

**St. Aidan's Parish Centre**  
Memberships available

Tuesday: Slimming World  
9.30am, 11.30am & 5.30pm  
(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

Tuesday  
Bingo 7.30pm

Wednesday  
Quiz night from 9.30pm

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

Saturday evening—live entertainment  
in the lounge

Sunday—Country & Western night.

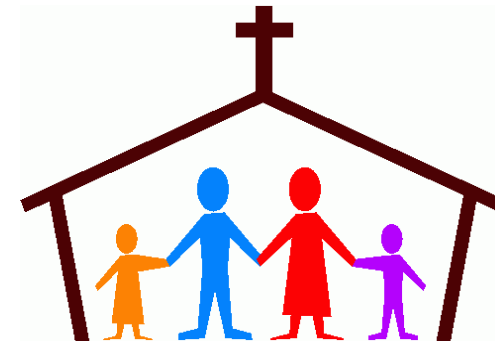
The Concert /Function room is  
available for hire on Friday & Saturday  
evenings, weekday afternoons &  
Sunday afternoons.

All enquiries contact:  
**Justyna on 0151-489-3990**  
**07757594951**

# The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan

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NEWSLETTER



**Sunday 3rd February 2013**  
**Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
**Year C**

Liverpool Roman Catholic Archdiocesan Trustees Inc.  
Reg Charity No 232709

**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.*



**Year of faith**

As part of the Year of  
Faith, we will be holding a Holy hour on  
Tuesdays at 11am-12 noon. This will  
be at St. Aidan's church. Please join us  
this Tuesday.



**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.



### 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, Craig Wilson, Pauline Campbell, Kathleen Ross, Tricia Robinson, Ryan Johnson, Brian Whiteacre, Barbara Shervall, Gerard Taylor, May Cooper, Marie Keights, Ian Gordon, Marie Mills, Dorothy Kelly, Bernard Foley, Anne Maguire, Mary Parker, Maureen Lincoln, Mia Lewsey, Margie, Michael Williams, June Hunt, Terry Thompson, Maisy Eason, Brenda Cubells, Rose Saunders, John Pollard, Lily O'Neill, Dean Easton, Anne Nolan, Lawrence McClintock, Nicky Allen, Bill Jones, Christopher Massam, Jim Phillips, Joe Muraski, Marion Fallon, Betty Johns, Frank & Joan McCann, Vera Cummins, Rose Rimmer, Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess, James Soundie, Marie D'Arcy, Jean Brailsford, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Jim Rose, Tony Clintworth, Baby Aidan James Morris, Lynn McNabb, Claire Waldron, Kay Vaughan, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Vera Murphy, Sandra Rowley, Nel Jordan, Josie Campbell, Jack & Winnie Witter, Peggy Skidmore, Baby Eddie Anthony Doran., Emma Davies, Angela Fleetwood, George Gibbons, Maria Edge, Mary Fullerton, Mary Organ, Rose Rawlinson, Averyll Fairfield, Hilda Logan, Carol Atkinson, Brendan Reilly, Christine Lees, Jennifer Hewitt, Pauline Clegg, Joseph Hill, Susan McDougalle, Mary Scaife, Pat Madden, Eileen Mooney, Philip Gallagher, Ron Crowney, Carl Atkinson, Phil Ridler, David Critchley, Ursula Mary Erfani, Clare Pendleton, Michael Lyons, Victoria Hill- Edmundson, Dolly Morten, Jennifer McLaughin, Samantha Jones

**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

Donna McKenna, Dorothy Seddon,

#### Anniversaries

Joseph Cashman, Martha Jones, Jim Passey, Bob Wignall, Margaret Barlow, Walter Savage, Frances Murphy, Joan Catterson,

### Sanctuary Lamps

This week 3rd February 2013

**St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp –Parishioners of St Agnes**

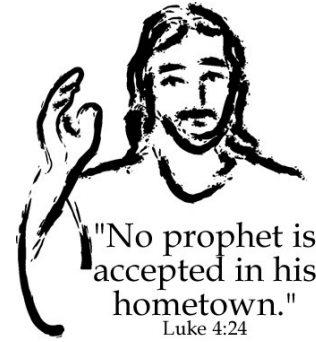
**St. Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp— Tommy Smith**

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.



