

Sunday 19th May 2024



First Reading:

Acts of the Apostles 2: 1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak

Responsorial Psalm:

Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading:

St Paul to the Corinthians 12 :3-7,12-13

In the one Spirit we were all baptised

Gospel Acclamation:

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love

Gospel:

John 20:19-23

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you: receive the Holy Spirit

OFFICE/CHURCH

Parish Office:

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Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 1.00 pm

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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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The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

*9th June -
International Table
(CARJ)*

NEWSLETTER



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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 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 18th May - Crowning of Our Lady

Mass 5.30 pm - Tommy Smith, Sr Celesta Nagahama

Sunday 19th May - Pentecost Sunday - (Crowning of Our Lady)

Mass 9.30 am - George Miller, Sr Adelia Moreira

Mass 11.00 am - Peter Markey, Sr Ives Masotti

Monday 20th May - Memorial of Our Lady, Mother of the Church

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Tuesday 21st May

Requiem Mass 12 noon - Annette Devine

Wednesday 22nd May

7.30 pm - Celebration of the Word and Communion

7pm - 9 pm Family of Parishes meeting at St. Columba's Hillside Avenue, Huyton L36 8DL

Thursday 23rd May

Requiem Mass 12 noon - Kitty Merrutia

Friday 24th May

11.00 am - Memorial Service - Brenda Grimes

Saturday 25th May - Memorial of St Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doc White

Mass 5.30 pm - Fiona Gregory, Sandra & Ray Nelson

Sunday 26th May - Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Mass 9.30 am - Evelyn Whitehead, Geraldine McLachlan

Mass 11.00 am - James Taylor, Gerry Ball

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



Llysfasi Residential Spirituality Workshop - 12th - 29th August

Llysfasi will be hosting a transformative workshop at the Loreto Spirituality Centre in Llandudno from 12 - 29 Aug, 2024. This workshop offers a creative experiential journey rooted in the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Participants will engage in prayer, personal reflection, contemplative listening, discernment, and retreat experiences, all aimed at deepening their spirituality and capacity for accompaniment. Spaces are limited, so apply soon by contacting Mary Rose Fitzsimmons HHS at maryrosefitzsimmons@btinternet.com or visit llysfasi-spirituality-workshop.org.uk for more information and application forms.

RCIA

All those who would like to be baptised, confirmed or received into full communion with the Catholic church at the Easter Vigil 2025 will need to inform us by Sunday **18th August 2024** as this is the deadline for registration for the RCIA Programme.

Red Mission Boxes

We need to update our Gift Aid information for the mission boxes. If you have a red box and are a UK taxpayer, please contact Jan Burrows (07708 567 257) to ensure all details are current.



Focolare Summer Gathering 25th-28th July 2024

The Mariapolis, a summer gathering organised by Focolare for people of all backgrounds and ages, provides an opportunity to build a small, temporary society based on the life of the gospel, mutual respect and understanding. The programme will include moments of worship, reflection, workshops, games, outings and activities for all ages. Focolare is an international movement that seeks to bring about unity through putting the words of the Gospel into practice in daily life, drawing together people of all Christian traditions and many other religions. For more information, please contact mariapolis@focolare.org.uk, or see the posters in the porches.

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver

The Sisters will be here on 18th and 19th May to appeal on behalf of the Sisters Missions Committee of England and Wales. They will tell us about their missionary work and will be grateful for your support

Finding Peace in Forgiveness

“Once everything falls into place, then I will find peace.” By that, we usually mean, “Once I have sorted everything out, then I will find peace.” That is our ego speaking. The Holy Spirit within us says: “Find peace and then everything will fall into place.” [1]

There are times when our life situation is so overwhelming that we wonder if we will ever experience the peace of Christ which is already within us. Jesus shows us how this is possible when almost immediately after his greeting, “Peace be with you” he speaks about forgiveness. Forgiveness reveals *three goodnesses* simultaneously. When we forgive, we choose the goodness of the other over their faults, we experience God’s goodness flowing through ourselves, and we also experience our own capacity for goodness in a way that almost surprises us. We are finally in touch with a much Higher Power, and we slowly learn how to draw upon this Infinite Source. The Spirit within us creates an unrelenting desire toward forgiveness and reconciliation. True Spirit-led forgiveness always frees and heals at least one of the parties involved, and hopefully both. To live in peace we need to extend forgiveness not only to all people but also to everything. We need to forgive reality for being what it is. *Forgiving everything for being what it is* becomes the only way we can finally live in peace.” [2] ‘Forgiveness unbinds, frees us and loosens us so that something new can happen.’ [3] When we unbind others, we are also unbound.

