St. Aidan's Parish Centre

Memberships available

<u>Tuesday</u>: Slimming World 10.00-11.00am & 6.30-7.30pm (Michelle 07940181515) Country Night 7.30pm

Wednesday
Bingo at 1pm
Quiz Night

Thursday Bingo 7.30pm Zumba 6.30-7.30pm (£3)

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**

St Agnes' Parish Centre

New Memberships available

Mon/Tues—Darts Night

Thursday—Pensioners Club, 1pm-3pm tea and coffee Bingo/Raffle Bingo 7:30pm

<u>Saturday</u> evening—live entertainment in the lounge

Sunday—Country & Western night.

The Concert /Function room is available for hire on Friday & Saturday evenings, weekday afternoons & Sunday afternoons.

All enquiries contact:

Justyna on 0151-489-3990

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Up coming Parish Missions



Albania (Summer camp in Shkoder): Parishioners will be away from the 28th July—4th August 2012



Romania (Summer camp in Homorodu de jos—Satu Mare): From the 12th August –20th August 2012

Please keep all those who are preparing themselves for these missions in your prayers. Many Thanks.

The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan





Sunday 24th June 2012 The Birthday of John the Baptist Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B)

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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 Hall,
John Hunter, Paul Roberts, John Roberts, Rose Bryan, Katie Nichols,
Daisy May, Claire Bruder, Clare Deane, Martin Thomas, Phil Murray,
Craig Wilson, Pauline Campbell, Kathleen Ross, Tricia Robinson, Ryan Johnson,

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We also remember all those mentioned in St. Aidan's Prayer Diary.

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

Collette Marie Moss, Mary Teresa Scott, John Doyle, Stephen Patrick Phoenix, Catherine Courtney, Louisa Charnley,

Anniversaries

Monica Dwyer, Brian Winn, Elizabeth Nelder, George Bartram, Brian English, Carol Penketh, Brendan & Peter O'Hanlon, Joseph Curran, James & Kathleen Sexton,

Sanctuary Lamps

This week 24th June

St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp—Parishioners of St Agnes St. Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp—Parishioners of 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.

make Samuel's words to the Lord, "Speak, your servant is listening" part of our daily prayer. John is great not just because God called him to a special vocation but because he walked faithfully in the path that leads to the goal that God had set for him.

For John's family, what a child can be is determined by his/ her family and lineage. But God's dream for us far exceeds anything that has been in our family background. Our life's work is to wake up and make God's glorious dream for us a reality.

As we celebrate the birth of John the Baptist and read the story of how he got his God-given name, it is good to ask: If I was to receive a new name, a name that represents my God-given identity and calling in life, what would that name be? Our greatness as children of God, like the greatness of John the Baptist, consists in discovering what God has created us to be and living out that call as best we can.

- Adapted from Munachi E. Ezeogu, CSSp

Baptism Certificates

If you need a copy of a baptism certificate, please remember to give the office a couple of days notice. You will receive a phone call when it is ready and we would be grateful if you could collect it promptly. There are lots of certificates waiting to be collected!

Missing Parishioners...

If you have noticed somebody missing from Mass for a period of time, please let the office know. Sr. Margaret has designed a card to send out to people, telling them that they are missed and inviting them back. People stop coming to church for all sorts of reasons and it is nice for them to know that the community is thinking of them and praying for them.



Volunteer Flower Arrangers Needed!

Volunteers are needed to help with the flower arranging at St.

Agnes'. No previous experience is needed! If you think you may be able to help with this important ministry, please contact the office.



The Solemnity of the Birth of John the Baptist

As a rule, the church celebrates the feast of a saint once a year, on the anniversary of the saint's death. In the case of John the Baptist we celebrate his death as well as his birth. John is the only saint after Chris whose birth we celebrate with a solemn feast. This is the church's way of saying with Jesus that "among those born of women no one is greater than John."

The gospel story of the birth of John focuses on the naming ceremony. In biblical times, and still today in many African cultures, personal names function the way business names do, that is, they aim to convey what the bearer of the name stands for. When Simon

shows that he could be relied on as a leader of the apostles, he gets the name "Rock." When the sons of Zebedee, James and John, petition Jesus to call down lightning from heaven to burn up the inhabitants of a Samaritan village who do not welcome Jesus, they get a new name "Sons of Thunder." Names reveal an essential character or destiny of the bearer.

