

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

If you have not already collected your new box of envelopes please help by collecting yours today.

Thank you.

Thursday Club

We are looking for volunteers for the Thursday-Club held at St. Aidan's Church at 7.30pm. This is a social gathering of people with special needs. If you are interested for more details please contact the parish office on:

0151 489 3085

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2nd Sunday of Easter:

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Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Gospel Acc: Jesus said: "You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.

Gospel: John 20: 19-31

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AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

There will be a talk by Cardinal Charles Bo of Burma at the Metropolitan Cathedral on Sunday 22 May at 2.00 p.m. Followed by Sung Vespers at 3.00 p.m.

Entrance is free and there will be a retiring collection for ACN's work in Asia and an ACN Trading stall.

St Agnes' Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

The rotas for St Agnes readers and Eucharistic Ministers will be available for collection today from the back of church. Thank you

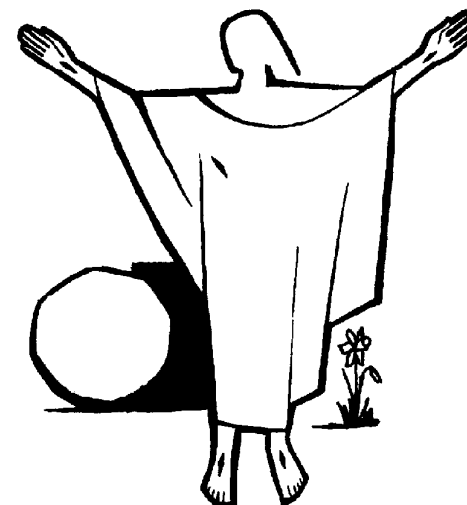
Songs of Praise

'Songs of Praise' will be filming in the Liverpool Cathedral on Saturday 14th May 2016 from 16:30 – 19:30. If you would like to be part of the programme, you will need to book tickets through the Parish or through the BBC website. Tickets are free for the event, but must be booked in advance.

Please contact Christine Ball (details in Newsletter) if you are interested.

The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan

NEWSLETTER



**3rd April 2016
Second Sunday of Easter
Year C**

Liverpool Roman Catholic Archdiocesan Trustees Inc.
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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

Vera Cummins, Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess, James Soundie, Mary Organ, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Tony Clintworth, Aidan Morris, Maria Edge, Kay McNeill, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Amy Adair, Phil Ridler, Sandra Rowley, Josie Campbell, Winnie Witter, Eddie Doran, Joseph Hill, Vera Jones, Angela Fleetwood, George Gibbons, Rose Rawlinson, Marie Higgins, Jennifer Hewitt, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Carol Atkinson, Christine Lees, Susan McDougalle, Pat Madden, Philip Gallagher, Carl Atkinson, Ursula Erfani, Clare Pendleton, Marion, James Taylor, Rose Sankey, Dolly Morten, Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Colette Wilson, Wyn Graham, Jennifer McLaughlin, Josie Riley, Caelan McKeown, Michael McDonough, Mary Davis, Margaret Flynn, Aaron Carmichael, Triona Bromwell, Geraldine Kelly, Patrick McKeown, Jimmy Jones, Janet & Ray Cragg, Maisie Pritchard, Linda O'Keefe, Margaret Sergison, Nancy Evans, Margaret Murray, Geraldine, Sr. Ann, Collette Garlick, Anthony Winrow, Nick Gregory, Kathleen Hughes, Philip Malone, Anthony Wilson, Nathan Davies, Roisin & Pdraig McRory, Jerome Mitchell, Mrs Lynch, Ann Gavin, Lawrence McClintock, Moya Fleetwood, Pauline Irvine, Peter Kelly, John Kennedy, Dorothy Ireland, Laura Mitchell, Jim & Josephine Phillips, Sophie Bond, Colette Martin, Jackie Anders, Jennifer McKeown, Pat McGiveron, Christina Hill, Julie Bohanna, Philip Anders, Baby Sonny, Angela Smith, Alan McMahon, Eva Roberts, Graham Dawson, Tony Gavin, Nikki Hamner, Tony McCarthy, Kathleen Keenan, Jane Grace Fernando, Patrick Georgeson, Robert Williams, Angela & Gerry Reid, Joseph Cashman, Kate Williams, Tom Malone, Vera Conley, Joe Hart

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

James Middleton, Joan Evans, Nora Rimmer.

