The Parish of St. Agnes & St. Aidan

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Sunday 8th Nov 2026 – Remembrance Sunday & International Table Fellowship (32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A)

Don't Miss:

- **International Table 8th November 10.30am**
- **Youth Sunday – 22nd November**
- Revolution of the Heart – Dorothy Day Story **29th November 7 pm**
- **WCMAD Fundraiser 4th December**

Scan the QR code, using your phone's camera to join the parish WhatsApp Group.

Stay Connected:

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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.

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Liverpool Roman Catholic Archdiocesan Trustees Inc. Reg. Charity No. 1199714 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

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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.

Tom Addison, Tricia Andrews, Lynn Ashton, Doris Benette, Catherine Bennion, Shona Blackey, Marie Bowden, Trina Bromwell, Violet Chadwick, Malinda Narth Asela Chandrarathne, Grace Cheeseman-Woolerton, John Clintworth, Victoria Coffey, Sr Mary Connell, James Corbett, Janet, Ray and Nicholas Cragg, Marie D'arcy, Collette Davies, Janet Davies, Despina, Ellis, Patricia Fisher, Dr Jeremy Gardener, Alison Hardman, Joseph Hill, Christina Hill, Victoria Hill, Claire Hindley, Sue Hodgson, Marie Hunter, Claire Illingworth, Barry James, Joelle, Kim Jackson, Peggy Kane, Brian Keoghan, Dennis Ling, Ray Lloyd, Sheila McGrattan, Maureen, Dee McCloy, Michael & Lawrence McClintock, Pat McCloy, Alan McKeown, Joe March, Patricia Markey, Cathy McMurrie, Tim Merritt, Peter Muldoon, Ann-Marie Naylor, Kathleen O'Gorman, Louise Owens, Clare Pendleton Ged Privilege, Julie Quarless, Norman Reid, Mia Robinson, Nilma Cristina Rodrigo, Walter Runge, Marie Sanbter, Sara, Betty Savage, Sister Amelita Ventic, Joan Smith, Donna Sothern, Alan Spain, Sr Josephine Vassallo, Molly Wallis, Joan Walsh, Dylan Watson, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Emma Williamson, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe,

Recently Deceased:
Norma Lynam, Noreen Walsh, Lilian Corner

Anniversaries:
Patricia Wilson, Margaret Fearon, Bernard Weston, Ann Shields

Sanctuary Lamp Week 8th November – WCMAD (We can make a difference)

Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass Intention or an Anniversary. If you wish a Mass to be said on a specific date, please give the office as much advanced warning as possible. Please note: As in previous years Easter & Christmas masses will be for all the parishioners and not for individual intentions. Thank you.

What's On

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Saturday 7th November St Willibrord, Bishop	5:30 pm Mass	**Chris Westwater** **Elizabeth Head**
Sunday 8th November 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:30 am Mass	**Nannie Glavisky** **Honor Ambrose**
Monday 9th November Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	9:30 am Service	**Celebration of the Word and Communion**
Wednesday 11th November St Martin of Tours, Bishop	1.15 pm Funeral Service	***Anne Marie McNamara***
	7:00 pm Mass	**Mary Lynch** **Norma Lynam**
Friday13th November	12 noon Mass	**Charles Roberts** **Noreen Walsh**
Saturday 14th November	5:30 pm Mass	**Chrissie Pearson** **Lorna Sisson**
Sunday 15th November 33rd Sunday in Ord. Time	10:30 am Mass	**Stevenson Family** **Mrs Ellen Grundy**

Confessions: Saturday 5:00 pm – 5:20 pm (or by appointment)

