

Parish Collections

Sunday 14th May

St Agnes - £741.47

St. Aidan - £344.79

April Standing Orders

St. Agnes - £1,007.00

St. Aidan - £110.00

St. Agnes' team to count: Team 3

***Thank you for your
generous support***

Page references for Mass **21st May 2017**

Readings: 772

Psalm: Cry with joy to God
all earth.

Gospel Acc: Jesus said: 'If anyone
loves me he will keep my
word, and my Father will
love him, and we shall
come to him.'

Gospel: John 14:15-21

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St Aidan's Little Church



Sunday, 21st May
Jane

Sunday, 28th May
Geraldine

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 11am (Deacon)

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 & 2pm

4th Sunday at 12.30pm (Deacon)

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.

*Welcome to the Parish
family of St Agnes
and St Aidan*



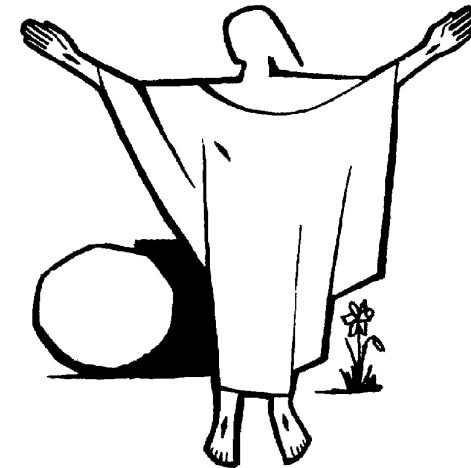
Lucy Anne Murphy
Riley James Joseph Hughes
Tommy Stephen Read
Neve Pamela McElhinney

*Who will be baptised
on Sunday, 21st May 2017
at St Aidan's*

Please remember these children
and their families in your prayers.

The Parish of St Agnes and St Aidan

NEWSLETTER



Sunday 21st May 2017

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Year A

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

Vera Cummins, Philip Bromwell, James Soundie, Mary Organ, Thomas Clegg,
Daphne Flynn, Tony Clintworth, Aidan Morris, Maria Edge, Kay McNeill,
Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Amy Adair,
Phil Ridler, Eddie Doran, Sandra Rowley, Winnie Witter, Joseph Hill,
Rose Sankey, George Gibbons, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Carol Atkinson, Sr. Ann,
Christine Lees, Susan McDougalle, Pat Madden, Marion, James Taylor,
Philip Gallagher, Carl Atkinson, Ursula Erfani, Clare Pendleton,
Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Wyn Graham, Josie Riley, Jennifer McLaughlin,
Caelan McKeown, Mary Davis, Jimmy Jones, Margaret Flynn, Aaron Carmichael,
Triona Bromwell, Patrick McKeown, Maisie Pritchard, Janet & Ray Cragg,
Maisie Linda O'Keefe, Margaret Sergison, Nancy Evans, Collette Garlick,
Anthony Winrow, Nick Gregory, Kathleen Hughes, Philip Malone, Anthony Wilson,
Nathan Davies, Mrs Lynch, Ann Gavin, Roisin & Pdraig McRory, Jerome Mitchell,
Lawrence McClintock, Pauline Irvine, Peter Kelly, John Kennedy, Laura Mitchell,
Tony Gavin, Josephine Phillips, Sophie Bond, Colette Martin, Jennifer McKeown,
Christina Hill, Baby Sonny, Angela Smith, Alan McMahon, Graham Dawson,
Kathleen Keenan, Kate Williams, Gerry Reid, Fiona Wilson, John Humphry,
Rose Rawlinson, Marie Hunter, Michael Bruder, Tommy Swift, Nicholas Cragg,
Sarah Doherty, Sheila Kinsella, Fr Ron McGivern, John McCormack, Eileen Critchley,
Terry Martin, Fr. Bernard Higham, Michael Ryan, Stella Passey. Fr Simon,
John Mulcahey, Hannah Leatherbarrow, Sr Egno,

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

John Glynn and Cath Malcolm

Anniversaries

Mary Maudsley, Mary Teresa McLoughlin, Maureen Purcell, Teresa Hodges,
Thomas Till, Thomas Kearns.