Anniversaries

Peter Cooke, Evelyn McCarten, Hannah Jones, Nell & Jim Ford

Sanctuary Lamps Week beginning – 3rd April

St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp - Nina Warchalowski
St Aidan Sanctuary Lamp - Private Intention

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.

St. Aidan's Parish Centre

Memberships available

Monday

Slimming World

3.30 pm, 5.30 pm & 7.30 pm

Tuesday:

Slimming World 9.30 am, 11.30 am

(Michelle 07940181515)

Country Night 7.30 pm

Wednesday

Bingo at 1 pm, Quiz Night

Thursday

Bingo 7.30 pm

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

St Agnes' Parish Centre

New Memberships available

Tues

Darts Night

Saturday

Evening live entertainment in the lounge

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

FOOD BANK

Could any donations for the Food Bank be left at the back of either Church please. Thank you for your continued Support!

Lourdes Pilgrimage - 12-17th September 2016

As in the previous year we will fly directly from Manchester to Tarbes (Lourdes Airport) and we will be staying in the same hotel, the '4* Hotel La Solitude'. The pilgrimage is for five nights. The cost, including meals, will be £609.00 per person sharing a double room. If you are interested please contact the office on 0151489 3085 or enter your name on the list at the back of church.



(All intending to travel please pay a deposit of £250 before Sunday 1st of May)

Thank You

“Brothers and sisters, you are sent from this assembly to bring the Word of God and the Bread of Life to the sick and homebound members of our parish family. Go to them with our love, our care and our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and gentle healer.”

A Big Thank you to the ‘Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist’ (Eucharistic Ministers) who regularly visit the nursing homes/housebound parishioners. On behalf of the

parishioners of Sts Agnes and Aidan we thank you for your time and effort as you take with you not only the sacrament we have celebrated, but also the Word of God which we have heard, as well as the affection of our parish community.

Fr. Anton and the parishioners.

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.



Romania & Suriname Projects



If you are a parishioner who is 16+ and regularly worship at St. Agnes or St. Aidan’s you may like to help on our project in Romania. There is a group that meets every first Thursday of the month at 7.00pm at the **Presbytery 92 Adswood Road**. If you are interested, please come along!

Missing Parishioners

As parishioners we need to be aware that if we don’t see anyone for a few weeks we should find out what has happened. Sometimes it is due to the fact that a bus route has changed and it’s time and no longer ties in with the mass times. Please contact the office as soon as possible if you become aware of anyone who has not been seen for a while and we will make arrangements for someone to keep in touch with them if they so wish.

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.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 2nd April

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Ellen Mary Heys, Margaret & Samuel F Grace & Peter Traynor

Sunday 3rd April 2nd Sunday of Easter - Day of Divine Mercy

St Aidan Mass 9.30am - Thanksgiving to Parishioners, Jenifer Hewitt

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Catherine McCarthy, Sr. Paul Williams

Monday 4th April (Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord)

St Agnes 9.30am Celebration of the Word and Communion

Tuesday 5th April

St Agnes Funeral Service 11.00am - James Middleton

St. Aidan Holy Hour 11-12 pm

Wednesday 6th April

St Agnes Mass 7.30pm - Joan Crowney, John Pursall

Thursday 7th April - Memorial of St John Baptiste de la Salle

St Aidan Funeral Service 1pm - Joan Evans

Friday 8th April

No Mass

Saturday 9th April

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Joseph Curran,

Sunday 10th April 3rd Sunday of Easter

St Aidan Mass 9.30am - John & Anthony Murray, Evelyn McCarten

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Bella Kearns, David Murphy

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.

Resurrected Life

A week ago we celebrated the Resurrection. God rolled away the stone from the tomb. The seal of death was broken and Mary Magdalene saw Jesus alive. That night, despite Mary's good news, the disciples were hiding behind locked doors. Today, a week after the Resurrection, the disciples are again in the same room with the same locked doors. Christ is risen, the tomb is empty, but the doors are locked. Not much has changed. They have traded a tomb for a house and a stone for locked doors. Resurrected life, it seems, does not come easily.

