

Sunday 7th April 2024



First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35

United, heart and soul

Responsorial Psalm:

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Second Reading: St John 5:1-6

Anyone who has been begotten by God, has already overcome the world.

Gospel Acclamation:

Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe'.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Eight days later, Jesus came

OFFICE/CHURCH

Parish Office:

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Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 1.00 pm

Email Address:

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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

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Deacon:

Mike Whelan

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PARISH CLUB

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The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

*1st May - Time to
Remember Service.*



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**Second Sunday of Easter
Day of Divine Mercy
Year B**

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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

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 6th April

Mass 5.30pm - Veronica Gregory, Patsy Smith

Sunday 7th April - Second Sunday of Easter

Mass 9.30 am - Mary McDonnell, Jimmy & Ella Watts

Mass 11.00 am - Sarah & Martin Coffey, Maureen Knight

Monday 8th April - Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

9.30 Celebration of the Word and Communion

Wednesday 10th April

7.30 Celebration of the Word and Communion

Saturday 13th April

Mass 5.30pm - Felix Doyle, Robert & Kathleen Latham

Sunday 14th April - Third Sunday of Easter

Mass 9.30 am - Brian Taylor, Sally-Ann Vitone

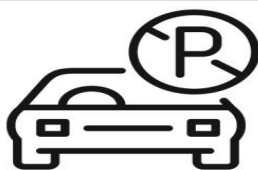
Mass 11.00 am - Ann Shields, Nina Warchalowski

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



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

Thank you



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

1st May - Time to Remember Service

9th June - International Table (CARJ) @ St Agnes & St Aidan

14th July - BBQ and Fundraiser @ St Agnes & St Aidan

6th Sept - Main Fundraiser in St Aidan's Club

9th Sept - Parish Pilgrimage to Italy

27th Oct - World Mission Sunday (CARJ)



PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

The balance for the trip to Rome is due by 1st June.

People sharing a twin room - balance £930 per person

People with a single room - balance £1,380 per person

Everyone needs to be aware that due to new EU Regulations the expiry date on all passports needs to have six months after leaving Italy. Your passport needs to have been issued after 9th June 2014

Llysfasi Residential Spirituality Workshop - 12-29 August

Llysfasi will be hosting a transformative workshop at the Loreto Spirituality Centre in Llandudno from 12 - 29 Aug, 2024. This workshop offers a creative experiential journey rooted in the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Participants will engage in prayer, personal reflection, contemplative listening, discernment, and retreat experiences, all aimed at deepening their spirituality and capacity for accompaniment. Spaces are limited, so apply soon by contacting Mary Rose Fitzsimmons HHS at maryrosefitzsimmons@btinternet.com or visit Llysfasi-spirituality-workshop.org.uk for more information and application forms.

Introduction to Sight Loss Friendly Churches (SLFC)

Thursday 9 May at 2pm (45 minutes)

Registration Link - https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcrd-CqjsqGd0mlqz3tulkQAHmsgg_vBDU

This session covers a brief overview of what it means to be a sight loss friendly church. There is an interactive element in the form of an informal quiz, personal stories and videos about sight loss and an overview of SLFC's services. Come along if you're thinking of signing up your church or if you'd like to refresh old knowledge. You can find out more at www.sightlossfriendlychurch.org.uk.

Locked Doors

'We all know about those locked doors. The locked doors of our lives are not so much about what is going on around us, but what is happening within us: fear, anger, guilt, hurt, grief, shattered hopes and dreams, the refusal to change. Every time we lock doors in our lives, we reveal our fear of trusting in Resurrected Life. Today we see in Thomas a transformation from doubt to belief in the Resurrected Jesus. His 'locked door' was his disbelief but this was just his starting place, nothing more and nothing less. It was neither good nor bad, right or wrong. We all have our starting places. The starting place for the story of *our* resurrection is whatever our circumstances are today. If we're dealing with deep loneliness, sorrow and loss, that's our starting point. That's the room which Christ enters. If we are locked in a house of fear, confusion or darkness, that's the place in which Jesus stands. If illness, old age, disability or uncertainty are facts of our life, that's the place in which Jesus shows up. If we feel lost, betrayed, disappointed, overwhelmed, that's the house Jesus enters. If joy, gratitude and celebration are the facts of our life today, that's the starting point for *our* story of resurrection. Living Resurrection, however, is difficult. For most of us it is a process, something we grow into over time. It is neither quick nor magical.' [1]