Groups, Meetings, Activities

This Week			
Day, Date	**Time**	**What's On**	**Where**
Sun 8th Nov	11.30 am	International Table	Church & Sr E.K. Room
Tues 10th Nov	1:00 pm	Prayer Group	Sr. E.K. Room
Tues 10th Nov	7:30 pm	Music Group	Sr. E.K. Room
Wed 11th Nov	3:00 pm	Parish Pensions Club	Sr. E.K. Room
Next Week			
Sun 15th Nov	6:00 pm	LGBTQ+ Social Group	Sr. E.K. Room
Tues 17th Nov	7:30 pm	Music Group	Sr. E.K. Room
Wed 18th Nov	5:30 pm	Prep for baptism children over 8 years of age	Sr. E.K. Room
Sun 22nd Nov	10 am -6 pm	Youth Fest 2026 (See QR code at the back of the newsletter to book on)	LACE, Croxteth Drive, L17 1AA

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Sunday

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 15th November

Instagram: St.Agnes_St.Aidan_LGBTQ

Facebook: 'Parishes of Sts Agnes & Aidan's LGBTQ+ Social Group'

Monday

Baptism Preparation meeting

First Monday of each month at 7:30pm.

The next meeting will be on

MONDAY 7th December

If you wish to have your child baptised, 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 Mon or Wed from 10 am to 1 pm.

Tuesday



Prayer Group

10th November at 1.00pm.

We meet in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room. Please feel free to join us with a packed lunch

Music Group

We will meet on 10th November at 7.30pm.

As we approach the Christmas season, the music group will be practicing every Tuesday at 7.30pm in November for the Christmas Carol service which will be held on the **2nd December at 6.30pm**. Why not come along and be a part of it.

Wednesday

PARISH PENSIONERS' CLUB

Our next meeting will be on

11th November 2026 1 pm until 3 pm

in the parish meeting room (Sr Elizabeth Kelly room)

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 group of parishioners who have received training for this special ministry and have also experienced the loss of loved ones. 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 and an opportunity for quiet prayer should you wish.

Preparation for Baptism for Children over 8
Dates for the diary

This programme is for any child over the age of 8 who has not yet been baptised. We have already had the first meeting, so if you would like to take part in this year's programme, please contact the Parish office as soon as possible.

Please make a note of the following preparation dates on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Meeting Room:
November: 18th
December: 2nd

The children will be baptised during the 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday 5th December. Please keep the following children and their families in your prayers as they prepare for Baptism:
Jamie C, Autumn P, Alana C, Kim (Myles), Alan-John B.

Men's Clothing Appeal

Can You Help? SHARe Knowsley is seeking donations of clean, good-quality men's clothing to support people seeking asylum who are rebuilding their lives with dignity. We particularly need everyday clothing, coats, shoes and trainers in all sizes. We also welcome toiletries and women's clothes. Please bring them to SHARe at the Old School House, St John's Road, Huyton, Liverpool, L36 0UX (open Mon-Fri 9-5) or call 07915 252300. Many thanks in advance.

Saturday CARBOOT SALE



Saturday the 28th November 2026.
We invite more parish volunteers to help with our monthly car boot sale which supports our overseas mission projects through WCMAD- in Romania & Sri Lanka. This small act of service makes a real difference.

International Table

We are delighted to be holding our annual International Table on
Sunday 8th November 2026
As a parish community together with our CARJ group (Catholic Association for Racial Justice) we have always recognised the importance of understanding and celebrating our rich diversity.
Please join us for a special Mass followed by a shared table of food from across the globe. Celebrating that there is always more that connects us than divides us.
If you would like to dress in clothing representing different nationalities and cultures, please feel free to do so.
We have several dresses and shirts that celebrate many different nations. **You are welcome to come a little earlier to Mass to find something from our collection which will be displayed at the back of the church.** We particularly invite the children to do so. **Please bring food ready plated on the day of the event to the Sr. E. K. Room.**

Mass Intentions

Please include a name when completing a Mass Intention donation envelope.
Occasionally, we may have to cancel a weekday Mass at short notice.
If you are requesting a specific date, please give as much notice as possible.

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WCMAD Fundraiser Appeal

We are now preparing for our annual WCMAD (We Can Make a Difference) Fundraiser which will be on

4th December 2026

Please join us, with your families, for an evening of food – shared table, entertainment, and good company.