Resurrection is not just an event or an idea. It is a way of being and living. It is the lens through which we see the world, each other, and ourselves. Resurrection is the gift of God's life and love. Living Resurrection, however, is difficult. For most of us it is a process, something we grow into over time. It is neither quick nor magical. Resurrection does not undo our past, fix our problems, or change the circumstances of our lives. It changes us, offers a way through our problems and creates a future. Christ's resurrected life inspires us with his spirit, invites us to unlock the doors, and sends us into the world.

The Risen Christ is all about leading humanity, leading us into a future. God cannot lead us into the future until we are ready to let go of the past. That is why forgiveness is so central to the Easter mystery. Jesus not only forgives us but he passes it on. If we don't forgive others, they can't forgive themselves. People normally cannot find a place in their hearts to forgive themselves unless at least one other person breathes on them with a tender love and says, in one way or another, "I forgive you."

Regardless of the circumstances Jesus shows up bringing peace, offering peace, embodying peace. Regardless of the circumstances Jesus shows up bringing life, offering life, embodying life. Life and peace are Resurrection reality. They do not necessarily change the circumstances of our life and world. Tornados will still form, the hungry still need to be fed, and loved ones will die. The life and peace of Jesus' Resurrection enable us to meet and live through those circumstances. He gives us his peace, his breath, his life and then sends us out. We are free to unlock the doors of our lives and step outside into his life.

St Aidan's Little Church

Sunday 3rd April
Caroline
Sunday 10th April
Children's Mass

St Agnes' Little Church

Sunday 3rd April
Kim & Honor
Sunday 10th April
Children's Mass

Holy Communion for the Housebound

If you are a housebound person - or know of anyone who is unable to get to Mass - and would like a visit from the priest or a Eucharistic minister in your own home, please contact the Parish Office: 0151-489-3085.
Monday to Friday between 10am-12noon to provide us with your name and address.

DEMENTIA ACTION PLAN

In response to the growing incidence of dementia, the Archdiocese has recently joined the Liverpool Dementia Action Alliance, committing us initially to:

- 1 To make the Alzheimer's Society Dementia Friends awareness programme available in all our parish communities.
- 2 To include the Dementia Friends awareness session in the initial training of all Eucharistic Ministers and Permanent Deacons.
- 3 To encourage compliance with the DAA's Environment Checklist by providing training to our diocesan surveyors for all future projects.
- 4 To review the pastoral care of diocesan priests living with dementia.

The first step to implementing the first action is to discover parishioners who are already Dementia Friends Champions or who would be willing to undertake the one-day training course.

Are you or could you become a Dementia Friends Champion?

If you are a Dementia Friends Champion, or would like to become one, please contact Maureen Knight at the Pastoral Formation Department 0151 522 1046, mknight@rcaol.co.uk.

You can find more about the training at <https://www.dementiafriends.org.uk>.

The Action Plan drawn can be viewed now and will regularly updated:

www.dementiaaction.org.uk

Refugee Appeal Update (SHARE)

A big thank you to Mrs. Keating (Head teacher) the children and staff at St. Anne's Primary, Huyton for supporting the Banana/fruit appeal. We also would like to thank St. Joseph's primary and also the parishioners for their contribution.

Please check the parish Facebook or SHARE Facebook page for pictures from St. Anne's primary school (office staff helping us in loading the car).

One of the outcomes of our recent meeting held at St. Agnes' was a desire to strengthen links with Asylum Link Merseyside who do tremendous work at their centre in the former presbytery of St. Anne's Overbury Street. Some members have already offered to do some voluntary work at their centre which is great. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Margaret Roch ((07842185100) *(We would like to remind everybody that we will be collecting following as an on ongoing project.... we know we can count on the generosity of the people in Huyton)*

Toiletries

As a parish we thought we could collect and donate toiletries which are always needed there. Items such as soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, appreciated. Please leave these items at the back of our churches.

