

Sunday 1st June 2025



First Reading Acts 7: 55-60

I see the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is king, most high above all the earth

Second Revelation 22:12-14. 16-17, 20

Come, Lord Jesus

Gospel Acclamation

I will not leave you as orphans, says the Lord. I am going away and I will come to you and your hearts will rejoice

Gospel Reading John 17:20-26

May they become perfectly one

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

OFFICE/CHURCH

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(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
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www.stagnes-staidan.org.uk
Newsletter items by Thursday morning to
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PARISH CLUB

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The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

WOMEN OF FAITH AND THEIR MINISTRIES

Sr Elizabeth Kelly Room 7pm - 9pm on the following dates
Thursday 5th June - St Mary of Namur
Thursday 12th June - Daughters of St Paul
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NEWSLETTER



**Sunday 1st June 2025
Seventh 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.

Parish of Sts. Agnes & Aidan Live stream Masses

Holy Mass is live streamed every Sunday at 10.30 am 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 31st May - Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass 5.30pm - Paul Murrell, Fiona Gregory

Sunday 1st June - Seventh Sunday of Easter

Mass 9.00 am - Sr Teresa Perez, Jerry Neville

Mass 10.30 am - Piety Goes, Lilly Webster

Monday 2nd June

9.30 a.m. Celebration of the Word and Communion

Wednesday 4th June

Mass 7.30 pm - Agnes O'Donnell, Stella O'Rourke

Thursday 5th June

Workshop Women of Faith Religious sisters are living and working in our local community - St Mary of Namur

Saturday 7th June

Mass 5.30pm - Tony McNamara, Joseph Davies

Sunday 8th June - Pentecost Sunday

Mass 9.00 am - Geraldine McLaughlin, Rose McCormack

Mass 10.30 am - Francis (Frankie) Brannon, Thanksgiving (Lloyd)

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



Ankle-deep Awareness

Last week's reflection ended with the words of Pope Leo's motto : 'In the One, we are one.' This is the truth in which we have always been held. In today's Gospel, Jesus' prayer, 'Father, may they be one even as we are one,' is a prayer that we may grow in awareness that we are already one. 'But we imagine that we are not. Oneness is less a goal toward which life is pressing, as it is a return to our original unity. What we have to be is what we are.' [1] 'All that is absent is awareness. To be one with God, with everyone and with everything is to have overcome the fundamental optical illusion of our separateness. Awareness opens our eyes to the reality of our oneness, and our openness to the Spirit allows this awareness to transform us.' [2]

When we look for words to describe the mystery of our oneness with God, 'we can only use metaphors and the language of poetry, offered tentatively in awe and pointing towards a mystery that we don't know until we have experienced it. We cannot 'get' to such a place. We can only rest and rejoice in the experience.' [3] James Finley offers us his poetic insight into the mystery of our being one with God. 'Let's say you're at the ocean and you're just ankle deep. It's true you're only ankle deep, but it's also true you're in the ocean. It's also true, if you just head out to deeper water, it'll get plenty deep, soon enough. That depth is a measurable depth. But what if the middle of the ocean is infinitely deep? And what if the infinite depth of the ocean is infinitely giving the infinity of its depths to your ankle-deep degree of realisation of it and also to each incremental degree of entrance into it? And what if poetically we say that the ocean and its hidden centre become a metaphor for God? What if His hidden centre is infinitely deep, like a bottomless abyss of love? And what if the bottomless abyss of love is always giving itself away whole and complete, in each incremental degree of awareness of our oneness with Him, even when our awareness is just ankle-deep, catching momentary glimpses of this reality?' [4]

'Slowly we begin to see that both the one and the many are held together in the One - the Eternal Godhead. And as we come to know our self within this One, we also come to know our oneness with all that is held by the One.' [2]

Adapted: [1] Thomas Merton [2] David Benner [3] Richard Rohr [4] James Finley

Parish WhatsApp Group

It's 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 07779 328 414.

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.



Lindisfarne Trip

The balance for Lindisfarne is due by 2nd June

Sole occupancy £60 per night = £180 plus £65 per person for the coach = £245 less deposit

Twin occupancy £70 per night = £210 plus £65 per person for the coach = £340 less deposit

No meals are included. Breakfast will need to be booked a week before we travel which is £12.95 per day

The coach will leave St Agnes & St Aidan Church at 9.00 am on 30th June

Sri Lanka Trip – February 2026

The trip is now fully booked! All travellers are kindly requested to stay updated by following the messages in the **Sri Lankan Holiday WhatsApp group**.

