

Sunday 4th August 2024



First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4.12-15

I will rain down bread for you from the heavens

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord gave them bread from heaven

Second Reading:

St Paul to the Ephesians 4:17.20-24

Put on the new self that has been created in God's way.

Gospel Acclamation:

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me

Gospel: John 6:24-35

He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believe in me will never thirst.

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

OFFICE/CHURCH

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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

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The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

4th August Commissioning of new
Eucharistic Ministers and
Parishioners travelling to the
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**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
Year B**

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NEWSLETTER

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.

Saturday 3rd August

Mass 5.30 pm - Patsy Smith, Clare Maxwell

Sunday 4th August - Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.30 am - Sylvia Carbey, Betty Needham

Mass 11.00 am - Brenda Cubells, Alicia Bowdon

Monday 5th August

Funeral Service 10.00 am - Marion Molden

Wednesday 7th August

Mass 7.30 pm - Sr Mary Anh Salvilla, Sr Silvana Candian

Friday 9th August - Feast St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross/Patron of Europe

Requiem Mass 12 noon - Kathleen Keenan

Saturday 10th August - Feast of St Laurence Deacon & Martyr

Mass 5.30 pm - Patricia Morrissey, Jordan & Alesia

Sunday 11th August - Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.30 am - Marie McFarlane, Rose McLoughlan

Mass 11.00 am - Kathleen Keenan, Maria Robinson

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

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



Summer Camp in Romania



A group of parishioners will be travelling to Petrosani, Romania on **11th August for two weeks**. We will be organising a summer camp 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 4th August at 11.00 am mass.

Romania & Suriname Projects - We Can Make A Difference (WCMAD)

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.



PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THE CHANGE IN MASSS TIME

With effect from **Sunday 27th October 2024** we will be changing the time of our Sunday Mass to 10.30 a.m.

There will be one Sunday Mass only during the Winter Months.

Saturday Mass at 5.30 p.m. will remain the same.



Church security is everybody's responsibility

May I ask all those who go for walks in the area to spend a few minutes checking around the church grounds and report any vandalism or anti-social behaviour. We need to be alert to any people loitering around the property.

We appreciate everyone looking out for our church property.
Many Thanks

Fr. Anton

Come to Me. Believe in Me. Trust Me

'In today's first reading we are reminded that for 40 years God's people daily ate manna in the wilderness. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" for they did not know what it was. (The Aramaic *man hu* means "What is it?") Hungry, they chose to gather up that which was baffling. For more than 14,600 days they took their daily nourishment from that which they didn't comprehend. They ate the mystery. ***They ate the mystery.*** And the mystery, that which made no sense, was like "wafers made with honey" on their lips.' [1]

'When we find ourselves famished, groping for more, we can choose to live as the Israelites, gathering the incomprehensible manna of our life experiences, which may lead us to ask, "What is it all about? How can we allow these mysteries to nourish us? How can we fully live?" [1] We can find the answer to these questions in today's Gospel reading. "Come to me. Believe ***in*** me. Trust me." 'The crowd understood Jesus to be someone who would satisfy their material needs. It is easy to accept what we can see, feel and taste. To the people the physical nourishment of the bread was tangible and real. This week Jesus challenges them and us to see nourishment beyond this physical necessity. He wants us to be nourished with food that endures to eternal life.' [2] In John 17:3, we read that 'eternal life is to know God and Jesus Christ whom He has sent.' Do the choices we make each day nourish our hunger for a deeper experience of God who 'comes to us disguised as our lives?' [3]

If we continue to read Exodus 16 we will find that the Israelites were told to gather as much as they needed for each day. They were not to keep any of it until morning. Only on the sixth day could they gather twice as much. 'The Israelites learned that the manna God gave them was for their present need. Like them, we are invited to stay with God in the now, feeding us in ways we do not always understand, trusting that He will nourish and strengthen us tomorrow in the same way He does today. Tomorrow's need, whatever it is, can drive us to fear and to clinging to whatever we are familiar with, something we ***can see***. To trust in God is to be willing to trade it for what we ***can't see***.' [4]

"Come to me. Believe ***in*** me. Trust me."

Adapted: [1] Ann Voskamp [2] Living Liturgy [3] Paula D'Arcy [4] Laurie P. Short

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, George Boland, Violet Chadwick, Grace Cheeseman-Woolerton, John Clintworth, James Corbett, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Marie D'arcy, Despina, John Ging, Claire Hindley, Barbara Holman, Marie Hunter, Peggy Kane, John Kelly, Dennis Ling, Sheila McGrattan, Maureen & Michael McClintock, Tim Merritt, Frank Molloy, Ann-Marie Naylor, Michael O'Brien, Kathleen O'Gorman, Levinia Redpath, Mia Robinson, Betty Savage, Collette Stalford, Donna Sothern, Billy Turner, Mike Twigg, Sr Josephine Vassallo, Frank Walsh, Joan Walsh, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Tony Wernham, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe,

Lately Deceased

Thomas Jockins

Anniversaries

Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 4th August - Breastmates (Lydiate)

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

Baptism

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

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 ARE HELD ON:

1st Saturday 12 noon and 1.00 pm
1st Sunday 1.30 pm and 2.30 pm
4th Sunday 1.30 pm and 2.30 pm

BAPTISM CERTIFICATES

Can be obtained from the Parish Office. 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 on 14th August
1pm until 3pm in the parish meeting room
(Sr Elizabeth Kelly room)
New Members always welcome



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 18th August

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'

Pilgrimage to Italy

If you require any details about the pilgrimage to Italy please contact the office. We also need to know who will need transport to the airport either outward or return to enable the appropriate transport to be booked.

The deadline for booking transport is 9th August

Music Group: Music group are now on their summer break. Practice will recommence on Tuesday 3rd September at 7pm

Community Prayer Circle We would like to thank you all for trusting us with your heartfelt prayer intentions over the passed year. We will recommence face to face meets on Tuesday 3rd September with lunch at 1pm followed by praying for the needs of our parish community. All prayer requests deposited in the prayer boxes will continue to be collected each week and prayed over during summer break.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 3rd August Italy Trip Meeting 3.30 p.m.
4th August Commissioning of new Eucharistic Ministers and Parishioners travelling to the summer camp in Romania
6th Sept - Main WCMAD- Fundraiser in St Aidan's Parish Club
9th Sept - Parish Pilgrimage to Italy
27th Oct - World Mission Sunday (CARJ)



LUNCHEON CLUB

SS Agnes and Aidan Catholic Church
82 Huyton Hey Road, L36 5SQ

Wednesday 21st August at 12.30 pm
Wednesday 25th September at 12.30 pm
Wednesday 16th October at 12.30 pm
Wednesday 20th November at 12.30 pm
Wednesday 11th December at 12.30 pm

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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.



Parish WhatsApp Group

Its wonderful to see so many parishioners connecting via the 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 07779328414. 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.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

All those who would like to be baptised, confirmed or received into full communion with the Catholic church at the Easter Vigil 2025, kindly inform us by Sunday **18th August 2024** as this is the deadline for registration for the RCIA Programme.