

St. Aidan's Parish Centre

Memberships available

Tuesday: Slimming World
9.30am, 11.30am & 5.30pm
(Michelle 07940181515)
Country Night 7.30pm

Wednesday
Bingo at 1pm
Quiz Night

Thursday
Bingo 7.30pm
Zumba 6.30-7.30pm (£3)

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

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New Memberships available

Mon/Tues—Darts Night

Tuesday
Bingo 7.30pm

Wednesday
Quiz night from 9.30pm

Thursday—Pensioners Club, 1pm-3pm
tea and coffee Bingo/Raffle
Bingo 7:30pm

Saturday evening—live entertainment
in the lounge

Sunday—Country & Western night.

The Concert /Function room is
available for hire on Friday & Saturday
evenings, weekday afternoons &
Sunday afternoons.

All enquiries contact:
Justyna on 0151-489-3990
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The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan

NEWSLETTER



Sunday 24th February 2013
Second Sunday of Lent
Year C

Liverpool Roman Catholic Archdiocesan Trustees Inc.
Reg Charity No 232709

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.*

**HUNGRY
FOR
CHANGE**

CAFOD Fast Day

Friday 22nd February is CAFOD fast day. Information and activities are available at www.cafod.org.uk. Please collect your donation envelope from the back of church.



Prayer Requests

For those who are sick or in special need of our Prayers

Dougie & May Hayhurst, Sue Johnson, Margaret Maguire, Bill Hall, John Hunter, Paul Roberts, John Roberts, Rose Bryan, Katie Nichols, Daisy May, Claire Bruder, Clare Deane, Martin Thomas, Craig Wilson, Pauline Campbell, Kathleen Ross, Tricia Robinson, Ryan Johnson, Brian Whiteacre, Barbara Shervall, May Cooper, Marie Keights, Ian Gordon, Marie Mills, Dorothy Kelly, Bernard Foley, Anne Maguire, Mary Parker, Maureen Lincoln, Mia Lewsey, Margie, Michael Williams, June Hunt, Terry Thompson, Maisy Eason, Brenda Cubells, Rose Saunders, John Pollard, Lily O'Neill, Dean Easton, Anne Nolan, Lawrence McClintock, Nicky Allen, Bill Jones, Christopher Massam, Jim Phillips, Joe Muraski, Marion Fallon, Betty Johns, Frank & Joan McCann, Vera Cummins, Rose Rimmer, Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess, James Soundie, Marie D'Arcy, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Jim Rose, Tony Clintworth, Baby Aidan James Morris, Lynn McNabb, Claire Waldron, Kay Vaughan, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Vera Murphy, Sandra Rowley, Nel Jordan, Josie Campbell, Jack & Winnie Witter, Peggy Skidmore, Baby Eddie Anthony Doran., Emma Davies, Angela Fleetwood, George Gibbons, Maria Edge, Mary Fullerton, Mary Organ, Rose Rawlinson, Averyll Fairfield, Hilda Logan, Carol Atkinson, Brendan Reilly, Christine Lees, Jennifer Hewitt, Pauline Clegg, Joseph Hill, Susan McDougalle, Mary Scaife, Pat Madden, Eileen Mooney, Philip Gallagher, Ron Crowney, Carl Atkinson, Phil Ridler, David Critchley, Ursula Mary Erfani, Clare Pendleton, Michael Lyons, Charles Cawley, Victoria Hill- Edmundson, Dolly Morten, Jennifer McLaughin, Samantha Jones,

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

Winifred Ivy Ward, Joan Kirk, Angela Herrity, Robert Grierson, Norma Fargin, Mary Teresa Quinn

Anniversaries

Norman Arnold, Dougie Maylor, Norah Barrigan, Elizabeth Kelly, John Horan, Olga Sweeney, Rose Boyle,

Sanctuary Lamps

This week 24th February 2013

St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp—The Parishioners of St Agnes

St. Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp— The Parishioners of St Aidan