The Jesuit priest, Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, gently encourages us as we go through our process of surrendering to unknowing and mystery:

*'Above all, trust in the slow work of God
We are quite naturally impatient to reach the end without delay
... And yet it is the law of all progress
that it is made by passing through some stages of instability -
and that it may take a very long time ...*

*... Only God could say what this new spirit
gradually forming within you will be.
Give Our Lord the benefit of believing
that his hand is leading you,
and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself
in suspense and incomplete. [2]*

Adapted: [1] Michael Marsh [2] 'Patient Trust' Teilhard de Chardin, SJ

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, Jane Blakemore, George Boland, Katie Brown, Violet Chadwick, James Corbett, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Marie D'arcy, Despina, Annette Devine, Claire Hindley, Barbara and Mike Holman, Peggy Kane, John Kelly, Dennis Ling, Marie McFarlane, Sheila McGrattan, Tim Merritt, Frank Molloy, Ann-Marie Naylor, Michael O'Brien, Kathleen O'Gorman, Levinia Redpath, Betty Savage, Collette Stalford, Donna Sothern, Billy Turner, Mike Twigg, Sr Josephine Vassallo, Frank Walsh, Joan Walsh, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Meryl & Tony Wernham, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe,

Lately Deceased

Monica Adair, Gary Hughes, Edward Davies, Elizabeth Kirk, Fr. John Johnson

Anniversaries

Ann Shields, James Gary Aspinall, Graham John Wright, Esther Cooper, Sally-Ann Vitone, Brian Taylor



Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 7th April : Those struggling with addiction & their families

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 8th April

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 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.**

WELCOME TO OUR OPEN CHURCH

As a parish family we have invested a considerable amount of money on security to make it possible to keep the church open during the weekdays from 10am to 1pm (except on bank holidays) Please feel free to avail yourself of this opportunity to spend some valuable time in the presence of the blessed sacrament in private prayer or just to light a candle.



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 April

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'

GOLD BOOK

If you would like the name of your deceased loved ones written in **The Gold Book** please contact the parish office with their name and the month they died so that their names can be added. (0151 489 3085)



PARISH PENSIONERS' CLUB

Next meeting on 10th April

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

New Members always welcome

PIETY STALL

There are a varied range of cards and gifts on the piety stall at the back of church.

We also have a variety of First Holy Communion cards, rosaries and candles.

If you cannot find what you are looking for we will attempt to obtain them for you if possible

FIRST COMMUNION DATES

Reconciliation dates and rehearsals dates to be confirmed.

11th May St. Aidan's First Communion
10 am

11th May St. Joseph's First Communion
12:30 pm

12th May All other schools
First Communion 1:30 pm

18th May St. Anne's First Communion
10 am & 12:30 pm

PARISH COUNCIL

Next parish council meeting will be on Monday the 24th June at 7pm. All the members of the parish council are kindly asked to attend this important meeting.

Many Thanks
Fr. Anton

St Agnes & St Aidan - DBS Rechecks

Could we ask all people who are volunteers and have had a DBS check to contact either Honor Ambrose or Cath Golding and begin the preparation for a recheck. Unfortunately, the archdiocese have given us only a six week window to complete these checks.

The volunteers who only need a recheck will not have to complete the full set of paperwork but most will still need three pieces of identification.

We will be available after mass over the next couple of weekends and are hoping to have another drop in and would appreciate your co-operation. Many Thanks .

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

Community Prayer Circle Tuesday 16th April 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

SOUP CLUB

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

Wednesday 17th April at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 15th May at 12.30 pm

Wednesday 19th June at 12.30 pm.

Wednesday 17th July at 12.30 pm.

Wednesday 21st August at 12.30 pm.

Wednesday 18th September at 12.30 pm.

Wednesday 16th October at 12.30 pm.

Wednesday 20th November at 12.30 pm.

Wednesday 18th December at 12.30 pm.

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