

### New Offertory Envelopes

The new Offertory envelope boxes will be available for collection from the back of church from next weekend. Please help by collecting your box as soon as possible.

Thank you.

Parishioners of St.Aidan who regularly attend Mass at St.Agnes church will be able to collect their St. Aidan's envelopes from St. Agnes church

**Please note that new envelopes are to be used from 6th April**

### Gift Aiders Tax Refund

Did you know that if you are a tax payer who makes an offering either using offertory envelopes or by standing order payment, then the church can claim an **extra 25%** from the Revenue on the total amount given in the tax year. This refund is at no cost to you. Please simply sign a gift aid declaration form.

### Offertory Envelopes

If you would like to make your offering using offertory envelopes for the first time, Please fill in an application form which can be found at the back of the church.

Thank you

### A Lent Course Based on 'Les Misérables'



This Lent you are invited to a series of Lent reflections based on Victor Hugo's '*Les Misérables*'. Through discussion of some of the themes and principal characters we will explore the grace of God, alongside our imperfect state and opportunities for redemption and healing. We are invited to reassess what we can do with our lives, both for ourselves and for those around us. The first reflection meeting will be on Tuesday 11th March at 7pm and will be weekly throughout Lent.

### St Agnes' Little Church

Sunday 9th March  
Children's Mass  
Sunday 16th March  
Honor & Lesley



### Lourdes Pilgrimage

Parishioners travelling to Lourdes in September will need to pay their deposits by 25 March. The deposit is £150 per person and cheques should be made payable to: Parish of St Aidan. Places still available.

# The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan

## NEWSLETTER



**Sunday 9th March 2014**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**  
**Year A**

Liverpool Roman Catholic Archdiocesan Trustees Inc.  
Reg Charity No 232709

### 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**

Dougie & May Hayhurst, Sue Johnson, Margaret Maguire, Bill Hall, John Hunter, Rose Bryan, Katie Nichols, Daisy May, Clare Deane, Martin Thomas, Craig Wilson, Pauline Campbell, Bill Jones, May Cooper, Tricia Robinson, Ryan Johnson, Brian Whiteacre, Barbara Shervall, Marie Keights, Ian Gordon, Marie Mills, Dorothy Kelly, Bernard Foley, Anne Maguire, Mary Parker, Maureen Lincoln, Mia Lewsey, Margie, June Hunt, Michael Williams, Terry Thompson, Maisy Eason, Rose Saunders, Dean Easton, Jim Rose, Anne Nolan, Jim Phillips, Lawrence McClintock, Nicky Allen, Joe Muraski, Christopher Massam, Marion Fallon, Betty Johns, Nel Jorden, Marie D'Arcy, Frank & Joan McCann, Vera Cummins, Rose Rimmer, Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess, James Soundie, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Tony Clintworth, Lynn McNabb, Aidan Morris, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maria Edge, Maureen McGurk, Vera Murphy, Sandra Rowley, Josie Campbell, Winnie Witter, Peggy Skidmore, Eddie Doran, Angela Fleetwood, Mary Organ, George Gibbons, Mary Fullerton, Rose Rawlinson, Marie Higgins, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Carol Atkinson, Brendan Reilly, Christine Lees, Jennifer Hewitt, Pauline Clegg, Joseph Hill, Susan McDougalle, Pat Madden, Eileen Mooney, Philip Gallagher, Jenny Pye, Carl Atkinson, Phil Ridler, Ursula Erfani, Clare Pendleton, Mary Lyons, James Taylor, Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Dolly Morten, Jennifer McLaughlin, Caelan McKeown, Michael McDonough, Arthur Jones, Margaret Flynn, Colette Wilson, Aaron Carmichael, Triona Bromwell, Geraldine Kelly, Brenda Cubells, Janet & Ray Cragg, Josie Tinsley, Maisie Pritchard, Marion, Rose Sankey, Kay McNeill, Linda O'Keefe, Geraldine, Roisin & Pdraig McRory, Patrick McKeown, Wyn Graham, Margaret Murray, Margaret Sergison, Riley James Skeath, Anthony Winrow, Jimmy O'Neil.

