

Sunday 19th April 2026



First Reading Acts 2:14.22-33

It was not possible for him to be held by death.

Responsorial Psalm

O Lord, you will show me the path of life

Second Reading Peter 1:17-21

You were ransomed with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish.

Gospel Acclamation

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn within us when you speak to us.

Gospel Reading Luke 24:13-35

He was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Order of Mass can be found on page 4 of the Hymn Book.

OFFICE/CHURCH

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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

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**The Parish of
St. Agnes and St. Aidan**

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The pilgrimage/ holiday, to Newcastle / Lindisfarne now has two hotel rooms available. We will be organising a meeting nearer the time to discuss further details.



NEWSLETTER



Sunday 19th April 2026

THIRD 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.

Parish of Sts. Agnes & Aidan Live stream Masses

Holy Mass is live streamed every Sunday at 10.30 am 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 18th April

Mass 5.30pm - Mike Lyons, Josie Newport

Sunday 19th April - Third Sunday of Easter

Mass 10.30 am - Clare Richards, Gerry Jones

Monday 20th April - St Anselm, Bishop, Doctor

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Funeral Service 12.15pm - Margaret Dwyer

Wednesday 22nd April

Mass 7.00 pm - Mrs Caswell & Lorraine, Ann Shields

Friday 24th April

Mass 12 noon - Vassallo Family, Sr Amelita Ventic

Saturday 25th April - St Mark, Evangelist

Mass 5.30pm - Eric Morton, Tommy Smith

Sunday 26th April - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Mass 10.30 am - Delia Murray, John Newton

Confessions: Saturday 5.00 pm - 5.20 pm (or by appointment.)



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



First Communion Preparation

The application deadline for First Communion this year has now passed. Please make sure, if you haven't yet collected your child's pack, you do so as soon as possible and start attending Mass as often as possible.

We look forward to getting to know you over the coming months in Mass, Little Church and in the tea club.

St. Aidan's **Saturday 13th June 2026 10:00 am**

St. Joseph's **Saturday 13th June 2026 12:30 pm**

St. Anne's **Saturday 20th June 2026 10 am and 12:30 pm.**

(Times will be allocated by a draw once we have confirmed numbers)

All other schools **Saturday 20th June 2026 3:00 pm**

Saturday 9th May at 11 am - Celebration of Fr Richard Sloan's Golden Jubilee of Priestly Ordination

Mass will be followed by an enhanced Tea Club gathering.

Additional information will be issued shortly.



Saturday 11th July at 11 am

Mass will be followed by our Parish Special BBQ and Social Gathering.

Further details will be provided in due course.

Parishioners are kindly asked to record these dates in their diaries.

GARDENER'S CLUB

The Parish Gardeners Club is looking for more volunteers to help maintain the Parish Garden. They meet every Monday morning to tidy up the garden, followed by a social gathering with a bite to eat. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in gardening and socializing. Whether you are a parishioner or not, all are welcome to join the group. Please feel free to reach out to your extended family and friends who may be interested in getting involved.

For more details contact Bryan Blois 077725097814

SRI LANKA

A trip to Sri Lanka is being planned for around 8 November 2026.

If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office for more details.
(0151-489 3085)



This journey will be different from our previous trip to Sri Lanka, with a more flexible approach that allows travellers to adjust their plans and visit other places of personal interest if they wish.

Further information will be shared as arrangements develop.

Jerusalem, Emmaus, Jerusalem

Today's gospel is a story of shattering and restoration. If your life has ever been shattered, then this is your story. If your life has ever been restored, then this is your story. And if you've ever been in that in between place, between shattering and restoration, then this is your story. The story describes the journey from Jerusalem to Emmaus and back to Jerusalem. It's a journey Cleopas and his companion take and it's a journey each of us has taken, is taking, or will take. It's not, however, a one-time journey as we will discover if we think of Jerusalem, Emmaus and the breaking of bread as metaphors.

Jerusalem

The two disciples are leaving Jerusalem. Who can blame them? For them, Jerusalem is a place of pain, sorrow and loss. It is a place of death, unmet expectations and disappointment. It's a place where their lives were shattered. They don't want to be there. We don't want to stay in painful situations.

Emmaus

Emmaus is our escape from life. Or so we think. What we don't know at the time, and what Cleopas and his companion did not know, is that it is also the way back to life. That realisation happened for the two disciples in the breaking of bread.

The breaking of bread

It really wasn't an escape from life that took the disciples to Emmaus, but a hunger for life. It wasn't brokenness that took them to Emmaus but a hunger for wholeness. It wasn't a shattering that took them to Emmaus, but a hunger for restoration. Hunger is more than physical; it also spiritual and emotional. We are by nature hungry. We hunger for life, love, wholeness, community, meaning and purpose. That hunger is surely the reason why they strongly urged Jesus, "Stay with us." Jesus didn't just give them bread; he gave themselves back to them. This was their restoration. When Jesus broke the bread something in them broke open. With that breaking open their lives were being put back together. So it is for us as well. We've all had times when our lives were broken open in ways we could never imagine. Despite how it feels, our brokenness is not an ending. There is more to it than we often see or know. It is not just brokenness, a shattering; it is a breaking open to new life, to new seeing, to new recognition.

