Sunday 3rd November 2024



First Reading: Deuteronomy 6: 2-6

Listen, Israel: you should love the Lord your God with all your heart

Responsorial Psalm

I love you, Lord, my strength

Second Reading: Hebrews 7: 23-28

Because he remains for ever, Christ can never lose his priesthood

Gospel Acclamation

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life

Gospel: Mark 12: 28-34

This is the first commandment. The second is like it.

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

OFFICE/CHURCH

Parish Office:

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Mass cards available from church/office.

(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 Parish Website every week at: www.stagnes-staidan.org.uk

Newsletter items by Thursday morning to parish office

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Images taken during services and events in our Church may be shown on social media or other publications. If you would prefer your image not to be included please let us know.

The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

SHARe Knowsley

Please remember the box at the back of church for the collection of toiletries for those in need





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THIRTY-FIRST 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.

Parish of Sts. Agnes & Aidan Live stream Masses

Holy Mass is live streamed every Sunday at 11am 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 2nd November - Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

Mass 5.30 pm - Patsy Smith, Veronica Gregory

<u>Sunday 3rd November - Thirty - First Sunday of Ordinary Time</u>

Mass 10.30 am - Dennis Deary, Jimmy Riley

"The reality of those who are seeking sanctuary in the Liverpool Archdiocese" is a presentation by Kevin Duffy at both weekend Masses

Monday 4th November - Memorial of St Charles Borromeo, Bishop

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Wednesday 6th November

7.30 p.m. Celebration of the Word and Communion

Saturday 9th November - Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Mass 5.30 pm - Eddie Taylor, Alicia Bowden

Sunday 10th November - Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 10.30 am - Anne Glavisky, Jean & Tommy McNally

Mass of Remembrance for all the faithful departed on Wednesday 27th November at 7.30pm. Please bring a photograph of your loved ones to be placed by the altar

<u>Confessions: Saturday 5pm - 5.20pm (or by appointment)</u>

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



SHARE KNOWSLEY NEEDS YOUR HELP

Want to make a difference to people's lives and do something rewarding? Come and join us. Share Knowsley is looking for volunteers. There are many different ways you can help:

- Helping staff t at he drop-ins
- Supporting in the English classes
- Sorting donations
- Working 1:1 with a client
- Helping with casework

If interested please contact us

The admin@shareknowsley.org.uk and the phone number is: 07915 252300

We are also collecting prizes for our Christmas Fayre for tombolas and our raffle. If you have any donations, please bring them to the Old School House or to the back of church.

Thank you so much
Margaret Roche
Chief Executive Officer

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.



HOUSEBOUND PARISHIONERS

If you are aware of any housebound parishioners who would like to receive Holy Communion at home or in the nursing homes please contact the parish office. Please note we are also looking for Eucharistic Ministers who would be willing to be part of this ministry.

Thank you

Love your neighbour as being yourself

The 4th-century theologian Jerome tells a story about the Apostle John. John was old and frail, unable to walk, so his disciples would carry him into the gathering of believers on the Lord's Day. Every week these were his words to the congregation: "Little children, love one another." This went on week after week, until at last, more than a little weary of these repeated words, his disciples asked him, "Master, why do you always say this?" "Because," John replied, "it is the Lord's command, and if this only is done, it is enough." [1]

The teaching of Jesus, to love God and our neighbour as ourself, appears in the Gospels eight times. This should help us realise the significance of this teaching but I wonder how many of us, when reading today's gospel, inwardly said, "I know this. I have the T-shirt." We skim-read the words. Or, if we do stay with them for a short while, we may reflect on traditional interpretations:

- Love God and love others. You can't have one without the other.
- Love your neighbour as yourself. "Do to others what you would have them do to you," or "Love your neighbour as much as yourself."

'If we listen closely to Jesus however, there is no 'as much as' in his admonition. It is "Love your neighbour as yourself." Or 'Love your neighbour as being yourself - as a continuation of your very own being. It's a complete seeing that your neighbour is you. There are not two individuals out there; there are simply two cells of the one great Life.' [2]

'Neuroscience can demonstrate that when a loving or positive thought comes our way, we have to savour it consciously for at least fifteen seconds before it can imprint itself in our "implicit memory;" otherwise it doesn't stick. We must indeed savour the good in order to significantly change our way of seeing and being.' [3] "Love your neighbour as being yourself."