**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 Dead

Maureen Russell,

#### Anniversaries

Jim Evans, Sara Lewis, John Murphy, Thomas Geraghty, Kay Cameron Till, Frank Bayliss, John Murray

### Sanctuary Lamps

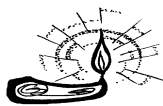
This week 9th March 2014

**St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp - Parishioners of St Agnes**

**St Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp - Shinghella Family**

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.**



theme. Midway through the gospel, we again hear Jesus say, "Get behind me, Satan!", when he is tempted by Peter to reject suffering as integral to his identity as beloved Son. Right to the end, as Jesus is dying on the cross the devil's words are echoed by the passersby: "If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross". The chief priests, scribes and elders chant the same: "He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son'".

Finally, the bandits who were crucified with him taunt him the same way. Yet again on the cross, Jesus turns to the Scriptures and prayer to stay solidly grounded in his identity as God's beloved Son. The words of Psalm 22 sustain him through the challenges that try to undermine his expectations of how God would care for him. The final verse of today's gospel assures us that just as God's angels accompanied Jesus in his ordeals, so we are never abandoned in times of trial.

### **PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE**

How do prayer and the Scriptures help you stay centred in your identity as God's beloved?

What helps you to recognise the subtle falsehoods that come from the tempter?

How have you experienced God's presence in the midst of trials?

Suriname WCMAD  
Mission Report 2014

Please note a comprehensive report for our parishioners, is available this weekend. We hope you will enjoy reading it.



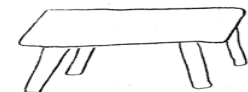
### Yoga

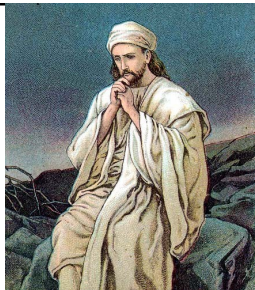
Yoga classes continue in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room at St. Agnes' on Wednesdays at 6.15 pm



### Table Top Sale - 22 March

This will be on the last Saturday of every month from 8am - 12pm (£5 per table) in Sr Elizabeth Kelly's room at St Agnes Church, Huyton Hey Road. Please ring the office to book a place. Feel free to come and look around for a bargain!  
0151 489 3085





## BEGONE, SATAN!

It is the subtle way that temptation resembles truth that gets us. For people who have made a fundamental choice to accept God's invitation to orient their lives toward the divine love, those things that are blatantly evil do not hold allure. They are easily recognisable as wrong, and it does not take much effort to reject them. The real temptations are the ones that are just close enough to the truth that they appear good and beneficial.

The author of Genesis captures this sense in the etiological account of how sin entered the world. The serpent, the mythological embodiment of temptation, is described as the most cunning of all the animals. It is able to twist the truth just enough to plant seeds of doubt and open the way toward rationalisation. At first the woman responds to the serpent by correcting the false version offered by the tempter, as she accurately conveys God's instructions. The tempter proceeds, oh so cleverly, to erode her fundamental orientation toward God and succeeds in getting her to shift her focus. Instead of seeking the Divine Giver, she now grasps at the enticing gifts.

The devil's tactics in the gospel are very similar. Jesus has just had a powerful experience at his baptism, of being filled with the Spirit and knowing in a profound way that he is God's beloved Son. It is this very sense of his identity that the tempter tries to undermine. First, the devil holds out this seductive image: surely the beloved Son is entitled to have all his hungers satisfied. Jesus instead focuses on his hunger for the word of God. Throughout the gospel, we see him feeding God's hungry people with both physical and spiritual food.

Next is the temptation to believe that if Jesus is truly the beloved Son, God would never let any harm come to him. God's angels would swoop down and rescue him before any danger could befall him. Again Jesus turns to the Scriptures, which enable him to recognise the falsity in the claim of the tempter. A third time the devil tries to derail Jesus' centredness on God as the source of all power and the one deserving of worship. Yet again, Jesus clings to the word of God to overcome the wiles of the tempter.

