

## Parish Collections

18th August 2019

St. Agnes - £616.77

St Aidan - £293.04

St Agnes' team to count: Team 1

### July Standing Orders

St Agnes - £1,027.000

St Aidan - £ 95.00

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Psalm Go out to the whole world;  
proclaim the Good News.

Gospel Acc: I am the Way, the Truth  
and the Life, says the  
Lord; no one can come to  
the Father except through  
me.

Gospel: Luke 13: 22-30

Preface: Pages 47-51

### Rosary at St. Aidan's

The Rosary will be prayed on the  
first Sunday of the month  
at 4pm in St. Aidan's

*All are welcome.*



## Baptism

**Baptism Preparation meeting:  
First Monday of each month  
St. Agnes' church at 7:30pm**

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.

### St. Aidan's Baptisms:

3rd Sunday at 11am (Deacon)  
4th Saturday at 12 noon (Fr. Anton)

### St. Agnes' Baptisms:

1st Sunday at 12.30pm & 2pm (Fr. Anton)  
4th Sunday at 12.30pm (Deacon)

### St Agnes Welcoming Group

There is a need for more volunteers to help  
with the welcoming group. This is such an  
important role within our Church as for many  
people it is so nice receiving a warm smile or  
having a chat as they come in.  
Please have a think and let the office know if  
you could help



### FOOD BANK

Could any donations for the  
food bank be left at the back  
of either Church please.

*Thank you for your continued support!*

# The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan



**Sunday 25th August 2019**

**Twenty First Sunday  
of Ordinary Time**

**Year C**

NEWSLETTER

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.*

## 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, Caroline Britton,  
Jack Cardwell, Aaron Carmichael, Cathy Clarke, Thomas Clegg, John Cosgrove, Nicholas Cragg,  
Janet & Ray Cragg, Kathleen Crellin, 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,  
John Humphry, Marie Hunter, Jimmy Jones, Kathleen Keenan, Marie Keight, Peter Kelly, Dolly  
Kelly, John Kennedy, Molly Kennedy, Margaret Leadbetter, Sr. Ann, Christine Lees,  
Averyll Fairfield Logan, Peter Lovelady, Mrs Lynch, Brenda McArdle,  
Lawrence McClintock, Susan McDougalle, Maureen McGurk, Caelan McKeown,  
Patrick McKeown, Jennifer McKeown, Susan & Alan McKeown, Jennifer McLaughlin,  
Alan McMahon, Kay McNeill, Roisin & Padraig McRory, Pat Madden, Philip Malone,  
Marion, Colette Martin, Kayleigh Martin, Terry Martin, Anna Michaels, Jerome Mitchell,  
Laura Mitchell, Mave Mooney, Steve Moore, Aidan Morris, Fr. Simon, John Mulcahey,  
Jane Murney Margaret Murphy, Hazel Naylor, Maisie Linda O'Keefe, Mary Organ, Paul,  
Jacqueline Patel, Wendy Paveley, Clare Pendleton, Wyn Pickup, Maisie Pritchard,  
Alison Randles, Alan Ratcliffe Rose Rawlinson, Josie Riley, Bernard Riley, Sandra Rowley,  
Michael Ryan, Rose Sankey, Margaret Sergison, Steve Smith, James Soundie, Margaret Sutton,  
James Taylor, Mary Waldron, Fr Nicholas Wild, Kate Williams, Anthony Wilson, Anthony Winrow,

