

Sunday 22nd October 2023



First Reading: Isaiah 45: 1.4-6

I have taken Cyrus by his right hand to subdue nations before him.

Responsorial Psalm:

Give the Lord glory and power

Second Reading:

St Paul to the Thessalonians 1: 1-5

We constantly remember your faith, your love and your hope

Gospel Acclamation:

Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth

Gospel: Matthew 22: 15-21

Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belong to God

NEW OFFICE/CHURCH

Parish Office:

82 Huyton Hey Road L36 5SQ

Tel: 0151 489 3085

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 1.00 pm

Email Address:

agnesaidan@rcaol.org.uk

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

PARISH CONTACTS

SISTERS:

Helpers of the Holy Souls

Sr. Elizabeth 0151 480 7904

Sr. Mary Rose 0151 482 6895

Daughters of St. Paul 0151 487 8550

St. Mary of Namur 0151 489 1302

Deacon:

Mike Whelan

PRIMARY SCHOOLS:

St. Aidan 0151 477 8370

St. Joseph 0151 477 8990

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Parish Priest

Fr. Anton Fernandopulle

0151 489 3085

(Resident in parish)

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Christine Ball - christinewball@gmail.com

Safeguarding Representatives

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PARISH CLUB

St. Aidan: 07932 404 521

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The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan



Sunday 22nd October 2023

Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

World Mission Sunday

Year A

Missio (Red Boxes) is the Pope's Charity for

World Mission

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.

NEWSLETTER

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 21st October

Mass 5.30 pm - Shirley Dykstra, John Brannon

Sunday 22nd October - Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time **World Mission Sunday**

Mass 9.30 am - Sr Maria Flavia Bordignon, Bill Nolan

Mass 11.00 am - Asylum Seekers & Refugees, Parishioners

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.

Monday 23rd October

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Wednesday 25th October

Mass 7.30 pm - Bill York, Sr Maria Amalia Mancilla

Friday 27th October

Mass 12 noon - Sr Bianca Rose Shimazu, Sr Maria Yenzania Ranieri

Saturday 28th October - Feast of Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles

Mass 5.30 pm - Maureen Funnell, Michael Foster

Sunday 29th October - Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.30 am - Joan Peters, Special Intention

Mass 11.00 am - Jean & Tommy McNally, Terry Coogan

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



What is World Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday falls on the penultimate Sunday in October. It is the one Sunday in the year when the Mass is celebrated exclusively for missionary activity.

World Mission Sunday is our chance to show love and solidarity to our brothers and sisters overseas who share our faith. In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked.

Missio is responsible for coordinating World Mission Sunday and provides new, young or poor dioceses with the essential support they need on their journey to becoming self-sufficient.

What is Missio:

Missio is a word that comes from modern Latin and means [a group sent out by a religious organization](#). It is derived from the Latin word mittere, which means "to send, throw" Missio is the Pope's Charity for World Mission Pray with us Support Missionaries.

We work through local bishops, churches and missionary congregations to ensure that resources are distributed equitably and justly – on the basis of need. The money goes directly from England and Wales to the bishops in the mission territories – local Church directly helping local Church!

Missio funds the Church of the future in mission dioceses overseas. We build Church infrastructure and support those in need, regardless of background or belief, in 157 countries.

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Last year you helped Missio Raise £5.1m in England and Wales to help 21,000+ of the world's poorest children Train 2,854 Seminarians Raise £2.3m through the Red Box.



Taxing Questions

'Today's gospel is an example of 'either/or' thinking; all or nothing thinking. When presented with two alternatives, most people think that by choosing one we have the total truth. We call this dualistic thinking. The dualistic mind knows by comparison, opposition, and differentiation. It uses descriptive words like good/evil, pretty/ugly, right/wrong, not realising there may be a hundred degrees between the two ends of each spectrum. We do need the dualistic mind to function in practical life, however, and to do our work whatever that may be. It's helpful and fully necessary as far as it goes, but it just doesn't go far enough. The dualistic mind cannot process things like infinity, mystery, God, grace, suffering, sexuality, death or love; this is exactly why most people stumble over these very issues. Most of us settle for quick and easy answers instead of any deep perception, which we leave to poets, philosophers, and prophets. *Yet depth and breadth of perception should be the primary arena for all authentic religion.*' [1]

'The Pharisees and Herodians approach Jesus with their right/wrong dualistic thinking. Jesus unmask the question for what it is: an effort to trip him up rather than an inquiry proceeding from a sincere desire to know the truth. Jesus refuses to play their game. He doesn't answer their question, at least not in the way they want. Instead he deepens the question and turns it into one of relationship, of belonging. "Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God". The coin belongs to the emperor; the human being belongs to God. Each has been [marked with the image of its owner](#). We have been coined in the image of God.'