Bikes

The Asylum Link is also constantly looking for second hand bikes (for adults) so if you have a bike that is in working order and is 'feeling lonely' why not think of donating it? *(Please note that at the Asylum Link there is the facility to repair bikes).* We can arrange collection of bikes and we know that they will certainly be put to good use

Prayer

Sr. Mary Rose had a great suggestion which costs nothing at all, just a bit of your time. If each day, for maybe 5-10 minutes each one of us lights a candle and calls to mind all those who are fleeing war, persecution or torture and are facing a very uncertain future, especially those who are losing hope and holds them in prayer. What a beautiful way to unite with each other and with our brothers and sisters in need!!

Thank you again for your tremendous support and generosity.



Going Forward

This week, one week after Easter, is our life different? Where are we living: in the freedom and joy of resurrection or behind locked doors? What do we believe about Jesus' Resurrection? What doors have we locked? If we want to know what we believe, we need to look at our life and how we live. Our beliefs guide our life and our life reveals our beliefs.

Dates for your Diary 2016

Friday 29th April	WCMAD fundraiser, St Aidan's Club
Sunday 8th May 11am	Fr Richard's 40th Ordination Anniversary Mass
Sunday 12th June	Joe Morgan's Diaconate Ordination Metropolitan Cathedral
Sunday 10th July	Joint Parish BBQ, St Aidan's
Mon 12th - Sat 17th Sept	Lourdes Pilgrimage
Friday 14th October	WCMAD Fundraiser, St Aidan's Club

Parish trip to Rome (2017) 17th April. (details to be confirmed)

First Communion Preparation

Just a reminder of the next meeting dates.

Tuesday 19th April in St Agnes Church 6pm-7pm
Thursday 21st April in St Aidan's Church 6pm-7pm



Please ensure that if you would like your child to celebrate the Sacraments this year, they are expected to attend all 7 sessions and complete all 7 home sessions. Children should also be attending Mass each week.

Nugent Care

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.

PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

Main Parish Office:

St Aidan's

92 Adswood Road

L36 7XR

Office Hours:

Monday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Tuesday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Wednesday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Thursday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Friday 9.00am - 4pm

All Enquiries to

Tel/Fax : 0151 489 3085

St Agnes Church

82 Huyton Hey Road

L36 5SQ

For Mass Cards etc

(Church no. 0151 449 2209)

*Also available from St Aidan's
Church*

0151 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.**

New Parish Web Site

www.stagnes-staidan.org.uk

PARISH CONTACTS



SISTERS:

Helpers of the Holy Souls

Sr. Elizabeth - 0151 480 7904

Sr. MaryRose - 0151 482 6895

Sisters of St. Mary of Namur

Sr. Barbara - 0151 481 0968

Sr. Gabriel - 0151 489 1302

Sr. Louise - 0151 489-1302

Primary Schools

St. Aidan

0151 477 8370

St. Joseph

0151 489 4072

St. Anne's

0151 477 8260

Parish Clergy (Parish Priest)

Rev. Fr. Anton Fernandopulle

0151 489 3085

Deacon: *Mike Whelan*

St Aidan Parish Club

0151 489 9024

St Agnes Parish Club

0151 489 3990

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Mrs. Christine Ball

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'Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan'.

Parish Collections

Sunday 27th March 2016

St Agnes - £1041.26

St Aidan - £607.94

February Standing Orders

St Agnes £947.50

St Aidan £450.00

St. Agnes' team to count: Team 3

Combined Refugee Collection to date

£3,916.60

***Thank you for your
generous support***

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



***Freya Alex Edwards
Evelyn Edwards
Annie Doyle
Jacob William Griffin
Evie Martin &
Evelyn Rose Bowers***

*Who will be baptised at
St. Agnes on Sunday 3rd April*

*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 11am

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,
you must contact the Parish Office on
489 3085 and you will be booked into a
preparation meeting.*

Congratulations

To

Sarah Jane Morgan &

Martin Robert Low



*Who will be married at
St Agnes Church*

On Friday 8th April 2016

*Please remember this couple in your
prayers as they
begin their married life together.*