Parish Collections

Sunday 18th February

St. Agnes - £611.83 St Aidan - £305.02

January Standing Orders

St. Agnes - £967.00 St. Aidan - £90.00

St. Agnes' team to count: Team 3

Special Collection: LENTEN ALMS

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Psalm: I will walk in the

presence of the Lord in

the land of the living.

Gospel Acc: From the bright cloud the

Father's voice was heard; 'This is my Son, the Beloved, Listen to

him!'

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

Preface: 38-39

St. Agnes' Little Church



Sunday, 4th March Janice plus one

Sunday, 18th March Kim and Paula



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 11am (Deacon) 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 & 2pm 4th Sunday at 12.30pm (Deacon)

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



Donations of good quality clothes can be left at the back of either church after Mass or handed in to the office.

They are also collecting any type of currency (coins or notes) including old English and Euros. The money is then sorted, bagged and sent to a coin exchange.

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The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan





Sunday 25th February 2018 Second Sunday of Lent Year B

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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.

Prayer Requests

For those who are sick or in special need of our Prayers

Vera Cummins, Philip Bromwell, James Soundie, Mary Organ, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Aidan Morris, Maria Edge, Kay McNeill, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Amy Adair, Phil Ridler, Eddie Doran, Sandra Rowley, Winnie Witter, Joseph Hill, Rose Sankey, George Gibbons, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Carol Atkinson, Sr. Ann. Christine Lees, Susan McDougalle, Pat Madden, Marion, James Taylor, Philip Gallagher, Ursula Erfani, Clare Pendleton, Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Wyn Graham, Josie Riley, Jennifer McLaughin, Caelan McKeown, Mary Davis, Jimmy Jones, Margaret Flynn, Aaron Carmichael. Triona Bromwell, Patrick McKeown, Maisie Pritchard, Janet & Ray Cragg, Maisie Linda O'Keefe, Margaret Sergison, Nancy Evans, Collette Garlick, Anthony Winrow, Nick Gregory, Kathleen Hughes, Philip Malone, Anthony Wilson, Nathan Davies, Mrs Lynch, Ann Gavin, Roisin & Padraig McRory, Jerome Mitchell, Lawrence McClintock, Pauline Irvine, Peter Kelly, John Kennedy, Laura Mitchell, Sophie Bond, Colette Martin, Jennifer McKeown, Christina Hill, Baby Sonny, Angela Smith, Alan McMahon, Graham Dawson, Kathleen Keenan, Kate Williams, John Humphry, Rose Rawlinson, Marie Hunter, Tommy Swift, Nicholas Cragg, Sarah Doherty, John McCormack, Eileen Critchley, Terry Martin, Fr. Bernard Higham, Michael Ryan, Stella Passey. Fr. Simon, John Mulcahey, Anna Leatherbarrow, Sr Egno, Bruce Dixon, Marjorie Clutton, Grace Fernando, Peter Lovelady, Margaret Murphy, Fr Nicholas Wild, Molly Kennedy, James Abraham. Ann Holden, Margaret Leadbetter, Mave Mooney, Brenda McArdle, Bridie Dillon, Gerry Reid, Frank Minghella,

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 Deceased

Angela McDonough, Josephine Corden, Richard Parry, Mary Griffiths, Patricia Mahoney, Tony Clintworth, Peter McIntyre

Anniversaries

Ann Hewitt, Eileen Bridget Lewis, Bob Moore, Nancy & Paul Cardwell, Valerie Malone

Sanctuary Lamps week beginning – 25th February, 2018

St. Agnes - Francis and Elizabeth McKeown

St. Aidan - Parishioners of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

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.

PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

Main Parish Office: St. Aidan 92 Adswood Road, L36 7XR Tel/fax: 0151 489 3085

Office Hours:

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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

St. Aidan's Parish Centre

Memberships available

MONDAY

Slimming World 3.30pm, 5.30pm & 7.30pm

TUESDAY

Slimming World 9.30am,11.30am

(Michelle: 07940181515)

Country Night 7.30pm

WEDNESDAY

Bingo at 1.00pm Quiz Night

THURSDAY

Bingo 7.30pm

SUNDAY

Cabaret Night

Function room for hire Friday, Saturday and noon Sunday. Provide your own catering or ask for a quote. All enquiries contact: **Jacqui on: 0151 489 9024**

PARISH CONTACTS

SISTERS:

Helpers of the Holy Souls

Elizabeth 0151 480 7904 Sr. Mary Rose 0151 482 6895

Sisters of St. Mary of Namur

 Sr. Barbara
 0151 481 0968

 Sr. Gabriel
 0151 489 1302

 Sr. Louise
 0151 489 1302

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 St. Aidan
 0151 477 8370

 St. Joseph
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 St. Anne's
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PARISH CLERGY:

Parish Priest

Rev. Fr. Anton Fernandopulle

0151 489 3085

Deacons:

Mike Whelan, Joe Morgan

PARISH CLUB

St Aidan: 0151 489 9024

'Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan'



Rosary at St. Aidan's

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



Quiet Time and Reflection

As we prepare for Lent, it is nice to be able to give ourselves a chance to find some quiet time in our busy week. For the 6 Friday's of Lent there will be opportunity to sit, reflect, pray or simply have a few moments of quiet to yourself in The Old Schoolhouse, Sheridan Quiet Room.

The hour will be accompanied by images, quotes and reflective music. Feel free to come and go within the time as you like.

When: Fridays 11am—12pm and repeated at 1pm—2pm

A simple lunch will be served in the Old Schoolhouse between 12pm and 1pm.



Welcome to the Parish family of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

Marco Burke

who will be baptised on Sunday, 25th February at St. Agnes

Please remember this child and his family in your prayers.



First Communion

Dates -

The dates for this year's First Communions are:

Saturday 9th June 2018 –10am St. Aidan's School

Saturday 16th June 2018 –10am St. Joseph's School

Saturday 16th June 2018 –12.30pm All other schools (St. Aidan's Church)

Saturday 23rd June 2018 –10am &12.30pm St. Anne's School

Please do not request a specific time as this cannot be catered to on an individual basis due to the large numbers of participants.

THURSDAY CLUB

We meet on a Thursday evening at 7pm in St Aidan's church. The group is aimed at people with physical and learning difficulties and we are looking for new members as well as new volunteers. If you know anyone who may be interested please let the office know.

St. Aidan's Little Church



Sunday, 4th March SallyAnn and Jane

Sunday, 11th March Jane and Caroline

Mass Intentions

Saturday 24th February

St. Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Rita Collins, Maria Moran

Sunday 25th February - Second Sunday of Lent

St. Aidan Mass 9.30am – Dorothy Keen, Monica Jones

St. Agnes Mass 11.00am - Jimmy Corness, Harry Wilson

Monday 26h February -

St. Agnes Funeral Service 10.15am - Angela McDonough St Aidan Funeral Service 1.30pm—Josephine Corden

Tuesday 27th February

St. Agnes Funeral Service 2.00pm - Richard Parry

Wednesday 28th February

St. Agnes Requiem Mass 11.00am - Mary Griffiths

St. Agnes Mass 7.30pm - Ian Clarke

Thursday 1st March - Feast of the St. David, Patron of Wales

St Agnes Funeral Service 2.15pm—Patricia Mahoney

Friday 2nd March

St. Aidan Mass 12 noon – Parish Volunteers St Aidan 7.30pm -Stations of The Cross

Saturday 3rd March

St. Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Edmund Steven

Sunday 4th March - Third Sunday of Lent

St. Aidan Mass 9.30am – Josie Mulcahev

St. Agnes Mass 11.00am - John and Anthony Murray, Michael & Mary Browne

Confessions: Saturday at St. Agnes 5pm- 5.20pm and Friday after 12 noon Mass at St Aidan's (Until there is nobody waiting)

Behold Who You Are, Become What You See

Most of us, I suspect. At some point each day, look in a mirror. We check our hair, our makeup, our teeth, our clothes. Mirrors show us what we look like. While it might be important to know what we look like, it's more important to know who we are. The Transfiguration of Christ shows us who we are. It reveals our origin, our purpose, and the end to which we must aim. Mirrors show external appearances. The Transfiguration, however, shows the archetypal beauty within creation and humanity. This means that the Transfiguration is not just an event in history, a happening that begins and ends. It is, rather, a condition or a way of being. The Transfiguration reveals a present reality. The Transfiguration is already within us and creation.