GARDENER'S CLUB

The Parish Gardeners Club is looking for more volunteers to help maintain the Parish Garden. They meet every Monday morning to tidy up the garden, followed by a social gathering with a bite to eat. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in gardening and socializing. Whether you are a parishioner or not, all are welcome to join the group. Please feel free to reach out to your extended family and friends who may be interested in getting involved.
For more details contact Bryan Blois 077725097814

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Religious sisters are living and working in our local community, dedicating their lives to prayer and public service. Their important and profound work is often unseen and unheard.

Please join us to reveal their different ministries and to discover more about their formation and faith.

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, Catherine Bennion, Trina Bromwell, Margaret & Gordon Caruthers, Violet Chadwick, Grace Cheeseman-Woolerton, John Clintworth, James Corbett, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Marie D'arcy, Janet Davies, Despina, Patricia Fisher, Joseph Hill, Claire Hindley, Sue Hodgson, Barbara Holman, Marie Hunter, Claire Illingworth, Joelle, Peggy Kane, Dennis Ling, Ray Lloyd, Sheila McGrattan, Maureen, Michael & Lawrence McClintock, Joe March, Patricia Markey, Tim Merritt, Barbara Moran, Peter Muldoon, Ann-Marie Naylor, Kathleen O'Gorman, Ged Privilege, Julie Quarless, Levinia Redpath, Mia Robinson, Nilma Cristina Rodrigo, Walter Runge, Sara, Betty Savage, Donna Sothorn, Alan Spain, Billy Turner, Sr Josephine Vassallo, Molly Wallis, Frank Walsh, Joan Walsh, Dylan Watson, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Vera Whitfield, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe

Lately Deceased

Catherine Burke, Michael John Miller

Anniversary

Esther Ball

Sanctuary Lamp week 1st June - Staff in our Primary Schools

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.

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.



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.

Baptism

Baptism Preparation meeting:
First Monday of each month at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be on **Monday 2nd June**

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. These meetings are for parents whose children are under 8 years of age

BAPTISMS ARE HELD ON:

1st Saturday at 12.00pm and 1.00 pm
1st Sunday at 1.30pm & 2.30pm (Fr. Anton)
4th Sunday at 1.30pm & 2.30 pm (Deacon Mike)

BAPTISM CERTIFICATES

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 will be on 11th June 2025

1 pm until 3 pm in the parish meeting room (Sr Elizabeth Kelly room)

Craft Club

Craft Club has started again on Thursday **next date to be advised.** We will now have a subscription of £2 per session.

LGBTQ+ SOCIAL GROUP

Will meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 6 pm in Sr. Elizabeth Kelly room in the church of SS. Agnes and Aidan, Huyton, L36 5SQ
The next meeting, which will be open, is on Sunday 15th June

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'

Tuesday 10th June 2025 In the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community Room

- Community Prayer Circle (1-3pm)
- Music Group (7 pm)

No experience needed. Join us to make new friends and contribute to our worship.

All are welcome

Car Boot Sale

Last Saturday of each month
8am to 12 noon.

Next Car boot sale on 28th June.



GOLD BOOK

If you would like the name of your deceased loved ones written in **The Gold Book** please contact the parish office with their name and the month they died so that their names can be added. (0151 489 3085)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

The final deadline for First Communion books has now passed. At last count there were 5 books still to be handed in. Please ensure these are now handed in to the church office as soon as possible.

Information about the reconciliation service and rehearsal will be shared as soon as everything has been arranged.

Join Our Parish Racial Justice Group (CARJ)

Next meeting will be on 10th June at 4.00pm in Sr Elizabeth Kelly room

If you're passionate about racial justice - regardless of your faith or background - you are warmly invited to join our Parish Racial Justice Group. To learn more, please visit the CARJ (Catholic Association for Racial Justice) notice board by the statue of St. Martin de Porres, or speak with a member of the Parish CARJ Team. We'd love to welcome you!

Ann Malone (Chair of the Parish CARJ)

(5th, 12th, 19th June)	Workshops on the origins and continuing work of the Religious (Sisters) in our parish (see notice in the porches)
6th July	Parish BBQ
10th August	International Table
17th October	WCMAD Fundraiser (We Can Make A Difference) St Aidan's Club (Parish Club)
19th October	World Mission Sunday

Save the Date

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



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.

