

Sunday 14th July 2024



First Reading:

Amos 7:12-15

Go, prophesy to my people

Responsorial Psalm

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help

Second Reading:

St Paul to the Ephesians 1:3-14

Before the world was made, God chose us

Gospel Acclamation:

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

Gospel:

Mark 6:7-13

He began to send them out

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

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(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

NEWSLETTER

21st July BBQ and Fundraiser for parish 'WCMAD' overseas projects in Suriname and Romania

Sunday 14th July 2024

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
Year B**

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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.

Our Churches as Sanctuaries

Ron Rolheiser, OMI
Teacher, Speaker, Columnist and Author

Whenever we have been at our best, as Christians, we have opened our churches as sanctuaries to the poor and the endangered. We have a long, proud history wherein refugees, homeless persons, immigrants facing deportation, and others who are endangered, take shelter inside our churches.



Unfortunately, our churches have not always provided that same kind of sanctuary (safety and shelter) to those who are refugees, immigrants, and homeless in their relationship to God and our churches. There are millions of persons, today perhaps the majority within our nations, who are looking for a safe harbour in terms of sorting out their faith and their relationship to the church.

Sadly, too often our rigid paradigms of orthodoxy, ecclesiology, ecumenism, liturgy, sacramental practice, and canon law, however well-intentioned, have made our churches places where no such sanctuary is offered and where the wide embrace practiced by Jesus is not mirrored. Instead, our churches are often harbours only for persons who are already safe, already comforted, already church-observing, already solid ecclesial citizens.

That was hardly the situation within Jesus' own ministry. He was a safe sanctuary for everyone, religious and non-religious alike. While he didn't ignore the committed religious persons around him, the Scribes and Pharisees, his ministry always reached out and included those whose religious practice was weak or non-existent.

Moreover, he reached out especially to those whose moral lives were not in formal harmony with the religious practices of the time, those deemed as sinners. Significantly too he did not ask for repentance from those deemed as sinners before he sat down at table with them. He set out no moral or ecclesial conditions as a prerequisite to meet or dine with him. Many repented after meeting and dining with him, but that repentance was never a pre-condition. In his person and in his ministry, Jesus did not discriminate. He offered a safe sanctuary for everyone.

We need today in our churches to challenge ourselves on this. From pastors to parish councils, to pastoral teams, to diocesan regulators, to bishops' conferences, to those responsible for applying canon and church law, to our own personal attitudes, we all need to ask: Are our churches places of sanctuary for those who are refugees, homeless, and poor ecclesially? Do our pastoral practices mirror Jesus? Is our embrace as wide as that of Jesus?

When Healing Begins

During this holiday season many people are packing suitcases, the contents of which reflect the anticipations and expectations of the travellers, reflecting where they want to go, what they want to see and what they want to do, but knowing that it won't be possible to experience all the gifts their journey has to offer.

Today we are being invited to be a loving, healing presence wherever the journey of our lives takes us. The only luggage we need for this journey is our awareness of Christ's love within us and within our worldwide companions on the journey. Each companion has his or her own experience of the divine. We will only be able to experience everyone's gifts if we have the humility to remove from our mental and emotional baggage all our preconceived ideas of having sole ownership of knowing what is the right way, what we should see and what we should do. We will miss so much if our starting place is the place where **we** are right.

The Place Where We Are Right

From the place where we are right
Flowers will never grow
In the spring.

The place where we are right
Is hard and trampled
Like a yard.

But doubts and loves
Dig up the world
Like a mole, a plough.

And a whisper will be heard in the place
Where the ruined
House once stood.

Yehuda Amichai

Now healing will begin.

Church security is everybody's responsibility

May I ask all those who go for walks in the area to spend a few minutes checking around the church grounds and report any vandalism or anti-social behaviour. We need to be alert to any people loitering around the property.

We appreciate everyone looking out for our church property.

Many Thanks

Fr. Anton

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 21st July - BBQ and Fundraiser @
St Agnes & St Aidan
- 6th Sept - Main WCMAD- Fundraiser in
St Aidan's Parish Club
- 9th Sept - Parish Pilgrimage to Italy
- 27th Oct - World Mission Sunday (CARJ)



LUNCHEON CLUB

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

Wednesday 17th July at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 21st August at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 25th September at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 16th October at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 20th November at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 11th December at 12.30 pm

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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 13th July

Mass 5.30 pm - Terry Feery, Geraldine McLachlan

Sunday 14th July - Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time - Sea Sunday

Mass 9.30 am - Annette Devine, Tommy Donnelly

Mass 11.00 am - Teresa Rossiter, Tea ladies of St Agnes & St Aidan

Monday 15th July - Memorial of St Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Tuesday 16th July

Requiem Mass 10.00 am - Rosaline Bryan

Thursday 18th July

Requiem Mass 12 noon - Marie McFarlane

Friday 19th July

Requiem Mass 10.00 am - Kevin Sweeney

Saturday 20th July

Mass 5.30 pm - James Gregory, Peter & Nellie Lynch

Sunday 21st July - Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time - Parish Barbecue

Mass 10.30 am - Kathleen & Bob Latham, Michael Bruder

Followed by the Parish BBQ and fundraiser for WCMAD projects in Suriname & Romania

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



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.

Car Boot Sale

Last Saturday of
each month
8am to 12 noon



Parish WhatsApp Group

Its wonderful to see so many parishioners connecting via the parish WhatsApp group. All those who worship here and their families are invited to be part of this link.



If you are interested please contact Brian Roberts on 07779328414.

This is a great tool to keep everyone informed of important events/services Our hope is that this will bring more positive energy to our vibrant parish community.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

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

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



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, James Corbett, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Marie D'arcy, Despina, Claire Hindley, Barbara Holman, Peggy Kane, John Kelly, Dennis Ling, 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

Mike Holman, Mary Kelly, John Clintworth, John Ging

Anniversaries

Michael Bruder, Peggy Coyne

Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 14th July -Those affected by global warming

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 5th August**

**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 24th July
1pm until 3pm in the parish meeting
room
(Sr Elizabeth Kelly room)
New Members always welcome

The coach trip to Llandudno has now
been rescheduled for Wednesday
31st July

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 21st July**

Instagram: St.Agnes_St.Aidan_LGBTQ & on
Facebook

[https://www.facebook.com/
groups/580539512933145/?ref=share](https://www.facebook.com/groups/580539512933145/?ref=share)

Facebook: 'Parishes of Sts Agnes & Aidan's
LGBTQ+ Social Group'

Pilgrimage to Italy

If you require any details about the pilgrimage to Italy please contact the office. We also need to know who will need transport to the airport either outward or return to enable the appropriate transport to be booked.

**The deadline for booking transport is
9th August**

Music Group: Tuesday 16th July at 7pm in the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community room. All are welcome. Previous experience not necessary.

Community Prayer Circle Tuesday 16th July 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 Martin or Our Lady statues) Tea and coffee served. Bring a packed lunch.