At times it seems our lives and the world are more disfigured than transfigured. Far too often we are a people "weighed down with sleep"

The spiritual journey is always a battle between falling asleep and staying awake, between absence and presence, between darkness and light. Sleepiness is not simply a physical matter, it is a spiritual issue and condition. Spiritual sleep is a form of blindness. It blinds us to the beauty and holiness of the world, other people, and ourselves. Blindness to God's presence leads us to do violence to one another, to ourselves and to Creation.

Peter, John, and James experienced the transfiguration of Christ because they stayed awake despite the weight of sleep. They saw for the first time what has always been. They saw the light of divinity fully manifest in a human being, something a mirror can never reveal. Peter misunderstood, however. "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." Humanity can never build a dwelling place for God. It is, rather, God who makes humanity the dwelling place of divinity. This is most profoundly revealed in the Transfiguration of Jesus. Today's gospel invites us to wipe the sleep from our eyes, behold who we are, and become what we see.

Michael Marsh The art of transfiguration

Spirituality is the art of transfiguration. We should not force ourselves to change by hammering our lives into any predetermined shape. We do not need to operate according to the idea of a predetermined programme or plan for our lives. Rather, we need to practise a new art of attention to the inner rhythm of our days and lives. This attention brings a new awareness of our own human and divine presence.

John O'Donohue, Anam Cara



Lourdes Pilgrimage

17th September 2018 x 5 nights

17th SEPT flying direct Manchester/Lourdes 22th SEPT Lourdes/Manchester

£699 per person sharing -Hotel La Solitude

£36 per night single supplement
Please note: A non-refundable deposit of £250 is
required

Includes: Return flights from Manchester. Airport transfers in Lourdes. Daily breakfast, lunch & dinner. Luggage allowance 10kg hand luggage + 15kg check-in luggage

Women's World Day of Prayer 2nd March 2018

This year the service has been prepared by Christian women of Suriname and the theme is "All God's Creation is Very Good!".

The venue is Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Centre, St Annes on the Sea.

If anyone is interested attending could you please notify the office so a place can be booked.

Everyone is welcome

THE OLD SCHOOLHOUSE

'Sometimes you need to sit in a quiet room in order to hear your own voice and not let it drown in the noise of others' - Charlotte Eriksson

The Old Schoolhouse on St John's Road has opened a room for quiet reflection, a space to think, a place to pray. It is open to all who feel the need for a time alone with their thoughts and a chance to speak with God.

Please know you are welcome to come anytime **Monday to Friday 8.30am to 5.00pm**

The Men's Rites of Passage

25th - 29th July 2018
The Bield at Blackruthven, Nr Perth, PH1 1PY.

A 5-day life-changing program for men devised by Richard Rohr OFM which has been undertaken by over 5000 men across the world.

This is not about religion, but about spirituality. About age-old traditions that guide men into manhood. About coming to trust that there is something much greater at work in your life than you could ever imagine. Taking you sometimes OUT of your comfort zones, but more deeply back into your own life. You may find yourself mentally, intellectually, emotionally or spiritually challenged. This is part of the experience for some men: it may feel risky or uncomfortable; you may not always feel in control. Throughout the 5 days you will be held by an experienced team of male elders who have all previously undertaken the Rites themselves. As the Elders take you through the process of the Rites you will experience drumming, ritual, fire, silence, small groups, wilderness, solo-time, teaching . . . and more. The Men's Rites of Passage are suitable for men of all colour, age, sexuality, ethnicity and faith tradition (or no faith); men with more severe physical disabilities are asked to provide more details of their restrictions during the application process and we will provide further advice.

http://www.malejourney.org.uk/rites

or speak to Fr. Richard Sloan or Fr. Anton