Sunday 21st June 2020



Jeremiah 20:10-13 Jeremiah expresses confidence that the Lord will protect him.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 69:8-10,14,17,33-35 God responds to the prayers of those in need.

Second Reading

Romans 5:12-15

Sin came into the world through one person; so salvation came through one person for many.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:26-33

Jesus assures the Twelve that God cares about them.

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Sunday 21st June 2020 Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

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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.

Prayer Requests

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

Amy Adair, Tricia Andrews, Carol Atkinson, Baby Grace, Baby Sonny, Elsie Blundell, Philip Bromwell, Triona Bromwell, Sophie Bond, Aaron Carmichael, Steve Chamberlain, Margaret Chandler, Thomas Clegg, Nicholas Cragg, Janet & Ray Cragg, Eileen Critchley, John Cunningham, Marie D'Arcy, Mary Davis, Nathan Davies, Annette Devine, Graham Dawson, Sarah Doherty, Eddie Doran, Maria Edge, Margaret Edmondson, Nancy Evans, Margaret Flynn, Philip Gallagher, Collette Garlick, Janine Garvey, George Gibbons, Wyn Graham, Nick Gregory, Fr. Bernard Higham, Amanda Hill, Joseph Hill, Christina Hill, Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Ann Holden, Barbara & Mike Holman, Kathleen Hughes, Marie Hunter, Joe, Jimmy Jones, Eileen Joyce, Kathleen Keenan, Marie Keight, John Kennedy, Molly Kennedy, Kathy Latham, Kathleen Lawrence, Margaret Leadbetter, Sr. Ann, Christine Lees, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Peter Lovelady, Mary Lydiat, Mrs Lynch, Brenda McArdle, Lawrence McClintock, Bernard McCormick, Susan McDougalle, Maureen McGurk, Caelan McKeown, Patrick McKeown, Jennifer McKeown, Susan & Alan McKeown, Jennifer McLaughin, Alan McMahon, Kay McNeill, Roisin & Padraig McRory, Pat Madden, Christine Malone, Marion, Colette Martin, Kayleigh Martin, Terry Martin, Jerome Mitchell, Laura Mitchell, Mave Mooney, Steve Moore, Aidan Morris, Fr. Simon, John Mulcahey, Jane Murney, Margaret Murphy, Hazel Naylor, Terry Naylor, Maisie Linda O'Keefe, Paul, Jacqueline Patel, Wendy Paveley, Clare Pendleton, Wyn Pickup, Chrissie Pearch, Maisie Pritchard, Alison Randles, Alan Ratcliffe, Josie Riley, Bernard Riley, Sandra Rowley, Rose Sankey, Philip Simmins, Steve Smith, James Soundie, Maggie Steward Mary Waldron, Fr Nicholas Wild, Kate Williams, Anthony Wilson, Anthony Winrow, Kathleen Keenan. Rita McCartney, Frances Walsh, Madeline O'Hare, Norma Mudge, Bob Singleton, Rita Connelly, Ste Rimmer, Sr. Maureen McCollum, Niki Davies, Nick Berentzen, Deacon Joe Morgan

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 Deceased

John McManaman

Anniversaries

Susan (Sue) Fitzsimons, Mary Murray, Patricia Page

Sanctuary Lamps week beginning 21st June 2020

St Aidan - Those who work for justice and peace, Black Lives Matter Movement

Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass Intention, an Anniversary or anyone adding to the Prayer List.

Mass Intentions

During the lockdown Fr. Anton is celebrating Mass each day except Saturdays at 3pm (this may change due to funerals) in the presbytery and Fr. Richard will also celebrate at 10am in his home. We already have a number of Mass intentions for Masses that were already scheduled, but if you would like a Mass said, please will you contact the Parish Office (0151 489 3085).

Saturday 20th June— Memorial Immaculate Heart of Mary

5.30pm— Virtual Gathering

Sunday – 21st June— 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 3pm — Vicky Taylor, Fr. Austin Dobson

Monday - 22nd June - Feast of SS John Fisher and Thomas More

Mass 3pm— Keight Family, Volante Family

Tuesday - 23rd June

Mass 3pm — Shehzad and all the Voiceless Victims of Pakistan's Blasphemy Laws

Wednesday—24th June—Solemnity of the Birth of John the Baptist

Mass 3pm — Christopher and Norah Lloyd

Thursday- 25th June

Mass 3pm — Joseph Traynor, All Social Care Staff

Friday- 26th June-

Mass 3pm— Mary Murray, Parishioners

Saturday 27th June— Cyril of Alexandria

5.30pm— Virtual Gathering

Sunday - 28th June— 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 3pm — Janine Whitehurst, Siobhan Arnold, Norman Arnold

As of 15 June 2020, Archbishop Malcolm has given permission for three of the churches in our pastoral area to be opened for Private prayer.

These are:

St Michael + All Angels, Kirkby daily from 10.00am – 11.00am

St Columba's, Huyton daily 11.00am – 12.00pm

St Luke's, Whiston Tuesday to Sunday, 11.00am – 12.00pm

We hope that it will not be long before more of our churches can be opened.