Jerusalem

The disciples returned to the place from which they had to get away. We leave our 'Jerusalem' but then we return to face our deaths, losses and shattered lives. The city hasn't changed but we have. We discover that new life awaits us. We return to reclaim ourselves, to recover the lost pieces of ourselves. It means trusting that somehow the shards of our lives will become the pieces for a new life, a new seeing and a new way of living.

Adapted: Michael Marsh

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, Doris Benette, Catherine Bennion, Shona Blackey, Marie Bowden, John Bradshaw, Trina Bromwell, , Margaret & Gordon Caruthers, Violet Chadwick, Malinda North Asela Chandrarathne, Grace Cheeseman-Woolerton, John Clintworth, Victoria Coffey, Sr Mary Connell, James Corbett, Janet, Ray and Nicholas Cragg, Marie D'arcy, Collette Davies, Janet Davies, Despina, Patricia Fisher, Brian Funnell, Dr Jeremy Gardener, Alison Hardman, Joseph Hill, Claire Hindley, Sue Hodgson, Barbara Holman, Marie Hunter, Claire Illingworth, Barry James, Joelle, Kim Jackson, Peggy Kane, Dennis Ling, Ray Lloyd, Mary Lynch, Sheila McGrattan, Maureen, Dee McCloy, Michael & Lawrence McClintock, Alan McKeown, Christine Malone, Joe March, Patricia Markey, Cathy McMurry, Tim Merritt, Peter Muldoon, Ann-Marie Naylor, Kathleen O'Gorman, Louise Owens, Ged Privilege, Julie Quarless, Norman Reid, Mia Robinson, Nilma Cristina Rodrigo, Walter Runge, Marie Sanbter, Sara, Betty Savage, Joan Smith, Donna Sothem, Alan Spain, Sr Josephine Vassallo, Molly Wallis, Frank Walsh, Joan Walsh, Dylan Watson, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Vera Whitfield, Emma Williamson, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe,

Recently Deceased

Aileen Fahy, Diana Bruder, George McLarney

Anniversary:

Steven McEwan, Ann Shields, Catherine Stuela, Frances Sutton, Bridget Scott

Sanctuary Lamp Week 19th April - WCMAD (We can make a difference)

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 & Christmas masses will be for all the parishioners and not for individual intentions. Thank you.

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.



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.

Baptism

Baptism Preparation meeting:
First Monday of each month at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be on MONDAY 4th May

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. These meetings are for parents whose children are under 8 years of age

BAPTISMS ARE HELD ON:

1st Saturday at 12.00pm and 1.00 pm
1st Sunday at 1.30pm & 2.30pm (Fr. Anton)
4th Sunday at 1.30pm & 2.30 pm (Deacon Mike)

BAPTISM CERTIFICATES

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.

PARISH PENSIONERS' CLUB

Next meeting will be on 22nd April 2026

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

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)

LGBTQ+ SOCIAL GROUP

Will meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 6 pm in Sr. Elizabeth Kelly room in the church of SS. Agnes and Aidan, Huyton, L36 5SQ
The next meeting, which will be open, is on Sunday 19th 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'

Sr Elizabeth Kelly Community Room

- Community Prayer Circle (1-3pm)
- **Next meeting 28th April**
- Music Group (7.30 pm)
- **Next meeting 5th May**

No experience needed. Join us to make new friends and contribute to our worship.

All are welcome

Car Boot Sale

Last Saturday of each month
8am to 12 noon.

Next Car boot sale on 25th April 2026



Confirmation 2026

All those from St Agnes & St Aidan and St Aloysius who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation are asked to note that the celebration will take place on **3 July 2026** at Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Prescott.

Please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

TIME TO REMEMBER

There will be a service on Wednesday 6th May at 7.00 pm

This is an opportunity to remember loved ones no matter what the circumstances or whether it is recent or many years ago. There is no set time to grieve
You are welcome to bring along a picture of your loved ones to be placed on the altar during the service. All are welcome

Join our wonderful group of Volunteers

- **Make a real difference** — use your gifts to serve others and strengthen our church community
- **Grow personally and spiritually** — build skills, confidence, and deepen your faith
- **Connect and belong** — meet new people, form friendships, and be part of something meaningful

There are lots of ways to be involved in Parish Life. If you're able to spare an hour or would like to do more, please contact the office to find out more. 0151 489 3085

Holy Communion for the Housebound

If you, or someone you know, are genuinely housebound and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact the parish office. Kindly provide your full address and clear contact details so that we can make the necessary arrangements.

GUITAR LESSONS

There is still some time to sign up for basic guitar lessons every other Tuesday in the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Room

First session is on Tuesday 21st April at 6.30 pm

Mass Intentions

When completing a Mass Intention envelope, please include your name and contact number. Occasionally, due to unforeseen circumstances, we may need to cancel a weekday Mass at short notice. Having your contact details allows us to inform you as soon as possible. If you are requesting a Mass for a specific date, please provide at least a few weeks' notice.

We would also like to thank all those who make a donation for the Mass Intention. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.