Tickets for this event are now available at the back of church at £3 per adult and 50p per child.

This is our main fundraiser of the year, and we would greatly appreciate your support in coming to the event and raising as much as possible for our projects in Romania, Sri Lanka and Suriname.

Revolution of the Heart:

The Dorothy Day Story

Thursday 19th November 2026

7pm in Sr E.K. Room

Follow Dorothy Day's journey from a young communist journalist to a Catholic convert, to the co-founder of The Catholic Worker movement that began as a newspaper to expose rampant injustices during the Great Depression. It soon expanded to become a network of 'houses of hospitality', to welcome the poor and destitute. This film profiles one of the most extraordinary and courageous women in American history. The FBI once considered her a threat to national security. Now, the Catholic Church is considering her for sainthood.

Parking

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



First Communion

Application forms should now have been submitted to the parish office.

There will be an important meeting for parents/ guardians on **Wednesday 25th November at 6 pm** in the church. Please make a note of this date in your diaries.

The First Communion dates for next year are:

St. Aidan's – **Saturday 8th May 2027 10:00 am**

St. Joseph's – **Saturday 8th May 2027 12:30 pm**

St. Anne's – **Saturday 15th May 2027 10 am and 12:30 pm.** (Times will be allocated by a draw once we have confirmed numbers)

All other schools – **Saturday 15th May 2027 3:00 pm**



Sri Lanka Holiday 2027 (January) – Fully Booked

Thank you for the interest in our Sri Lanka Holiday in January 2027, trip is now **fully booked**.

For those who were unable to secure a place, the **next Sri Lanka trip is planned for January 2028**. Further details will be available in due course. If interested, please contact the parish office on 0151-4893085.

Fr. Anton



Do I live in a state of preparedness?

'Jesus introduces today's parable by saying, "The kingdom of heaven will be like this…" We have learned that when Jesus speaks of the kingdom of heaven that it is far more than just a place good people go to when we die. The kingdom of heaven is a state of consciousness, a mindset which resonates with Jesus' own consciousness and mindset. St Paul tells us, "Have this mind in you that was in Christ Jesus." [1] 'The Kingdom of God is both already in our midst and is not yet. This parable teaches us how to live in this in-between time, how to live in readiness as though the kingdom is already here.' [2]

'Keeping in mind that symbolic language seems to be Jesus' preferred way of teaching spiritual realities, we could understand that in today's gospel passage the oil symbolises inner transformation. Richard Rohr calls it a ripening, a growing into Christ consciousness. It comes in its own time, but we each make a decision to seek it.' [2] 'The truth of this oil is that you have to have your own. One cannot develop spiritually by taking the consciousness and action of another as your own.'[3] 'Ensuring we have enough oil is something that we and only we can do. It is not that the wise virgins are selfish and refuse to share their oil; it's that it simply *cannot be done.'* [2]

'Each one of us makes our own journey; each one of us 'meets the Bridegroom' in our unique wonder-filled moments that come our way. We cannot make that journey for anyone else.' [4] No one can make that journey for us.

'The question is not, "Do I have time to prepare?" but "Do I live in a state of preparedness?" [5]

Adapted: [1] christchurchcanoncity.com [2] Martha Kirkpatrick [3] John Shea [4] Daniel O' Leary [5] Henri Nouwen

Additional Information

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Sunday 8th November 2026

First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is found by those who seek her

Responsorial Psalm:

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God

Second Reading: Thessalonians 4:13-18

Through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep

Gospel Acclamation:

Stay awake and be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:1-13

Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.

The Order of Mass can be found on

Scan the QR code to watch David Olusoga's BBC documentary: Empire.

Youth Sunday

Please scan the QR Code to find out more about this Archdiocese event on 22nd November 2026

PARISH CONTACTS

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Deacon:

Mike Whelan

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PARISH CLUB

St. Aidan:	07932 404 521

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