***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

### Anniversaries

Steve Sheridan, Michael Lawrence, Kathleen Lawrence

### **Sanctuary Lamps week beginning – 25th August 2019**

**St Agnes** - Parishioners of St. Agnes & St. Aidan

**St Aidan** - Jim Ford

*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.***

## PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

### Main Parish Office: St. Aidan

**92 Adswood Road, L36 7XR**

**Tel/fax: 0151 489 3085**

### Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Friday 9.00am - 4.00pm

### St Agnes Church

**82 Huyton Hey Road, L36 5SQ**

**Tel: 449 2209**

Mass cards available from either church

### Email Address:

agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk

### 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

## **St. Aidan's Parish Centre**

Memberships available

### TUESDAY

**Country Night 7.30pm**

### WEDNESDAY

**Bingo at 1.00pm. Quiz Night**

### THURSDAY

**Bingo 7.30pm**

### SUNDAY

**Cabaret Night**

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**

**Please note**

**There is no longer SKY in the club**

## PARISH CONTACTS

### **SISTERS:**

#### **Helpers of the Holy Souls**

*Sr. Elizabeth* 0151 480 7904

*Sr. Mary Rose* 0151 482 6895

*Sr. Silvia* 0151 482 6895

#### **Sisters of St. Mary of Namur**

*Sr. Barbara* 0151 481 0968

*Sr. Gabriel* 0151 489 1302

*Sr. Louise* 0151 489 1302

### **PRIMARY SCHOOLS:**

*St. Aidan* 0151 477 8370

*St. Joseph* 0151 477 8990

*St. Anne's* 0151 477 8260

### **PARISH CLERGY:**

#### **Parish Priest**

*Rev. Fr. Anton Fernandopulle*  
0151 489 3085

#### **Pastoral Assistant**

Christine Ball - christineball@gmail.com

#### **Deacons:**

*Mike Whelan, Joe Morgan*

### **PARISH CLUB**

**St. Aidan:** 0151 489 9024

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## **Medjugorje Trip**

For anyone travelling with us to  
Medjugorje in September, there will be a  
meeting on Friday 30th August at 7.30pm  
in Sr. Elizabeth Kelly room to discuss final  
arrangements.  
Many thanks

Christine Ball will be available in the parish office on Thursdays between 10am and 1pm. If you would like to discuss anything about parish life, voice concerns or ideas, please contact her via email ([christineball@gmail.com](mailto:christineball@gmail.com)) to arrange a time.

### Readers

There will be a meeting for all readers after each Mass on the weekend of 31st August/1st September. Many thanks. Christine Ball

### BEREAVEMENT CARE

Help, care and support is offered to all those bereaved, either recently, or anytime during the past. We are not counsellors, just a group of parishioners who have received training for this special ministry.

We offer a listening service if you wish to talk and share memories of your loved one. We can offer home visits, praying of the Rosary with the family and practical help and support. This service is available for both parishioners and non-parishioners. We also offer monthly DROP-IN sessions. This is an open invitation for anyone to come along and have a cup of tea/coffee.

**1st Wednesday of the month 2pm-4pm Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room,  
St Agnes Church**

**3rd Tuesday of the month 7pm-9pm St Aidan's Presbytery  
92 Adswood Road, Huyton, L36 7XR**

### MARY'S MEALS

It is that time of year again when we will shortly start collecting for Mary's Meal's. Items can be donated over the summer holidays at church. This will be the eighth year our parish has supported the school backpack project.

**A list of items required will be circulated over the coming weeks  
Please only donate the items requested on the list, as any other items  
may be removed at the sorting centre to avoid difficulties at customs  
and also when the bags are distributed in the villages.**



### Part-Time English Language Development Tutor

Self-employed ESOL sessional tutor teaching different levels of 2-hour lessons, up to 10 hours per week, from Tuesday to Friday (timings negotiable) at The Old School House in Huyton. Levels will be determined by needs of students but three lessons will be aimed at the lowest level. Must hold a TEFL qualification. Competitive rates of pay. See the notice board in the porch for details.

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday 24th August—Feast of St Bartholomew, Apostle

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm— Mary, Anthony & John Murray

#### Sunday 25th August—Twenty First Sunday of Ordinary Time

St Aidan Mass 9.30am - Charles & Molly McCloy

St Agnes Mass 11.00am - Steve Sheridan, Denis Coleman

#### Monday - 26th August—Memorial of Blessed Dominic Barberi of the Mother of God

St Agnes 9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

#### Tuesday 27th August— Memorial of St. Monica

#### Wednesday 28th August—Memorial of St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor

St Agnes Mass 7.30pm - For the protection of the Amazonian Rain Forest.