[2] The key to understanding today's gospel is knowing to whom we belong. Jesus is not separating the secular and the sacred, spirit and matter, divine and human.[2] Duality is the experience of separateness. Non-duality is the experience of interconnectedness. Our awareness of our oneness with God will guide our decision-making in all aspects of our lives and enable us to discern God's presence in everyone and in all things.

Adapted [1] Richard Rohr [2] Michael Marsh

Thank you for your help

Thanks to all those who provide transport to and from the church to some parishioners who are in need of this service. May I also say many thanks all the Eucharistic Ministers who regularly administer the Eucharist to the elderly, sick and housebound parishioners in their homes or in various residential units. Your generosity and kindness very much appreciated. May God bless you!

Fr. Anton

Prayer Requests

For those who are sick or in special need of our Prayers. Please advise the office if you wish to add someone to our Prayer list. Please also let us know if a name can be removed from the list.

Sue Adams, Nita Ambrose, Lynn Ashton, Ellie Beaton, Jane Blakemore, Cheryl Brodie, Triona Bromwell, Violet Chadwick, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Celia Cunningham, Jackie Cureton, Susan Curran, Marie D'acy, Ted Davies, Despina, Annette Devine, Kerry Patricia Doherty, Pauline Ellison, John Evans, George Finnigan, Patricia Fisher, Violet Fitzgerald, Grace, Gary Halliday, Karen Haynes, Victoria Hill, Barbara & Mike Holman, Jeanette Howard, Steve Hughes, Craig Johnstone, Brian Keoghan, Geraldine McLure, Marie McFarlane, Tony McIver, Alan McKeown, Susan McKeown, Thomas Mansfield, Peter Markey, Millie Martin, John Mitchell, Frank Molloy, Rosie Morley, Jane Murney, Catherine Merrutia, Susan O'Brien, Baby Olivia, Kerry Patricia, Claire Pendleton, Margaret & John Quixley, Maureen Robinson, Baby Rory, Marie Salkeld, Betty Savage, Donna Sothern, Collette Stalford, Shirley Tasker, Tommy, Billy Turner, Mike Twigg, Vaclava Vilgosova, Frank Walsh, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Meryl & Tony Wernham, Amy Wilson, Brian Wilson, John Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe.

Lately Deceased

Michael Foster, James Keight, June Halewood

Anniversaries

Mary Pollock, Joan Peters, Marlene McNally, Stephen Tohill

Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 22nd October : 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 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

Monthly Craft Group

Our next get together will be held in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room.
on Thursday date tba

Baptism

**Baptism Preparation meeting:
First Monday of each month at
7:30pm. The next meeting will
be on Monday 6th 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.

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

St Agnes & St Aidan Altar Servers

If any children/teenagers who are interested in becoming an altar server could you please attend a short meeting on Sunday 22nd October at 12.30pm.



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 November**

Please also follow the Instagram and Facebook page for the Group, or drop me a message for more information.

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'

Hope to see you here!

Holly (she/her) Group Leader



COPY BAPTISM CERTIFICATES

Copy certificates can be obtained from the Parish Office. Please email or phone the office with your request. Once ordered certificates can be collected from the office on **Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 10am to 1pm**

Eucharistic Ministers

All the Eucharistic Ministers who take communion to the housebound or nursing homes could you please inform the parish office the names of the persons/nursing homes you minister to. There needs to be a definitive list in the office of parishioners who are involved in this ministry

Many thanks

KNOWSLEY YOUNG ADVENTURERS

To provide the young people in the community the chance to enjoy themselves with friends and develop important personal and independence skills by participating in team building and leadership challenges during adventurous activities that are given in an inclusive, safe and secure environment

We meet every Friday at:

St Agnes and St Aidan's Parish Church
82 Huyton Hey Road, Huyton L36 5SQ



PARISH PENSIONERS' CLUB

Next meeting on 25th October

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

New Members will be made more than welcome

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

28th October 4pm Parish General Meeting

24th November Winter Night at
St Aidan's Parish Club



September 2024 Parish 10 day Pilgrimage to Monte Cassino, Assisi, San Giovanni (Padre Pio) and Rome-details to follow

NEW MEMBERS WANTED FOR LOCAL UKULELE GROUP

We do not teach but you can learn and improve with the group

If you are interested please call
Bryan 07725097814 or
Margaret 07919967848



Car Boot Sale

Last Saturday of each month
8am to 12 noon

£5 per table

To book a space ring
0151 489 3085



Prayer Requests

There are boxes for prayer requests at the statues on both sides of the church. These petitions will be prayed for by the community prayer circle at their monthly meeting.

Music Group: Tuesday 24th October at 7pm in the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community room. Music is good for the heart and the soul. A great opportunity to make new friends and serve the parish through ministry. All are welcome. Previous experience not necessary.

Community Prayer Circle Tuesday 24th October 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 statue) Tea and coffee served. Bring a packed lunch.