop me a message for more information.

Instagram: St.Agnes_St.Aidan_LGBTQ & on **Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/580539512933145/?ref=share>
Facebook: 'Parishes of St. Agnes and St. Aidan's LGBTQ+ Social Group'



Hope to see you here!

Holly (she/her) Group Leader

Lourdes At Home

Venue: Irenaeus Centre

Time: 10am - 4pm

Date: Saturday 15th July 2023

Cost: £10 - suggested donation

THANK YOU

Standing Order Offering Appeal

Thanks to all those who have begun Standing Order offerings through their banks. We really appreciate your support for the up-keep of the parish.

I would like to encourage those who are yet to take their forms to their relevant banks to kindly do so as soon as possible

Fr Anton

NEW MEMBERS WANTED FOR LOCAL UKULELE GROUP

We do not teach but you can learn and improve with the group
If you are interested please call
Bryan 07725097814 or
Margaret 07919967848



PARISH PENSIONERS' CLUB



Next meeting on 24th May
1pm until 3 pm In the parish meeting room (Sr Elizabeth Kelly room)

New Members will be made more than welcome

Thanks. Sharon, Mary and Pat

KNOWSLEY YOUNG ADVENTURERS

To provide the young people in the community the chance to enjoy themselves with friends and develop important personal and independence skills by participating in team building and leadership challenges during adventurous activities that are given in an inclusive, safe and secure environment

We meet every Friday at:
St Agnes and St Aidan's Parish Church
82 Huyton Hey Road, Huyton L36 5SQ

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 21st May - 10.30 am mass celebrating 150th Anniversary of the 'Helpers of the Holy Souls' ministry in England
- 24th May - Time to Remember Service 7.30pm
- 9th July - Parish Barbecue
Following 10.30 am Mass
Feast of St Agnes & St Aidan
- 12th July **7.00 pm** Confirmation by Bishop Tom Naylor
- 15th July - Lourdes At Home
Irenaeus Centre
- 21st July - Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes
- 27th August - International Table
Following 10.30 am Mass
- 15th September - WCMAD Fundraiser at St Aidan's Parish Club
- 22nd October - World Mission Sunday
- 24th November - Winter Night at St Aidan's Parish Club