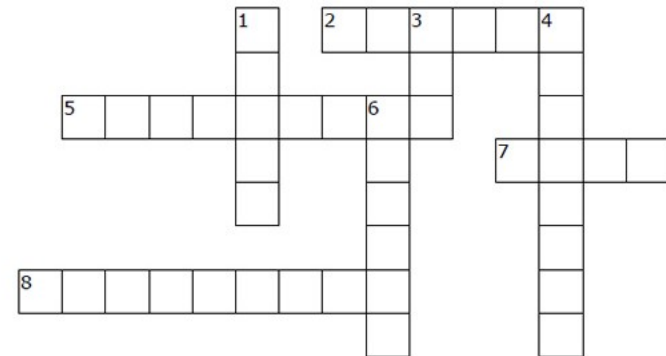
## *Jesus Is Rejected in Nazareth*



Jesus wasn't treated very well in his hometown. One day, Jesus went to the synagogue in Nazareth. Everyone was quite impressed with the words of Jesus until some of them recognised that he was a local boy.

"Isn't this Joseph's son?" they asked. They demanded that Jesus perform some miracles. When Jesus refused to put on a show for the people, the crowd began to turn against him. They mobbed him and took him out of the edge of a hill on which the city was built. They planned to throw him off the edge of a cliff, but Jesus slipped away from them and escaped through the crowd.

## *Crossword Puzzle*



#### ACROSS

- The earthly father of Jesus
- Another word for a doctor
- To make or become healthy again
- The sacred writings of the Bible

#### DOWN

- An area of high, steep rocks beside the sea
- A person's male child
- The town where you grew up
- To be very surprised

HEAL	SON	PHYSICIAN	AMAZED
JOSEPH	HOMETOWN	SCRIPTURE	CLIFF

What Jesus' audience may not have liked is that he is also inviting them to participate in this same saving mission. Jesus' powerful words and deeds are not just something to watch and by which to be impressed. Rather, his mission of jubilee justice is to be taken up and continued by all who hear. Thus it is fulfilled today in our hearing.

### Praying with Scripture

- Pray with gratitude for having been called to mission, at whatever stage of your life you accepted it.
- How does the sense of being called by God fortify you for the difficulties involved in following Jesus?

- Barbara E. Reid



### 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"*



### 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.



### Romania & Albania Projects



If you are a parishioner who is 18+ and regularly worship at St. Agnes or St. Aidan's you may like to help on our projects in Romania or Albania. There is a group that meets every first Saturday of the month at 6.30pm at **92 Adswood Road** (after 5.30 Mass). If you are interested, please come along!

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday 2nd February—Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm— James & Sarah Watts

#### Sunday 3rd February Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

St Aidan Mass 9.30am—Bob Wignall & Ken Keith

St Agnes Mass 11am—John & Nora Fleming

#### Monday 4th February

St Agnes 9.30am—Celebration of the Word & Communion

#### Tuesday 5th February

St. Aidan Holy Hour 11am-12 Noon

St Aidan Mass 12 Noon— Rita Cosgrove & Albert Wilson

#### Wednesday 6th February

St Agnes Mass 7.30pm— Maureen Johnson & Joseph Cashman

#### Thursday 7th February

**St Agnes Requiem Mass 11.00am—Donna McKenna**

#### Friday 8th February

St. Agnes Mass 9.30am— Ellen Ryan & Charles Donnelly

#### Saturday 9th February

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm— Michael & May Browne

#### Sunday 10th February

St Aidan Mass 9.30am—Mary McHugh & Joseph Baker

St Agnes Mass 11am—Patrick & Mary McLindon

### Confessions

Saturday at St. Agnes 5-5.20 pm & Friday after 12 Noon Mass at St Aidan's  
*(Until there is nobody waiting)*

Please contact the Parish office if you would like an anniversary added  
to the Prayer List in the Newsletter. Thank you.

## Parish Collections

### Sunday 27th January 2013

St Agnes £858.76

St Aidan £338.46

Standing Orders: Dec 2012

St. Agnes £903.50

St Aidan £198.00

St. Agnes' team to count:

This week team 3

**Thank you for your generosity.**



## Civic Mass

This year's Civic Mass will take place at the Cathedral on Sunday 10th February at 11am. This is always a good occasion to show how important the Cathedral is in the life of the City. This year Bishop Tom Williams will be the chief celebrant. The Mass enjoys a good turn out of Civic guests—Mayors, Councillors, magistrates etc but the support of the communities they work for would be very much welcomed.