The name John means "God is gracious." His birth signals the beginning of a new era in God-human relationship, an era to be characterised by grace and not by law. God himself gave John that name and it was revealed to his father Zachariah in a vision. That this name was given to the child already before his birth shows that God has a purpose and plan for the child. The words of Isaiah in the first reading apply equally to John: "The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. ... he formed me in the womb to be his servant). In John we see that God already has a purpose for His children before they come into this world, and so the challenge of life is for them to discover this purpose and to be faithful to its demands.

The purpose for which God created you may require that you walk to a different drumbeat than other people. For John it required that he live in the desert far from normal human contact and civilisation. He adopted a lifestyle that would enhance his calling in life. He did not go for any unnecessary trappings that would weigh him down or encumber his life. To discern what God is calling us to be we need to cultivate some sort of desert in our lives where we can listen to God. We need to

Mass Intentions

Saturday 23rd June

St.Agnes Mass 5.30pm – James & Kathleen Sexton

Sunday 24th June - THE BIRTHDAY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

St. Aidan Mass 9.30am- Eddie Fullerton

St.Agnes Mass 11 am - Peter & Brendan O'Hanlon

Monday 25th June

St Agnes 9.30am Celebration of the Word and Communion

Tuesday 26th June

St Aidan Mass 7.30pm - Jean Bond

Wednesday 27th June

St Agnes Funeral Service- 10am - John Doyle

St Agnes Requiem Mass 1pm - Mary Teresa Scott

St. Agnes Mass 7.30pm-Nina Warchalowski

Thursday 28thJune

St Agnes Requiem Mass 12.30pm - Louisa (Lucy) Charnley

St Aidan Requiem Mass 1pm - Catherine Courtney

St Agnes Confirmation 7.30pm

Friday 29th June- Feast of Saints Peter and Paul Apostles

St Agnes Requiem Mass 1pm - Stephen Patrick Phoenix

Saturday 30th June

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm- Joseph Curran

Sunday 1st July 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

St Aidan Mass 9.30am- Irene Kilburn

St Agnes Mass 11am- Ellen Mary Heys, Margaret & Samuel F Grace & Peter Traynor

Confessions

Saturday at St. Agnes 5-5.20 pm & Friday after 12 Noon Mass at St Aidan's

Please Note

All Mass Intentions have been filled until October 2012 for St. Agnes and July for St. Aidan.

PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

Main Parish Office: St Aidan's 92 Adswood Road L36 7XR

Office Hours: Monday 9am-4pm

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

Hours: Friday - 1pm — 4 pm
(Church no- 0151 449 2209)

Also available from St Aidan's
Church
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-stagnesstaidans.org.uk

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Sisters of St. Mary of Namur

Sr. Barbara –228-2239 Sr. Gabriel-489-1302 Sr. Sarah-489-1302

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Rev. Fr. Anton Fernandopulle 0151 489-3085

Deacon-Mike Whelan

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Claire Ball 07899 937948 E-mail: clairem_ball@yahoo.co.uk

'Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan'.

Car Boot Sale

There will be a car boot sale on the last Saturday of every month from 8am-12pm at St Agnes Parish Club Car Park.

(£ 5 per car)

Please ring the office for further details.

Suggestion Box

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Suggestion Boxes

There are suggestion boxes at the back of St. Agnes' church (by the statue of St. Agnes) and in the foyer of St. Aidan's church. If you have any suggestions, comments or feedback, please feel free to put them in the box.

St. Agnes' Altar Servers

There will a practice on
Saturday 7th July at 11.00am

in Church. This is the last practice for the summer. Please could all altar servers attend if possible. Many thanks—Patrick.



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.

Eucharistic Ministers

Could Eucharistic ministers who visit people in their own homes please let the office have a list of names and addresses of the people you visit. We need this for our records.

Many thanks.



Quiet During Services

It is a strength of our parish communities that we are friendly and welcoming. We do need to be aware however that during the Mass, we are in the presence of Christ in a special way. Please help us to create a quiet, respectful, and prayerful atmosphere during services in both churches.