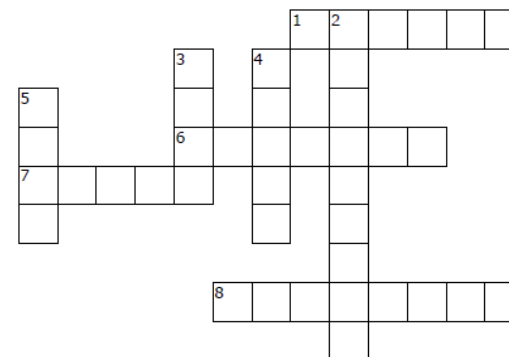
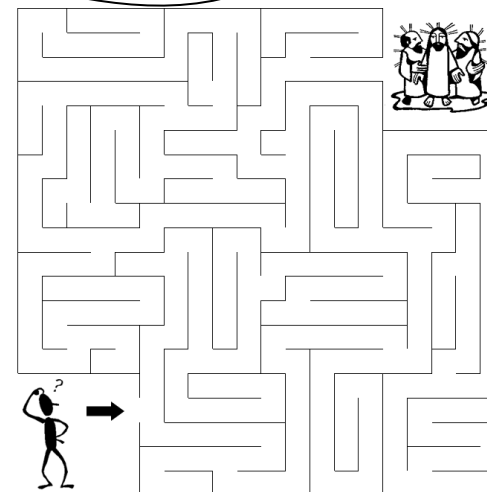
Please ensure that details of your dedication are written on the front of the envelope and placed in the black post box in the Sacristy.

Please enter your Gift Aid Number if you have one. Thank you.



On the Mountain Top

Can you find the way to Jesus, Moses, and Elijah on the mountain?



ACROSS

1. Ready to go to bed or take a nap
6. Things such as a dress or trousers that you wear to cover your body
7. The opposite of being asleep
8. A raised part of the Earth's surface, much larger than a hill

DOWN

2. A flash of bright light in the sky produced by electricity
3. The front of the head, where the eyes, nose and mouth are
4. A grey or white mass floating in the sky, made of very small drops of water
5. To speak to God

MOUNTAIN
PRAY

FACE
CLOTHES

LIGHTNING
SLEEPY

AWAKE
CLOUD

Joint Parish Youth Club

The youth group is for children and teenagers from Year 5+. We meet Thursday evenings in the Sr. Elizabeth meeting room at St. Agnes' from 7-9pm. Entrance is 50p and there are refreshments available to purchase. Please join us!

We are looking for adult helpers who may be able to offer activities for the young people. If you are interested in helping, please see Annette Dunning or contact the office.



Suggestion Boxes

There are suggestion boxes at the back of St. Agnes' church (by the statue of St. Agnes) and in the foyer of St. Aidan's church. If you have any suggestions, comments or feedback, please feel free to put them in the box.



Fourth Dimension Shop

Do you have a couple of hours free during the week? If so the Fourth Dimension Shop in the village is in need of new volunteers and would love to hear from you. The shop is an ecumenical charity founded to raise money through the sale of goods and refreshments to assist in developing countries and to meet the needs of our own area. If you are interested in helping, please contact: The Fourth Dimension Shop in Huyton Village 482-0044



Romania & Albania Projects



If you are a parishioner who is 18+ and regularly worship at St. Agnes or St. Aidan's you may like to help on our projects in Romania or Albania. There is a group that meets every first Saturday of the month at 6.30pm at **92 Adswood Road** (after 5.30 Mass). If you are interested, please come along!

Children's Calendars for Lent

There are calendars for Lent available for children at the back of church. These have an activity, thought or suggestion for each day and are a good way of helping children to understand and participate in Lent. Please collect one and use it with your family.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 23rd February

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm– Celia Wilkes & Betty Jump

Sunday 24th February –Second Sunday of Lent

St Aidan Mass 9.30am– Ann Paterson

St Agnes Mass 11am— George & Michael Lewis

Monday 25th February –

St Agnes 9.30am—Celebration Of The Word & Communion

Tuesday 26th February

St. Aidan Holy Hour 11am-12 Noon

St Agnes Requiem Mass 1.30pm—Mary Teresa Quinn

Wednesday 27th February

St Agnes Mass 7.30pm– Dixey Freeley & Vincent Shaw

Thursday 28th February

St Agnes Mass 9.30am - Robert Sloan & Linda Smith

Friday 1st March—FEAST OF ST. DAVID *(Women's World Day Of Prayer)*

St Agnes Mass 9.30.am –Christine Lewis

St Aidan Mass 12noon—Catherine & William Burn & Mark Burn

Saturday 2nd March

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm— Henry Cliff & Brennan Family

Sunday 3rd March 3rd Sunday of Lent

St Aidan Mass 9.30am— Terry Burn

St Agnes Mass 11.00am—Joe King & Tom McCluskey

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.

