

Sunday 5th April 2026



**First Reading Acts 10:34a, 37-43**

*We ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.*

**Responsorial Psalm**

**This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad.**

**Second Reading Colossians 3:1-4**

*Seek the things that are above, where Christ is.*

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed; let us therefore , celebrate the festival in the Lord..**

**Gospel Reading John 20:1-9**

*He must rise from the dead.*

The Order of Mass can be found on page 4 of the Hymn Book.

### OFFICE/CHURCH

Parish Office:

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Tel: 0151 489 3085

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](http://www.stagnes-staidan.org.uk)  
Newsletter items by Thursday morning to parish office

### PARISH CONTACTS

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**Deacon:**

*Mike Whelan*

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*St. Anne's* 0151 477 8260

**PARISH CLUB**

**St. Aidan:** 07932 404 521



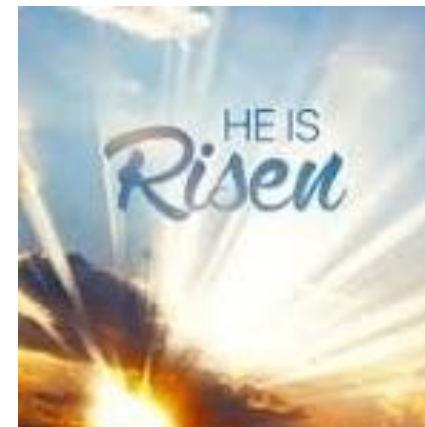
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## The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

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A three-night short holiday and pilgrimage to Lindisfarne will take place from Monday 17 to Thursday 20 August 2026. The trip is now almost fully booked. Only two spaces remain — either two single rooms or one double room. If you would like to join us, please contact the parish office before 15 April.



NEWSLETTER

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**EASTER SUNDAY  
THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

**Year A**

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.

#### Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil 4th April

Mass 8.30pm - Asylum Seekers & Refugees

#### Easter Sunday 5th April - Resurrection of the Lord

Mass 10.30 am - Parishioners of St Agnes & St Aidan

#### Wednesday 8th April

7.00 pm - Daphne Flynn, Mary Hughes

#### Friday 10th April

Mass 12 noon - Joey Cain, Dr Jeremy Gardner

#### Saturday 11th April

Mass 5.30pm - Veronica Gregory, Stella O'Rourke

#### Sunday 12th April - Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

Mass 10.30 am - Michael McCloy & Chris Pringle, Desmond Duurado

Confessions: Saturday 5.00 pm - 5.20 pm (or by appointment)



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



### First Communion Preparation

The application deadline for First Communion this year has now passed. Please make sure, if you haven't yet collected your child's pack, you do so as soon as possible and start attending Mass as often as possible.

We look forward to getting to know you over the coming months in Mass, Little Church and in the tea club.

St. Aidan's **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2026 10:00 am**

St. Joseph's **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2026 12:30 pm**

St. Anne's **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2026 10 am and 12:30 pm.**

(Times will be allocated by a draw once we have confirmed numbers)

All other schools **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2026 3:00 pm**

#### **Saturday 9th May at 11 am**

Mass will be followed by an enhanced Tea Club gathering.

Additional information will be issued shortly.

#### **Saturday 11th July at 11 am**

Mass will be followed by our Parish Special BBQ and Social Gathering.

Further details will be provided in due course.

Parishioners are kindly asked to record these dates in their diaries.



### OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES 2026/2027

Thank you to all those parishioners who have used Offertory envelopes over the last year. New boxes are now available at the back of the church. Boxes are set out in alphabetical order. Please collect your box as soon as possible.

Please let the office know if the address is incorrect. Many thanks again for your support.

### SRI LANKA

A trip to Sri Lanka is being planned for around 8 November 2026.

If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office for more details. (0151-489 3085)

This journey will be different from our previous trip to Sri Lanka, with a more flexible approach that allows travellers to adjust their plans and visit other places of personal interest if they wish.

Further information will be shared as arrangements develop.

***“They saw the linen clothes lying on the ground.”***

For all three liturgical cycles the Gospel reading for Easter Sunday invites us to the empty tomb where we find linen cloths abandoned on the floor and another carefully rolled up (some translations say folded) in a separate place.

In her poem, ‘A Remnant of Resurrection’, Joyce Rupp reflects on that part of the daffodil, the spathe, which protects the fragile bud but is discarded when the daffodil is in full bloom.