*Welcome to the Parish  
family of  
St Aidan & St Agnes*

**Darci Brenna Heffey**

*Who will be baptised on Sunday 3rd  
February 2013 at St. Agnes Church.*

*Please remember this child  
and her family in your prayers..*

## St Agnes' Little Church

We are looking for children who would like to be readers during youth Mass once a month. Please speak to one of the Little Church helpers if your child would like to read.

Sunday 3rd February 2013

**Janice & helper**

Sunday 10th February

**Youth Mass**



## Sacramental Preparation



Thank you to all those parents and children who attended the 4th preparation meeting this week at St Aidan's Club despite the very cold weather.

**The next meetings will be:**

Tuesday **5th Feb** St Agnes Club or Wednesday **13th Feb** St Aidan's Club 6pm-7pm



## Fulfilled in Our Hearing

Some people know what they want to be when they grow up from the time they are very young. Others discover their vocation as young adults. Still others never seem to find their real mission in life. Jeremiah apparently knew as a very young man what God's designs for him were. Not only did Jeremiah perceive his calling very early but he also understood that it was not something he dreamed up on his own. Rather, it was God, who appointed him as prophet before he was even formed in his mother's womb. Similarly, Luke began his account with the annunciation to Jesus' mother of her child's prophetic mission even before he is conceived in her womb. One can always resist such a calling, especially since prophets always experience suffering in carrying out their mission. People who are lifted up by the prophet's liberating words react with enthusiastic welcome. But for those whose power, privilege, or status is threatened by the prophet's challenges to live justly, the reaction can become even murderous. To Jeremiah, God gives assurance of divine strength to withstand whatever opposition he experiences. Similarly, when the crowd in Nazareth turns on Jesus, he is given the strength to pass unharmed through their midst.

Today's gospel picks up from last Sunday's, in which Jesus first announced his mission to reveal God's liberating and re-creating Spirit through healing and freeing any who were bound. Jesus' neighbours and friends are familiar with the passage from Isaiah that he quotes. At first they marvel when he says that it is fulfilled in their hearing. Jesus, as if reading their thoughts, exposes what is on their minds: "Let's see what you can do." These thoughts seem very close to what the devil says to Jesus in the previous gospel episode. They want him to do a flashy miracle to show off his powers to cure. Instead, Jesus retells stories with which they are well acquainted, stories about earlier prophets who used their healing powers to cure foreign outsiders.

What kind of response is that? One of the implications of Jesus' answer is that the mission he has embraced is, in some ways, not a new one. God's healing Spirit has been revealing the divine intent to heal, restore. And bring all inside into God's loving embrace, even beyond the reach of those to whom God has revealed the law. What is new is the way the Spirit is now embodied in Jesus to bring this revelation to completion.

**Building Update** - Risk assessments are being carried out across the Archdiocese. To speed things up here, Joe Morgan and Ged McNichol are carrying out our own. Hopefully building work at St. Aidan's and the oratory at St. Agnes (to be used by the youth group) will commence at some point this year.

The heating in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly room is inadequate for winter weather. Fr Anton will go back to the Archdiocese as it was their responsibility to make the room functional.

**Eucharistic Ministers** – the importance of finding a replacement if you are unable to be at Mass was raised. Phone numbers and e-mails to be requested to make this easier.

**Foodbanks** – Fr. Anton & parishioners are taking donations to St. Michael's which now has a Foodbank distribution point.

**St. Agnes' Club** – Still problems and complains about the club. These are being dealt with by the Archdiocese's Clubs Department

**Diocesan Assembly** – Joe Morgan attended as our rep. The day was about "Making Sundays Sacred again." Input was by Fr. Joe Smith.

**Little Church** – Fr. Anton thanked all those who help with Little Church in both parishes – particularly for the success of the children's involvement in the Christmas Liturgies.