Parish Collections

Sunday 17th February 2013

St Agnes £826.99

St Aidan £399.32

Standing Orders: January 2013

St. Agnes £905.50

St Aidan's to follow

St. Agnes' team to count:

This week team 2

Thank you for your generosity.

Krakow Trip



There are information letters in the sacristy for those travelling to Krakow. Please collect your letter and let Claire know if you have any further questions.

NB: You must make sure you have travel insurance and a European Health Insurance Card prior to travelling. Insurance is NOT included in the trip.



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

Heidi Louise Dunn

*Who will be baptised on Saturday 23rd
February 2013 at St. Aidan's Church*

*Please remember this child
and her family in your prayers..*

St Agnes' Little Church

We are looking for children who would like to be readers during youth Mass once a month. Please speak to one of the Little Church helpers if your child would like to read.

Sunday 24th February

Janice & Marie

Sunday 3rd March

Lesley & Honor



Sacramental Preparation



Thank you to all those parents and children who attended the 5th preparation meeting this week at St Aidan's Club despite the very cold and wet weather.

The next meetings are: Tuesday 5th March, 6pm at St. Agnes' Club

Wednesday 13th March, 6pm at St. Aidan's Club

Jesus was transfigured; rather, that "his face changed in appearance." Like Moses, whose face was radiant after being with God on Mount Sinai, and Hannah, whose face was lifted up after her prayer was heard, so Jesus' encounter with God is written on his face. He comes to understand that, indeed, he is to go to Jerusalem, and that he will be put to death there, but his death will not be the end of his life and mission. Rather, his exit from earthly life will bring the new liberation of God's people. The Greek word *exodus* literally means "exit," connoting "death," and also evokes the liberation of the Israelites from slavery.

During this intense prayer of discernment, Jesus is given sure signs that he is guided by God in his choice. A cloud, the sign of God's presence with the Israelites as they went forth from Egypt, overshadows him, as at his baptism. Two heavenly messengers embody the divine presence giving Jesus strength as he leans on God's word in the law and the prophets. The heavenly voice reassures both him and his disciples of Jesus' chosen status and the rightness of his choice. Thus assured of God's love and direction Jesus turns his transformed face toward Jerusalem. Placing his own life in danger, Jesus makes a deliberate, prophetic choice to continue to "proclaim liberty to captives," as he had declared in his hometown synagogue. His death is not an inevitable fate, but a choice for freeing love.

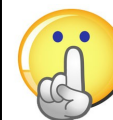
Praying With Scripture

- When have you been invited to risk your own comfort or security to serve the needs of others?
- Reflect on how difficult choices for love can be freeing.
- What does your face reveal about your relationship with God?

- Barbara E. Reid

Baptism Certificates

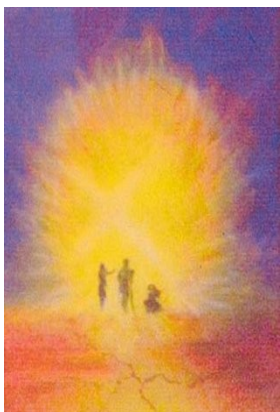
If you need a copy of a baptism certificate, please remember to give the office a couple of days notice. You will receive a phone call when it is ready and we would be grateful if you could collect it promptly.



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.

"Be Still and know that I am God"



The Face of Freedom

A missionary friend working in a country where many forms of violence are part of the fabric of everyday life remarked to me recently that she is very conscious that she can choose whether to stay or leave. This is a choice that the people to whom she has dedicated her life do not have. Some friends and family members do not understand how she could choose to put her own life in danger for the sake of the people she has come to love as her own.

Such a choice faces Jesus in today's gospel. In Luke's version of this story, which we hear every year on the Second Sunday of Lent, there are unique details that point to an earlier source that tell us more clearly what really happened at the transfiguration.

