Sunday 2nd July2023

First Reading: Book of Kings 4: 8-11, 14-16

This is a holy man of God, let him rest there

Responsorial Psalm:

I will sing forever of your love, O Lord

Second Reading:

St Paul to the Romans 6: 3-4. 8-11

When we were baptised we went into the tomb with Christ, so that we too might live a new life

Gospel Acclamation:

Open our hearts, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son

Gospel: Matthew 10 :37-42

Anyone who does not take his cross is not worthy of me. Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me.

NEW OFFICE/CHURCH

Parish Office: 82 Huyton Hey Road L36 5SQ Tel: 0151 489 3085 Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 10.00 am - 1.00 pm

Email Address: agnesaidan@rcaol.org.uk

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				
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Sunday 2nd July 2023 Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

(There will only be one mass on 9th July at 10.30 am followed by the parish barbecue)

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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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 1st July

Mass 5.30 pm - Ann Ford, Malcolm Farrell & John Gregory

Sunday 2nd July - Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.30 am - Jean Francis, Derek McEgan

Mass 11.00 am - Cheryl Brodie, Patrick McCloy

(Introducing Confirmation Candidates)

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.

Monday 3rd July - Feast of St Thomas, Apostle

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Wednesday 5th July

Requiem Mass 12 noon - John Davies

Mass 7.30 pm - Brian Rackham Vigil and the reception of the body of Pat McLoughlin

Thursday 6th July

Requiem Mass 11.15 am - Pat McLoughlin

Friday 7th July

Mass 12 noon - John Evans, Mavis Birchall

Saturday 8th July

Mass 5.30 pm - Charles Jeffries, Patsy Smith (Nee Hayward)

Sunday 9th July - Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time - Sea Sunday
Parish Barbecue - All Welcome +

Mass 10.30 am -Andrew Gallagher, Margaret Flynn, Tony PillaiConfessions:Saturday 5pm - 5.20pm(or by appointment during office hours)



The next CARJ Meeting will take place in a couple of weeks time, date to be advised. We will be discussing the arrangements for the International Table to be held on 27th August after the 10.30 am Mass. In the meantime, if you are aware of any asylum seeker or refugee families in your neighbourhood please let the Parish Office know. Many Thanks Ann Malone **Car Boot Sale**

Last Saturday of each month 8am to 12 noon at St Agnes & St Aidan Church, St Mary's Road/Huyton Hey Road.

£5 per table

To book a space ring 0151 489 3085





If you would like the name of your loved one written in **The Gold Book**, situated near the St. Mary's Rd. entrance, please add the their name and the month they died to the list that can be found at the back of the church, or you can call the parish office (0151 489 3085) and ask for their name to be added to the list.

Community Prayer Circle:

Tuesday 11th July 1-3pm A space to come together and pray for the needs of our parish and our local community All welcome. Bring a packed lunch with you. Tea and coffee served. For more information contact the parish office Tel: 0151 489 3085.

Music Group:

Next practice 11th July 7pm in the Sr Elizabeth Community Room. All welcome.



Summer Camp in Romania

A group of parishioners will be travelling to Petrosani, Romania on 5th August for one week. We will be organising our first summer camp (since the Covid pandemic) for the children who attend the Maria Stein Children's Centre. This is a centre for disadvantaged children to make school attendance a regularity.

We will be taking crafts and games to entertain the children each day and we would be grateful for any donations. The group who will be travelling are to be commissioned on 30th July at 11.00 am mass.

Romania & Suriname Projects (WCMAD)



'What goes around comes around'

'In the gospel passage, Jesus summarises not only the cost of discipleship but also its rewards. The conditions of discipleship outlined may appear harsh yet they underline for us a truth: choosing anything with one's whole heart has consequences. Choosing life with Christ means that every relationship we have must be understood from the perspective of love. For many in Matthew's community, this choice brought division in their families.' [1] 'This is a gospel of scattered sayings that are found in Mark, Luke and John. The passage is a collection of good one-liners whose focus is not on those who suffer the most, but on those who love the most. And Jesus tells us that how we give out is how we receive. We might say, 'What goes around comes around.' [2].

The gospel highlights the importance of hospitality in living a Christ-centred life and this is also beautifully illustrated in the first reading. 'Looking for no reward, a Shunammite woman provided a sacred space for a holy man and within the space of her own self, an unexpected child began to grow. It's a strange economy, this kind of hospitality. We can't know what we will set in motion when we offer some space to the ones whom Jesus tells us to welcome. We offer a cup of cold water, or a place to rest, or an extra room, or a corner of our heart, not always knowing that each person comes with a word from God. And all of a sudden, we're carrying something we never expected to carry. Maybe it's not a literal child, as it was for the Shunammite woman. But this kind of hospitality always makes room for new life to take root in us and to come through us in ways that we can't predict. That's part of the strange economy, the curious ecosystem of hospitality: open a space to the holy stranger and God creates a sacred space within our own selves; an extra room in our own souls; a place for God to grow.' [3]

At times we are the stranger receiving the mutual life-giving welcome of hospitality. We give and receive 'with respect and reverence that the unknown between us might flower into discovery and lead us beyond the familiar field blind with the weed of weariness and the old walls of habit.' [4]

Adapted: [1] Fr Ron Bagley [2] Richard Rohr [3] Jan Richardson [4] John O' Donohue

PARISH BBQ

Would like to help out with the Parish BBQ on 9th July? Setting up, helping cook the food, tidying up afterwards etc then please leave your name on the sheet at the back of the church.