Finally the devil departs when Jesus commands, "Get away, Satan!" But not for long. The temptations circle back again and again, as variations on the same

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday 8th March

St Agnes Mass 5.30 pm - John Cullen

### Sunday 9th March - First Sunday of Lent

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Frank Bayliss, Lawrence, Paul & Rita Kearns

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - John Murray, Kay Cameron-Till

### Monday 10th March

St. Agnes 9.30 am – Celebration of the Word & Communion

### Tuesday 11th March

**St Agnes Requiem Mass 11.00am—Maureen Russell**

### Wednesday 12th March

St Agnes Mass 7.30 pm - Margaret, Mary & Mary Aloysius & Mary Benedict Rimmer

### Thursday 13th March

**St Agnes Requiem Mass 12.00 noon - Eileen Casey**

### Friday 14th March - (Lent Fast Day)

St. Aidan Mass 12 Noon - Ann Shields

### Saturday 15th March

St Agnes Mass 5.30 pm - Shaun Mudge

### Sunday 16th March – Second Sunday of Lent

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Peter Fitzgerald

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Maureen Donnelly

## Confessions

Saturday at St. Agnes 5-5.20 pm & 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.**



Welcome to the Parish  
family of  
St Aidan & St Agnes

**Annabel Mullin**  
**Evie Grace Bowen**  
**Charlize Geraldene Lawrence**

*Who will be baptised on  
Sunday 9th March  
at St Agnes Church*

*Please remember these children  
and their families in your prayers.*



### **St Agnes Mission Boxes**

The Mission Boxes are due to be  
emptied this month.  
The Collection from St Agnes last year  
was £4,305.  
Many thanks to all involved.

### **Parish Collections**

Sunday 2nd March  
St Agnes - £806.24  
St Aidan - £458.62

### **February Standing Orders**

St. Agnes - 829.00  
St. Aidan - £174.00

St. Agnes' team to count: 4  
***Thank you for your  
generous support***

### **Baptism**

**St. Aidan's Baptism Preparation:**  
2nd Monday of the month in St. Aidan's  
church at 6:30pm

**St. Aidan's Baptisms:**  
3rd Sunday at 10:30am  
4th Saturday at 12 noon

**St. Agnes' Baptism Preparation:**  
1st Tuesday of the month in  
St. Agnes' church at 7:30pm

**St. Agnes' Baptisms:**  
1st Sunday at 12:30pm  
2nd Sunday at 2pm

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.



### **Pastoral Meeting**

The next joint Pastoral  
Meeting will be held on  
9 March at St Aidan's Church at  
3.00pm.

### **Holy Hour**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on  
Tuesdays from 11am -12 noon in  
St. Aidan's church.  
Please join us this Tuesday.

### **Rosary at St. Aidan's**

The Rosary will be prayed on  
the 1st Sunday of the month at  
4pm in St. Aidan's. All are welcome.



### **PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY**

#### **Main Parish Office:**

**St Aidan's**  
**92 Adswood Road**  
**L36 7XR**

#### **Office Hours:**

Monday 9am - 12.30pm

Tuesday 9.30am - 12.30pm

Wednesday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Thursday 10am - 4pm

Friday 9am - 4pm

#### **All Enquiries to**

**Tel/Fax : 0151 489 3085**

**St Agnes Church**  
**82 Huyton Hey Road**  
**L36 5SQ**

*For Mass Cards etc*  
(Church no. 0151 449 2209)  
Also available from St Aidan's  
Church  
489-3085

**Newsletter items by Thursday  
morning to Main Parish Office**

**New Email Address:**  
agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk

**For your information**  
**Parish Newsletters are posted on  
Parish Website every week.**

**Parish Web Site-**  
Parishes-of-stagnes-  
staidans.org.uk

### **PARISH CONTACTS**



#### **SISTERS:**

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Sr. MaryRose - 0151 482 6895

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Sr. Barbara - 228 2239  
Sr. Gabriel - 489 1302  
Sr. Sarah - 489-1302

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St. Joseph  
0151 489 4072  
St. Anne's  
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#### **Parish Clergy** **Parish Priest**

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#### **Deacon: Mike Whelan**

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