Valarie Kaur, an American lawyer, educator and faith leader, invites us to look upon the face of anyone and say: "You are a part of me I do not yet know. I will listen to your story. Stories can see no stranger." [4]

'Our Gospel story ends in stunned silence. Silence is the appropriate first response to the radical love we're called to. We dare not speak of it glibly. We dare not cheapen it with shallow sentiment or piety. Rather, let's ask for the grace to receive it as the wise scribe received it: in awed and grateful silence.' [5] Then, when we are ready, 'let's acknowledge God's presence within us and reach out and affirm God's presence in the other.' [3]

Adapted: [1] Michael Pahl [2] Cynthia Bourgeault, [3] Richard Rohr [4]TED talk. Valarie Kaur [5]Debie Thomas

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, George Boland, Violet Chadwick, Grace Cheeseman-Woolerton, John Clintworth, James Corbett, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Marie D'arcy, Despina, Suzanne Ellison, Maureen Grimwood, Eileen Head, Claire Hindley, Sue Hodgson, Barbara Holman, Marie Hunter, Claire Illingworth, Joelle, Peggy Kane, Dennis Ling, Sheila McGrattan, Maureen, Michael & Lawrence McClintock, Patricia Markey, Tim Merritt, Frank Molloy, Ann-Marie Naylor, Kathleen O'Gorman, Jimmy Quai, Levinia Redpath, Mia Robinson, Nilma Cristina Rodrigo, Walter Runge, Sara, Betty Savage, Collette Stalford, Donna Sothern, Billy Turner, Mike Twigg, Sr Josephine Vassallo, Frank Walsh, Joan Walsh, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Tony Wernham, Vera Whitfield, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe,

Lately Deceased

Jerry Neville, John Kelly, Irene Bannister

Anniversaries

Sarah Maylor, Tommy Kearns, Jean McNally

Contemplative Prayer Session

Tuesday 12th November 10:30 am - 11:30 am. All are welcome.

Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 2nd November - Pensioners Club

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. Weekday Opening: The church is open daily (except on bank holidays) from 10am—1pm for quiet prayer and refection.

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 guiet prayer should you wish.

ALL ARE WELCOME



Baptism Preparation meeting: First Monday of each month at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be on Monday 4th November

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.

BAPTISMS ARE HELD ON:

1st Saturday 12 noon and 1.00 pm 1st Sunday 1.30 pm and 2.30 pm 4th Sunday 1.30 pm and 2.30 pm

BAPTISM CERTIFICATES

Can be obtained from the Parish Office. 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 on 13th November

1 pm until 3 pm in the parish meeting room

(Sr Elizabeth Kelly room) New Members always welcome.

Craft Club

The next craft meeting will on Thursday 21st November 2024 11 am — 1 pm.. We will now have a subscription of £2 per session

LGBTQ+ SOCIAL GROUP

Will meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 6 p.m. in Sr. Elizabeth Kelly room in the church of SS. Agnes and Aidan, Huyton, L36 5SQ

The next meeting is on Sunday 17th November

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'

Mother Teresa's sisters / Seel Street sister's appeal

Many thanks for the generous donations we have received to date. The box will be available for the next few weeks. Thank you

SCHOOL ADMISSION FORMS

Any school forms for the children who attend church regularly (mass attendance for at least two years) should not be filled in by the parents/guardians, and should be handed over to Fr. Anton in person. Please note these forms will be emailed directly to the schools.

Tuesday 12th November 2024

Community Prayer Circle at 1-3pm.

A space to come together and pray for the needs of our parish and our local community.

Music Group: at 7pm in the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community room. All are welcome. previous experience not necessary.

Our Parish supports Nugent Care

Nugent care is a registered charity, well known for the work they do caring for, educating, and protecting vulnerable children, young people and adults through their schools, care homes, and community and social work services. As well as this, they provide general housing advice and support to people who are homeless, vulnerable to homelessness or vulnerable. Many people will not realise the full extent of what Nugent Care do, as their work is extensive in meeting the many needs of people in Liverpool.

For many years we have been collecting second hand clothing and donating them to the Nugent Care charity shop on Allerton Road in Liverpool. These donations have raised a significant amount of finance for the Nugent Care charity which in turn makes a huge difference in the lives of many people.

Unfortunately, due to a lack of volunteers the shop has had to <u>temporarily</u> close it's doors.

We will continue to take in donations and will keep you informed of where your donations are going.

Nugent Care are extremely grateful for the donations over the years and would like to thank you for your kindness. Thank you.

LUNCHEON CLUB

SS Agnes and Aidan Catholic Church 82 Huyton Hey Road, L36 5SQ

Wednesday 20th November at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 11th December at 12.30 pm

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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.

Car Boot Sale

Last Saturday of each month 8am to 12 noon. **Next Car boot sale on 30th November.**