The episode is set at an important turning point in the gospel. Jesus has been teaching, preaching, healing, exorcising demons, and gathering disciples as he traverses the Galilee. But soon he will "set his face to go to Jerusalem." Something happens on the mountaintop that helps Jesus to know what the next step in his mission is. Luke alone notes that when Jesus goes up the mountain with Peter, James, and John, his purpose is to pray.

A clue to the nature of Jesus' prayer comes in the content of the conversation between Jesus, Moses and Elijah. They "spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem." Jesus is wrestling with the decision whether he should leave Galilee and direct his efforts toward Jerusalem, the centre of religious and political power. There is still much to do in Galilee, and he could continue to minister there, but he struggles to know whether his efforts could bring about greater systemic change if he were to go to Jerusalem.

But Jesus is no fool. The writing is on the wall. Oppositions to him is already mounting, and it would only intensify if he were to go to Jerusalem. As at every major turning point in the gospel, Jesus enters into deep communion with God as he discerns what to do.

In this profound encounter with God, Jesus receives surety about his next steps, and this "aha" experience is visible on his face. Notably, Luke does not say that

PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

Main Parish Office:

St Aidan's
92 Adswood Road
L36 7XR

Office Hours: Monday 9am-4pm

Tuesday 9.30am - 12.30pm

Wednesday 9.00am—12.30pm

Thursday 10am - 4pm

Friday 9am - 4pm

All Enquiries to

Tel/Fax : 0151 489 3085

St Agnes Church
82 Huyton Hey Road
L36 5SQ

For Mass Cards etc

Hours: Friday - 1pm — 4 pm

(Church no- 0151 449 2209)

Also available from St Aidan's

Church

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.

Parish Web Site-

Parishes-of-stagnes-
staidans.org.uk

PARISH CONTACTS



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Sr. MaryRose - 0151 482 6895

Sisters of St. Mary of Namur

Sr. Barbara –228-2239

Sr. Gabriel-489-1302

Sr. Sarah-489-1302

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St. Joseph

0151 489 4072

St. Anne's

0151 477 8260

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Parish Priest

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Deacon-Mike Whelan

Pastoral Assistant-

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'Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan'.

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 10:30am

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.



Table Top Sale

Over the winter months, the car boot sale will become a table top sale in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly meeting room at St. Agnes' (entrance on St Mary's Road). This will be on the last Saturday of every month from 8am-12pm (£5 per table). You must ring the office to book a place. Please feel free to come and look around for a bargain!



St. Agnes' Altar Servers

There is a practice for all altar servers on Saturday 2nd march at 11am in the church.
Thank you. Pat Canning



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. So if you have any left over holiday money—please dig it out, however little!

Asda Receipts

We continue to collect receipts, to help with fundraising for 'We Can Make a Difference' and Romania. Please leave them in the boxes at the back of church. Many thanks for your continued support of this endeavour!



Catholic People's Weeks

Some of our events are for people of all ages – families with children, as well as people (of any age) without children. Others are for those aged 18 and over. Whichever you choose, you'll find food for thought, fun and friends.

In 2012, there are eleven events, varying between 2 and 7 days, on a range of themes. All our events – whether weekend, long weekend or week-long – offer the revitalising mixture of engaging talks and activities, prayer and socialising, in a community setting, that makes CPW so much valued by its members.

Visit: www.catholicpeoplesweeks.org.uk

Missing Parishioners...

If you have noticed somebody missing from Mass for a period of time, please let the office know. We have a card to send out to people, telling them that they are missed and inviting them back. People stop coming to church for all sorts of reasons and it is nice for them to know that the community is thinking of them and praying for them.

Assumption Lay Volunteers

If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering overseas for a year or more, the Assumption Lay Volunteer Programme may be for you. The programme is for people aged 20 and over who are willing to take up the challenge of living in a culture that is very different to their own and who want to share in the lives of the poor, the young and the marginalized. There are postcards at the back of church and more information can be found at: www.alvp.org.uk

Year of faith

As part of the Year of Faith, we will be holding a Holy hour on Tuesdays at 11am-12 noon. This will be at St. Aidan's church. Please join us this Tuesday.



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.