#### Thursday 29th August— Memorial of the Passion of St. John the Baptist

#### Friday 30th August—Memorial of St. Edmund Arrowsmith, Priest, Martyr

St. Aidan Mass 12 noon— SHARE Knowsley

#### Saturday 31st August— Memorial of St Aidan, Bishop & Saints of Lindisfarne

St Agnes Mass 5.30 pm – Mary Murray, Cecelia Joan Blackman

#### Sunday 1st September—Feast of St Aidan Patron Saint of our Community

St Aidan Mass 9.30am - Marie Riley, Mulcahey Family

St Agnes Mass 11.00am - James Abraham, Michael & Kathleen Lawrence,

**Confessions: Saturday at St Agnes 5pm- 5.20pm  
and 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.*

### St Agnes Altar Servers

There will be a practice on Saturday 7th September in St. Agnes Church at 11.00am  
All new servers welcome

Thank you      Pat Canning

### FOURTH DIMENSION TRUST - **Charity 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 to work in the shop 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**

**Tel: 0151 480 5257**

### COMMUNITY CHOIR

From September, we are going to start a community choir linked with our two churches. The choir is for anyone who loves to sing. The main criteria are enthusiasm and commitment. We would like this to be a real community choir and so are opening it up to all ages from 7 - 100+.

All children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

It will be on a Tuesday evening and will take place in The Old Schoolhouse from 6:30pm until 7:45. The first term dates will be:

September: 23, 30;

October: 7, 14, 21,

November: 4, 11, 18, 25

December: 2

Collect a registration form from the back of church or email  
christinewball@gmail.com

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2019

31st August - St Aidan Feast Day

1st September - Family Day at St Aidan

4th October - We Can Make A Difference Fundraiser - St Aidan's Club 7.00pm



### Choose Life

Today's Gospel is a patchwork quilt of images: *who will be saved, the narrow door, closed door, the master of the house refusing entry, the kingdom of God, being outside the kingdom, weeping and grinding of teeth, people coming from East and West, being first, being last.* Perhaps this passage doesn't fit in with our concept of a God who loves unconditionally. The temptation may be to file this gospel passage under 'Remind me later' or we may want to press the delete button! We may also try to unravel only one image and focus on that. How can we bring these images, these 'patches' together to create a beautiful work of art and then wrap this 'quilt' around us so that once more we experience the reassuring warmth of God's eternal and unconditional love.

Perhaps the thread that joins the patches together is our gift of freedom. Most of the world religions have some concept of heaven and hell. Why? Because human freedom matters. We have to be given the freedom to say no to love and life, and one word for that is hell. Heaven and hell are not geographic places. They are states of consciousness and they are right now. We choose right now if we want to live in a loving relationship with God and our neighbour or we choose to live a life of excluding others, protecting our own individual identities and possessions no matter what it takes to do so, choosing separation from the source of all life, love and joy. We are choosing our destiny *right now*. Do we want to live in constant opposition to others and life itself? Or do we want to live in love and communion?

When we choose love and life we choose to walk through 'the narrow door'. Jesus' listeners would have known he was referring to the 'Eye of the Needle Gate' in Jerusalem. The gate was so small that a man would have had to unload his camel of all that it was carrying and then carefully lead his camel through this small gate. Jesus is inviting us to let go of any baggage that prevents us from moving forward. However frightening that might feel, we need always remember that everything that matters, from all the experiences and encounters in our lives, has been internalised and is always part of us. It will continue to enrich us. When we realise this, we will find a new freedom in letting go of all that does not matter; we will be saved right now ('saved' is from the Greek meaning true wellness, complete wholeness); we will experience God within us right now.

*(Adapted from various sources: Donal Neary, Margaret Silf, R.Rohr)*

### Car Boot Sale - Saturday 31st August 2019

This will be held on the last Saturday of every month from  
8am - 12pm in Sr. Elizabeth Kelly's meeting room

**St. Agnes Church, Huyton Hey Road**