‘I used to think of the fruits of the Spirit as ‘things’ given to us, like something in gift boxes. Now I think of them not as things but as energies already within us. If we believe that we are created in the image and likeness of God, we believe that the Spirit of God is already within us. Our prayer, “Come Holy Spirit” then becomes, “Come forth from within us and help us to recognise and live your energies.’ Our gospel reading today invites us to pray:

“When we come face to face with the challenge of offering forgiveness to the heart that rejects us.... Spirit of God, move us with the energy of your love within us.” [4]

Adapted: [1] Marianne Williamson [2] Richard Rohr [3] Living space [4] Joyce Rupp

ALTAR SERVERS REUNION

We would like to invite Altar Servers who have served for at least two years from 2005 to contact the parish office as soon as possible as we hope to have a get together for former Altar Servers at our parish barbecue.

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, Jane Blakemore, George Boland, Katie Brown, Violet Chadwick, Terry Collins, James Corbett, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Marie D’arcy, Despina, Claire Hindley, Barbara and Mike Holman, Peggy Kane, John Kelly, Dennis Ling, Marie McFarlane, Sheila McGrattan, Tim Merritt, Frank Molloy,

Ann-Marie Naylor, Michael O’Brien, Kathleen O’Gorman, Levinia Redpath, Mia Robinson, Betty Savage, Collette Stalford, Donna Sothern, Billy Turner, Mike Twigg, Sr Josephine Vassallo, Frank Walsh, Joan Walsh, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Tony Wernham, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe,

Lately Deceased

Kerry Swift, Kitty Merrutia, Mary Rowley,

Anniversaries

John Byrne, Terence Kirman

Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 19th May: Malcomb McMillan

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 refecton.*****



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.

ALL ARE WELCOME

Baptism

Baptism Preparation meeting:
First Monday of each month at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be on Monday 3rd 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.

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 22nd May
1pm until 3pm in the parish meeting room
(Sr Elizabeth Kelly room)
New Members always welcome



Car Boot Sale

Last Saturday of each month 8am to 12 noon



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 19th May

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'

Monthly Craft Group

Our next get together will be held in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room on 23rd May

PARISH COUNCIL

Next parish council meeting will be on Monday the **24th June at 7pm**. All the members of the parish council are kindly asked to attend this important meeting.

Many Thanks, Fr. Anton

Music Group: Tuesday 28th May at 7pm in the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community room. All are welcome. Previous experience not necessary.

Community Prayer Circle Tuesday 28th May at 1-3pm. A space to come together and pray for the needs of our parish and our local community. If you have a prayer intention, please complete a prayer slip (by St Martins or Our Lady statues) Tea and coffee served. Bring a packed lunch.



FIRST COMMUNION DATES

18th May St. Anne's First Communion
10.00 am & 12:30 pm
(17th May—Reconciliation and Rehearsal)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 23rd May - **CARJ** meeting to discuss arrangements for the International Table 7.30 at St Agnes & St Aidan
- 9th June - International Table (CARJ) @ St Agnes & St Aidan
- 23rd June - Meeting for parishioners travelling to Rome
- 14th July - BBQ and Fundraiser @ St Agnes & St Aidan
- 6th Sept - Main Fundraiser in St Aidan's Club
- 9th Sept - Parish Pilgrimage to Italy
- 27th Oct - World Mission Sunday (CARJ)



PIETY STALL

There are a varied range of cards and gifts on the piety stall at the back of church. We also have a variety of First Holy Communion cards, rosaries and candles. If you cannot find what you are looking for we will attempt to obtain them for you if possible

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

The balance for the trip to Rome is due by 1st June
People sharing a twin room - balance £930 per person
People with a single room - balance £1,380 per person
Everyone needs to be aware that due to new EU Regulations the inception date on all passports needs to be checked as passports which have a life of more than ten years may not be valid. Your passport needs to be valid for at least six months on your return.

SOUP CLUB

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

Wednesday 19th June at 12.30 pm
Wednesday 17th July at 12.30 pm
Wednesday 21st August at 12.30 pm
Wednesday 18th September at 12.30 pm
Wednesday 16th October at 12.30 pm
Wednesday 20th November at 12.30 pm
Wednesday 18th December at 12.30 pm

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