Sanctuary Lamps week beginning – 21st May 2017

St Agnes - Parishioners of St. Agnes and St. Aidan

St Aidan - Special Intention

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's
92 Adswood Road, L36 7XR

Office Hours:

Monday 9.00am - 12.30pm
Tuesday 9.00am - 12.30pm
Wednesday 9.00am - 12.30pm
Thursday 9.00am - 12.30pm
Friday 9.00am - 4.00pm

All Enquiries to:

Tel/Fax: 0151 489 3085

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For Mass Cards etc.

Tel: 0151 449 2209

Also available from
St Aidan's Church 0151 489 3085

New Email Address:

agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk

For your information:

**Parish Newsletters are posted on
Parish Website every week.**

New Parish Web Site:

www.stagnes-staidan.org.uk

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

PARISH CONTACTS



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Sr. Mary Rose 0151 482 6895

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Sr. Gabriel 0151 489 1302
Sr. Louise 0151 489 1302

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St. Joseph 0151 489 4072
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Parish Priest

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Deacons:

Mike Whelan, Joe Morgan

PARISH CLUB

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'Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan'

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND APRIL 2018

We have now set a date for our parish pilgrimage to the Holy Land. This will take place from the **2nd April, 2018** for eight nights. Places are limited and if you wish to be part of this group you will need to pay a deposit of £250.00 by the end of April 2017. Cheques should be made payable to St Agnes Church or you may use cash if you prefer. Please submit your full name (as it appears on your passport), telephone number and e-mail address (optional) along with your deposit to the parish office.

N.B. This is a non-refundable deposit!

At present, we are still in consultation with the tour operators but the estimated cost of the trip will be £1200. This will include flights, half board and coach tours in the Holy Land. If you wish to pay the balance in instalments this can be arranged.

It is important you reserve your place.



St Agnes' Little Church



Sunday, 21st May
Alison, Jo and Joanne

Sunday, 28th May
Kim and Honor

WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE FASHION SHOW

To be held on **Friday, 23rd June 2017** at The Old Schoolhouse commencing at 7.00pm for 7.30pm.

Tickets £5.00

All the proceeds from ticket sales, refreshments and raffle will go towards WCMAD.

Tickets will be available soon but please keep the date for your diary.

Shop2Drop Ltd offer up to 75% on big names in sizes 8-20.

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.

TABLE TOP SALE

Saturday, 27th May 2017

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 Rd/St. Mary's Rd**



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2017

Friday 23rd June - Fashion Show
at the Old Schoolhouse

Sunday 16th July
Parish BBQ, St Agnes

Friday 13th October
WCMAD Fundraiser,
St Aidan's Club

Mass Intentions

Saturday 20th May -

St. Agnes - 10.00am & 12.30pm - First Holy Communion Mass (St. Anne's)

St. Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Eve Turner, Amanda Steele

Sunday 21st May - Sixth Sunday Of Easter

St. Aidan Mass 9.30am - Josie Mulcahey, Margaret Easson

St. Agnes Mass 11.00am - Dalmiro Gonzalez Rodriguez, Joan & Marie Crowney

Monday 22nd May

St. Agnes 9.30am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Tuesday 23rd May

No Mass

Wednesday 24th May -

St. Agnes Mass 7.30pm - Joan Bettle, Michael Maher

Thursday 25th May - Memorial of St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor

No Mass

Friday 26th May - Memorial of St. Philip Neri, Priest

St Aidan Mass 12 noon - Volunteers & families from St. Aidan & St. Agnes

St. Agnes Requiem Mass 2.30pm - John Glynn

Saturday 27th May - Feast of St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

St. Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Patricia Morrissey, Peter Herrity

Sunday 28th May - Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

St. Aidan Mass 9.30am - Ronnie Bennion

St. Agnes Mass 11.00am - Tony McNamara, Joe Hart

Confessions: Saturday at St. Agnes 5 - 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.