**Cross at St. Aidan's** – a stand or wall bracket is needed so that it doesn't have to be 'propped up.'

**New readers** – needed!

**Health & Safety** – any concerns to be reported to Joe Morgan, Ian Hennessy or Ged McNichol.

**Prayers for the sick** – Fr. Anton requested prayers for the many parishioners who are sick at the moment.

## 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-stagnes-  
staidans.org.uk

## PARISH CONTACTS



### **SISTERS:**

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Sr. MaryRose - 0151 482 6895

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Sr. Gabriel-489-1302

Sr. Sarah-489-1302

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*St. Joseph*

0151 489 4072

*St. Anne's*

0151 477 8260

### **Parish Clergy**

#### **Parish Priest**

*Rev. Fr. Anton Fernandopulle*

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***Deacon-Mike Whelan***

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**Minutes of Joint Pastoral Meeting ,**  
**27<sup>th</sup> January 2013**



**Present:** 37

**Apologies:** 3

**Liturgical Calendar**

11<sup>th</sup> February – Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Mass of Anointing for the Sick 7:30pm St. Aidan's.

13<sup>th</sup> February Ash Wednesday 9:30am St. Aidan's, 7:30pm St. Agnes. Sisters will lead services in schools.

Stations of the Cross during Lent. Friday 6:30pm St. Aidan's. After Friday morning Mass at St. Agnes.

23<sup>rd</sup> February CAFOD fast day.

1<sup>st</sup> March Women's World Day of Prayer

19<sup>th</sup> March – Feast of St. Joseph – Mass in St. Joseph's school.

20<sup>th</sup> March – Lenten Reconciliation Service 7:30pm St. Agnes'.

24<sup>th</sup> March - Palm Sunday – CAFOD lunch (soup & rolls) after Mass in both churches.

Holy Week: Holy Thursday 7:30pm St. Aidan's, Good Friday 3pm services in both churches, Holy Saturday Vigil 8:30 St. Agnes'.

Good Friday Ecumenical Walk of Witness from St. Michael's church followed by hot cross buns in the Forth Dimension shop.

23<sup>rd</sup> April – St. George's day 9:30am Mass St. Agnes'

11<sup>th</sup> May – Confirmations & First Communions at St. Agnes

18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> May - Confirmations & First Communions at St. Aidan's

19<sup>th</sup> May Sunday Mass 11am at St. Aidan's parishioners.

26<sup>th</sup> May – May Procession, St. Aidan's.

31<sup>st</sup> August – St. Aidan's feast day (celebration at BBQ 15<sup>th</sup> December)

4<sup>th</sup> October – CAFOD Harvest Fast

5<sup>th</sup> October – hamper donations from schools celebrated at Mass.

20<sup>th</sup> October – World Mission Sunday – celebration of the work our parishes do aboard and at home.

1<sup>st</sup> November – All Saints

10<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Sunday

13<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Mass for the faithful departed, St. Aidan's 7:30pm.

18<sup>th</sup> November – Advent Reconciliation Service, St. Aidan's 7:30pm

**Fundraisers/ Social Events**

19<sup>th</sup> April - We Can Make A Difference/ Romania fundraiser, St. Aidan's Club.

14<sup>th</sup> July – St. Agnes BBQ

15<sup>th</sup> September – St. Aidan's BBQ

11<sup>th</sup> October - We Can Make A Difference/ Romania fundraiser, St. Agnes (TBC by Monica)

Winter Night 17<sup>th</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup> Jan, St. Aidan's club (TBC)

**Permanent Mementos in church**

Following a requests from some St. Aidan's parishioners, the subject of permanent mementos and plaques was discussed. It was decided not to have these in church, allowing us to avoid a sense of 'ownership' and preserve equality. The planned building work at St. Aidan's however, includes an outside grotto where it was agreed names could be inscribed on plaques on the walls.

**Mass Intentions** – After a suggestion from a parishioner and having considered the increased demand for Mass intentions, it has been decided that more than one intention may be named for each Mass. Where there is only one, 'Parishioners' will also be remembered.

**SVP Collection** – a lengthy discussion was held about the place of the weekly collection box at St. Aidan's. There are boxes on the walls at St. Agnes which attracts generous donations. Fr. Anton proposed installing a more obvious box on the wall at St. Aidan's in order to reduce the number of collections and the appearance of continually collecting money. Members of the SVP were very concerned about the collection going down and it was suggested bringing in the change with a Sunday Mass especially celebrating the work of the SVP and an article about their work in the newsletter – thus raising the profile amongst parishioners and encouraging them to donate. The SVP members did not feel that this was necessary.

**St. Aidan's Sacristans** - volunteers are needed for the rota.