All help is welcome!

Prayer Requests

For those who are sick or in special need of our Prayers. Please advise the office if you wish to add someone to our Prayer list. Please also let us know if a name can be removed from the list.

Sue Adams, Nita Ambrose, Ellie Beaton, Triona Bromwell, Violet Chadwick, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Celia Cunningham, Jackie Cureton, Susan Curran, Marie D'acy, Ted Davies, Despina, Annette Devine, Kerry Patricia Doherty, Pauline Ellison, Patricia Fisher, Violet Fitzgerald, Grace, Gary Halliday, Karen Haynes, Victoria Hill, Barbara & Mike Holman, Jeanette Howard, Steve Hughes, Craig Johnstone, Brian Keoghan, Geraldine McLure, Marie McFarlane, Tony McIver, Alan McKeown, Susan McKeown, Thomas Mansfield, Peter Markey, Millie Martin, John Mitchell, Frank Molloy, Rosie Morley, Jane Murney, Catherine Merrutia, Kerry Patricia, Claire Pendleton, Margaret & John Quixley, Maureen Robinson, Baby Rory, Theresa Rossiter, Marie Salkeld, Betty Savage, Donna Sothern, Tommy, Billy Turner, Mike Twigg, Vaclava Vilgosova, Frank Walsh, Pamela Watson, Meryl & Tony Wernham, Amy Wilson, Brian Wilson, John Wilson.

Lately Deceased

Joseph David Holland, Peter Murphy

Anniversaries

Patricia Williams, Nellie Lynch

Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 2nd July : Clean drinking water (an estimated 785 million people around the world don't have access to basic drinking water)

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 refection.

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

Monthly Craft Group

Our next get together will be on Thursday 13th July 11am—1pm in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room.

Baptism

Baptism Preparation meeting: First Monday of each month at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be on Monday 3rd July

If you wish to have your child baptised, you <u>must</u> contact the Parish Office on **0151 489 3085** and you will be booked into a preparation meeting.

Baptisms: 1st Sunday and 2nd Sunday at 1.30pm & 2.30pm (Fr. Anton) 4th Sunday at 1.30pm and 2.30 pm (Deacon)

Asylum Seekers/Refugees

We would like to invite everyone to dedicate each Wednesday to pray for refugees and asylum seekers, especially those loved and cared for by the SHARe Knowsley team.

There are prayer cards and candles available at the back of church; please take one home and join together each Wednesday in prayer.

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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 16th July

Please also follow the Instagram and Facebook page for the Group, or drop me a message for more information.

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'

Hope to see you here!



Holly (she/her) Group Leader

With One Voice is a new choir for LGBTQ Catholics, friends and families from across the Archdiocese of Liverpool. Founder, Carrie Morrow, is a retired Catholic headteacher who also runs a community choir in her home town of Leigh.

Having completed the Diploma in Pastoral Ministry, Carrie is on a synodal journey with the Church to reach the margins by singing out with one voice.

Come along to sing hymns and more at masses, celebrations and other worship events, starting Monday **17th July (and every 3rd Monday)** at 7.15pm - 8.30pm at SS Agnes and Aidan, Huyton.

To find out more, contact Carrie at withonevoice@btinternet.com

KNOWSLEY YOUNG ADVENTURERS

To provide the young people in the community the chance to enjoy themselves with friends and develop important personal and independence skills by participating in team building and leadership challenges during adventurous activities that are given in an inclusive, safe and secure environment We meet every Friday at: St Agnes and St Aidan's Parish Church

82 Huyton Hey Road, Huyton L36 5SQ

THANK YOU

Standing Order Offering Appeal

Thanks to all those who have begun Standing Order offerings through their banks. We really appreciate your support for the up-keep of the parish.

I would like to encourage those who are yet to take their forms to their relevant banks to kindly do so as soon as possible

Fr Anton



PARISH PENSIONERS' CLUB

Next meeting on 12th July 1pm until 3 pm In the parish meeting room (Sr Elizabeth Kelly room)

New Members will be made more than welcome **Thanks.** *Sharon, Mary and Pat*

Lourdes At Home		
Venue:	Sr Elizabeth Kelly Room	
Time:	10am - 4pm	
Date:	Saturday 15th July 2023	

An opportunity to create a quiet space in our busy lives to focus on the role of Mother Mary. We shall walk with her, pray with her and take time to express in our own way what Mother Mary means to us in the context of Our Lady Of Lourdes.

Tea & Coffee will be served. Please bring a packed lunch. All are welcome.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

9th July -	Fc	arish Barbecue Ilowing 10.30 am Mass east of St Agnes & St Aidan
12th July -		00 pm Confirmation by shop Tom Naylor
15th July -		urdes At Home enaeus Centre
21st July -	Pa	arish Pilgrimage to Lourdes
27th August	-	International Table Following 10.30 am Mass
15th Septemb	er	 WCMAD Fundraiser at St Aidan's Parish Club
22nd October	-	World Mission Sunday
24th Novembe	er	- Winter Night at St Aidan's Parish Club
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