I Will Not Leave You Orphaned

"I will not leave you orphaned." At some point we all want or even need to hear these words. They speak directly to some of our greatest fears and challenges; abandonment and isolation, loneliness, vulnerability. They remind us that we are not destined to walk this earth without an identity or direction. We do not stand alone.

To be sure there are seasons of life, moments, when the transitions, changes, and tragedies can leave us feeling as orphans. Whether spoken or unspoken the questions begin. What will I do now? Where do I go? What happens next? Who will love, nurture, and guide me? Who stands on my side? What will become of me? Those are the orphan's questions. Those are the questions I imagine running through the heads and hearts of the disciples into gospel.

It is the last supper. Disciples have been fed, feet have been washed, the betrayer has left. It is night, dark, and Jesus announces he is leaving. The one for whom they left everything now says he is leaving. "We do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" "Show us the Father." More orphan questions.

I am sure our two sons felt the same way the night my wife and I told them that she and I would be moving to Tennessee for three years of seminary. "What will we do? What will happen to us?" The feeling of being an orphan is real. Certainly the orphan's questions are buried deep within the death and destruction that blew through Joplin, Missouri. "Are we left alone? Nothing but content for the evening news? How do we move forward and rebuild? Who will go with us? What's next?"

Anyone who has ever loved and lost – a spouse, a child, a friend, security, hope – knows the orphan's questions.

We fear becoming orphaned. That fear points to the deeper reality that by ourselves we are not enough. It is not, however, because we are deficient. It is rather because we were never intended or created to be self-sufficient. We were never intended to stand alone as individuals. We were created to love and be loved, to live in relationship as persons giving themselves to each other, to dwell, abide, and remain within each other even as the Father is in Jesus and Jesus is in the Father; the antithesis of being orphaned.

"I will not leave you orphaned." That is the promise. Regardless of the circumstances of our lives, storms, death, separation, we have never been and will never be orphaned by God. How strange that must have sounded to the disciples. In the same conversation Jesus tells them that he is leaving and coming. Leaving and coming sure sound like opposites. If we are not careful we will get stuck trying to reconcile or figure this out. It is not, however, something to figure out. It is rather a means to see and live in a different away.

Leaving and coming. Presence and Absence. These must be held in tension, not as mutually exclusive. That is what Jesus has set before us in today's gospel. That tension confronts us with the question of whether Jesus, for us, is a past memory or a present reality, a sentimental story that makes us feel good or a living experience that challenges, guides, and nurtures our life.

According to Jesus the answer to that question is determined by love that is revealed and fulfilled in keeping his commandments. The commandment to love our neighbour as ourselves, to love our enemies, to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Whose feet do we wash and whose feet to ignore? What are the boundaries of love?

Keeping the commandments is our access to Jesus' promise that we will not be left orphaned. Keeping the commandments does not make Jesus present to us. It makes us present to the already ongoing reality of Jesus' presence. The commandments do not earn us Jesus' love they reveal our love for him, a love that originates in his abiding love and presence within us.

Every time we expand the boundaries of our love we push back the orphanages of this world creating space within us where the Father and Jesus make their home.

"I will not leave you orphaned." Over and over, day after day, regardless of what is happening in our lives that is Jesus' promise. We have not been abandoned. Do not abandon yourselves or others to the orphanages of this world. Love with all that you are and that you have even as the Father and Jesus love us with all that they are and that they have.

Michael K. Marsh

Congratulations

To the children from
St. Agnes parish who will be
receiving the Sacrament of
First Holy Communion
this weekend.



Please remember all these
children in your prayers



TABLE TENNIS



TUESDAYS IN ST. AIDANS
6.30pm - 8.00pm
- Year 6 and above -

ST. AGNES ROTAS

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers
Rotas are now available at the
back of the church