Another New and easy way of contributing to Sts. Aidan and Agnes

Text giving is now available for each parish and the details below are ready to use for accepting both one-off and regular donations. Please note all texts cost the amount you donate plus one standard rate message

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Many Thanks for your kind generosity! *Fr. Anton Fernandopulle*

"Do not be afraid" FEAR is False Evidence Appearing Real

One of the gifts of Lockdown is that is has given us time be in touch with our emotions and in the process hopefully we have dispelled the myth of the "stiff upper lip" as being a sign of strength. "We've become so used to suppressing and judging our emotional responses if things are difficult, or we try to make them last if they are happy, nice ones. By allowing what's happening inside of us, we won't reject our difficult emotions or try to force ourselves to feel something different. Whatever we resist, persists. This is actually one of the leading causes of our suffering. A deepening spiritual journey is an invitation to be grounded in our immediate experiences, allowing them to be what they are. We then learn to welcome all our emotions as valid, and as potential teachers. Our inner state of turmoil can gently settle down when we acknowledge and make room for whatever is happening.

Paula D'Arcy tells us that God comes to us disguised as our life. It has taken me a long time to start appreciating that this life, as it is, is our greatest teacher if I let go of my attempts to glamourise or improve it, and rather be open to it with an attitude of surrender and receptivity. 'The word surrender itself means to hand oneself over or entrust oneself. It is not about outer capitulation but about inner opening. It is always voluntary, and rather than an act of weakness, it is always an act of strength.' (Cynthia Bourgeault) It is an opening to the 'I Am' presence of God, to the peace that passes understanding that is holding all that is real. True peace is not smooth circumstances or permanently peaceful, calm emotions or better insurance against disasters out there, but an ability to find a stability of presence and a deeper grounding in the quiet calm, restful embrace of God. Eckhart Tolle wrote: 'Forgive yourself for not being at peace. The moment you completely accept your non-peace, your non-peace becomes transmuted into peace. Anything you accept fully will get you there, will take you into peace. This is the miracle of surrender.'

(adapted: Sharon Grussendorf. Website: http://www.solitude.org.za for reflections)

Of what are you afraid?

Has your vision come to be so narrow? That you believe in only what you see and nothing more.

I know you know my heart. I embrace the lily and the sparrow Whoever taught you different does not know how much I love you.

(You Cannot Go Below My Resting Arms David Kauffman: CD 'Be Still')

Spiritual Resources

There are a number of links to live Mass streams, prayer suggestions and messages from Archbishop Malcolm on the Liverpool Archdiocese website: http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/Home-Page

We encourage you to take a look.

We would recommend tuning into the live Mass of Fr Peter Morgan at St Anne's Parish. This can be found at

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzmZorKVDC04H7FNifNIX9A

Little Church

There are resources for the little church on the parish Facebook page. -Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan' and the Parish Website -http://www.stagnes-staidan.org.uk/about

Virtual Gathering

At your usual Mass time, allow yourself time for prayer and quiet reflection.

Together pray the Our Father and the following prayer:

Generous God,

fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old, that we may look after one another in these challenging days.

Bring healing to those who are sick with the virus and be with their families.

May those who have died rest in your eternal embrace.

Comfort their family and friends.

Strengthen and protect all medical professionals caring for the sick and all who work in our medical facilities.

Give wisdom to leaders in healthcare and governance that they may make the right decisions for the well-being of people.

We pray in gratitude for all those in our country who will continue to work in the days ahead in so many fields of life for the sake of us all.

Bless them and keep them safe. Amen Close with the sign of the cross

Parish Funding During the Corornavirus Lockdown

It is always difficult to broach the subject of financial matters but having discussed with those directly involved in the parish finance and with the advice from the Archdiocese to the parishes, we feel we need to explain the financial situation to all our parishioners during this current crisis. We have had a number of enquiries as to how parishioners can continue to support the parish financially while there are no Masses and therefore no collections.

A portion of the parish income comes from parishioners who have a monthly standing order in place, while a large portion of the parish income comes from the collections at Mass.

We are acutely aware that the implications of the lockdown have had far reaching consequences for many. Some people may be feeling financial hardship at present and as such, we would fully understand if they decided to temporarily suspend their monthly standing order to the parish.

With no Sunday Masses at this time of lockdown, and all churches temporarily closed, the parish will receive significantly less income. In addition, the reduction in income will materially outweigh any reduction in expenditure, resulting in an ongoing weekly deficit.

In these circumstances, we would like to invite those parishioners who normally give to the weekly collection at Sunday Mass, either in envelopes or cash, and feel able to continue to do so, to consider setting up a monthly standing order for an equivalent amount.

Please contact us by e-mail (agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk) or phone (0151 489 3085) and we will provide you with the relevant account details.

In the event you would feel more comfortable continuing to use your giving envelopes, we are currently arranging to safely drop these at your homes. We would ask that you keep these until the churches are open again, as we currently have no safe way of collecting and counting them.

Many thanks for your ongoing support and prayers.

*For more ways of contributing please check the next page