"Be Still and know that I am God"

Joint Parish Youth Club

The youth group is for those of secondary school age and meets on Thursday evenings in the Sr. Elizabeth meeting room at St. Agnes' from 7-9pm. Entrance is 50p and there are refreshments available to purchase. Please join us!



St. Agnes' Nursery...

..at St. Anne's Catholic Primary School

Was your child born between 01/09/08 and 31/08/09? Would you like high quality nursery education for her/ him? Places are now being allocated for September 2012.

Application forms are available at the back of both Churches, the Parish Office (92 Adswood Road) The Old School House (St Johns Road) and St. Anne's School, (Marina Crescent).



St Aidan's Nursery

Serving St Aidan's AND St Joseph's School.

Was your child born between 01/09/08 and 31/08/09? Or was your child born before this and not yet in Nursery Education?

Places are now being allocated for September 2012 at St Aidan's Nursery. Give your child a great start at a high quality Nursery. Nursery will prepare them for school in the best way possible.



Confirmations

Our final preparation meeting for this year's confirmations will be on Monday 25th June

7pm-8.30pm. Please could you arrive promptly as it will be a busy meeting. The confirmation itself is on Thursday 28th June at 7.30pm in St Agnes Church

St. Agnes' Little Church

Sunday 24th June Lesley & Jean Sunday 1st July Janice Shields & helper



Annual Outdoor Mass

Will be held at Yew Tree Cemetery on Sunday 8th July 2012 3.00pm. Please bring a chair and be prepared for all weathers!

Please try to come along!

Parish Collections

Sunday 17th June

St. Aidan £ 369.30

Standing Orders: May 2012 St. Agnes £944.50 St Aidan £198.00

St. Agnes' team to count:

This week team 3



Welcome To the Parish family of St Aidan & St Agnes

Elise Rose Preston Thomas George McMahon & Emmie-Rae Caddock Gaskell.

Who will be baptised on Saturday 23rd June 2012 at St. Aidan's Church

& Paige Amelia Evans

Who will be baptised on Sunday 24th June 2012 at St Agnes Church

Please remember these children and their families in your prayers.

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:

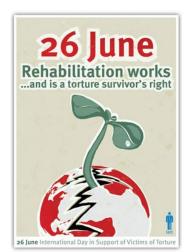
1st Sunday at 12:30pm 2nd Sunday at 2pm

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

Lourdes Pilgrimage

The final payment for September's Lourdes pilgrimage is now due. Please make cheques

payable to St. Aidan's Parish and pass it in to the office as soon as possible. Your insurance must also be paid, or, if you have your own insurance, please notify us of the arrangements.



International Day in Support of Victims of Torture

The United Nations International Day in Support of Victims of Torture, on Tuesday, gives us the opportunity to stand united and remind the world that torture is a cruel violation of human rights.

Rehabilitation is the theme for the 26 June 2012 campaign. Rehabilitation empowers torture victims to resume as full a life as possible. However, rebuilding the life of someone whose dignity has been destroyed takes time and is the

result of long-term material, medical, psychological and social support. More information can be found at: www.irct.org

One way of being united with victims is though our prayer – you may like to use the prayer below on Tuesday:

"Almighty father, you sent your Son to bring the whole world the glorious liberty of the children of God. Open the eyes of the oppressor and the torturer to the blindness of their injustice. Open the way of freedom to those in prison for what they believe. Anoint us with your Spirit to make us servants of the oppressed and instruments of your power, so that justice and peace may embrace, and your love may rule in the hearts of all. Amen"

- Amnesty International

St Agnes parish BBQ

Our annual BBQ will be on Sunday 15th July after 11am Mass. Please put this in your diary and spread the word amongst other parishioners.

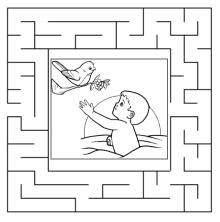


John the Baptist's Birthday

Zechariah and his wife were well beyond the age when it is possible to give birth to a child. The angel, Gabriel, gave Zechariah the incredible news that his wife,



Elizabeth, would give birth to a son who would become a great preacher. They were to name the baby John. This story shows us that God can make things happen that are impossible to humans.



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