*What captures my attention is one small, thin remnant,  
voluntarily discarded, beneath the smiling daffodils.  
this dry, transparent cover, a cast-off tube of protection  
once concealing a fragile bud, conveys the price of blooming.*

*I pick up this remnant of resurrection and hold it for a long, silent time,  
wondering what soul-shroud of mine needs to be unwrapped,  
before I, too, am blooming.’*

We may have many soul-shrouds: dreams of how we wanted our lives to be; busyness – to avoid being fully present to our life situation. Perhaps we may be holding onto something even though we know it isn’t helping us to grow. It’s almost like a security blanket, a survival strategy, because we feel we have nothing else to hold onto.

- *God of discarded remnants, your wisdom enables us to know what needs to be left and what needs to be carried into the future. We yearn for insight and wisdom.*
- *God of the empty tomb, untomb and uncover all that needs to live in us.*
- *God of the wonder of Resurrection, remove our resistance to the surprising ways you choose to enter our lives.*
- *God, source of all life, breathe life into all that is un-lived within us.*

**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*

**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, Shona Blackey, Marie Bowden, John Bradshaw, Trina Bromwell, Diane Bruder, Margaret & Gordon Caruthers, Violet Chadwick, Grace Cheeseman-Woolerton, John Clintworth, Victoria Coffey, Sr Mary Connell, James Corbett, Janet, Ray and Nicholas Cragg, Marie D’arcy, Collette Davies, Janet Davies, Despina, Patricia Fisher, Brian Funnell, Dr Jeremy Gardener, Alison Hardman, Joseph Hill, Claire Hindley, Sue Hodgson, Barbara Holman, Marie Hunter, Claire Illingworth, Barry James, Joelle, Kim Jackson, Peggy Kane, Dennis Ling, Ray Lloyd, Mary Lynch, Sheila McGrattan, Maureen, Dee McCloy, Michael & Lawrence McClintock, Alan McKeown, Christine Malone, Joe March, Patricia Markey, Cathy McMurry, Tim Merritt, Peter Muldoon, Ann-Marie Naylor, Kathleen O’Gorman, Louise Owens, Ged Privilege, Julie Quarless, Mia Robinson, Nilma Cristina Rodrigo, Walter Runge, Marie Sanbter, Sara, Betty Savage, Joan Smith, Donna Sothem, Alan Spain, Billy Turner, Sr Josephine Vassallo, Molly Wallis, Frank Walsh, Joan Walsh, Dylan Watson, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Vera Whitfield, Emma Williamson, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe,

**Recently Deceased**

Lillian Gaffney, Margaret Dwyer, Paul O’Brien

**Anniversary**

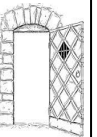
John Sweeney

**Sanctuary Lamp Week 12th April - We Can Make A Difference (WCMAD)**

**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 & 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**

**1<sup>st</sup> 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 TUESDAY 7TH APRIL**  
**(Because of the Bank Holiday)**

**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**  
**8th April 2026**

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

### **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)

## **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 19th April**

**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'

### **Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community Room**

- Community Prayer Circle (1-3pm)
- **Next meeting 7th April**
- Music Group (7.30 pm)
- **Next meeting 7th April**

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**  
**25th April 2026**



### **Confirmation 2026**

All those from St Agnes & St Aidan and St Aloysius  
who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of  
Confirmation are asked to note that the celebration  
will take place on **3 July 2026** at Our Lady of the  
Immaculate Conception, Prescot.

Please contact the Parish Office as soon as  
possible.

My dear parishioners,

A very Happy and Blessed Easter to you all.

Thank you for your kindness, your faithfulness, and your generous commitment to our parish community. Your support — often quiet, steady, and unseen — is what allows our parish to remain a place of welcome, hope, and compassion.

I am especially grateful for the way we work together as one community — not seeking personal ambition or recognition, but offering our gifts as a true team, always for the good of the parish and those we serve.

As we celebrate the Resurrection, we hold in prayer all who live with fear, war, and injustice. We remember especially the peoples of the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan, Myanmar and every place where suffering overshadows daily life. May the Risen Christ bring peace to our world, healing to the wounded, and courage to all who work for justice.

May this Easter fill your homes and hearts with renewed hope.

With every blessing,

Fr Anton

### **GUITAR LESSONS**

There is still some time to sign up for basic guitar lessons every other Tuesday in the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Room

First session is on Tuesday 7th April at 6.30 pm

### **Mass Intentions**

When completing a Mass Intention envelope, please include your name and contact number. Occasionally, due to unforeseen circumstances, we may need to cancel a weekday Mass at short notice. Having your contact details allows us to inform you as soon as possible. If you are requesting a Mass for a specific date, please provide at least a few weeks' notice.

**We would also like to thank all those who make a donation for the Mass Intention.**  
**Your generosity is greatly appreciated.**