

Sunday 16th October 2022



First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage

Responsorial Psalm:

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth

Second Reading:

St. Paul to Timothy 3:14-4.2

The man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Gospel Acclamation:

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us

Gospel: Luke 18: 1-8

God will see justice done to his chosen who cry to him

NEW OFFICE/CHURCH

Parish Office:

82 Huyton Hey Road L36 5SQ

Tel: 0151 489 3085

Office Hours:

Monday—10.00 a.m.—3.00 p.m.

Tuesday-Friday 10.00am - 1.00pm

Email Address:

agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.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

PARISH CONTACTS

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Helpers of the Holy Souls

Sr. Elizabeth 0151 480 7904

Sr. Mary Rose 0151 482 6895

Daughters of St. Paul 0151 487 8550

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Mike Whelan, Joe Morgan

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St. Aidan 0151 477 8370

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0151 489 3085

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Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 15th October - Memorial of St Teresa of Avila, Doctor & Virgin

Mass 5.30 pm - Duncan McFarlane, Molly Kennedy

Sunday 16th October - Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.30 am - Joyce Dean, Joan Arnold

Mass 11.00 am - Terry Martin, Margaret Brough

Mass Live Streamed on YouTube from St. Agnes & St Aidan Church at 11am

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6YzfVr_fKiF9Xut6EjgtQ .

Please note live streamed Masses are with a congregation so if you attend these Masses anonymity cannot be guaranteed.

Monday 17th October—Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Wednesday 19th October

7.30pm - Celebration of the Word and Communion—Terminally ill parishioners and their families

Friday 21st October

Mass 12 noon - Sacristans and their families

Saturday 22nd October

Mass 5.30 pm - Bill Muldoon, Tea ladies of St Agnes & St Aidan

Sunday 23rd October - Thirtieth Sunday - (WORLD MISSION SUNDAY)

Mass 9.30 am - Parishes of St. Agnes & St. Aidan's LGBTQ+ Social Group

Mass 11.00 am - Kathleen Brannon, Bill York

4 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

Confessions: Saturday 5pm - 5.20pm
(or by appointment in the presbytery during office hours)



First Communion 2022/2023

Application forms are now available for the First Communion programme for children currently in Year 4. They have been distributed via schools and are available at the back of the church if you attend another school. Please return these to the parish office (82 Huyton Hey Road) by Monday 7 November 2022.

Dates for your Diary.

1st Parent Meeting - Tuesday 18 October 2022 7pm in Sts Agnes & Aidan Church

Application Deadline - Monday 7th November 2022

2nd Parent Meeting - Tuesday 17th January 2023 7pm in Sts Agnes & Aidan Church

Donations of good quality clothes can be left at the back of church after Mass or handed in to the office. They are also collecting **any type of currency (coins or notes) including old English and Euros. The money is then sorted, bagged and sent to a coin exchange. www.weareugent.org**



Rota WhatsApp Group

At the General Meeting some people expressed an interest in the Rota's being available via WhatsApp. If you would like to receive the Rotas this way, please send Christine Ball an email: christinewball@gmail.com with your name and number.

This will be an Admin Only group so that the Rotas are always easily accessible. Rotas continue to be available in the porches, at in paper form at the back of church to take home.

Community Prayer Circle:

Tuesday 25th October 1-3pm A space to come together and pray for the needs of our parish and our local community whilst sharing friendship and lunch. All welcome. Bring a packed lunch with you. Tea and coffee served. For more information contact the parish office Tel: 0151 489 9388. Or call Von Tron (079661023040) if you wish to join the **WHATSAPP** Prayer Group.

Retreat day at the Cenacle 22nd October 10 - 4pm



Music Group:

Next practice **Tuesday, 25th October 7pm** in the Sr Elizabeth Community Room.. Music is good for the heart and the soul. A great opportunity to make new friends and serve the parish. All welcome.

Love is the Answer

There are several versions of the story of a man who prayed to God to be rescued from the rising levels of a flood. A rescue team in a rubber raft called to him, and he refused their offer of help, saying God would save him. When the power of the water was later crashing through the windows of his home, he sat on his roof. A helicopter came and he still refused help, saying yet again that God would save him. The flood did what floods do and he drowned. When he met God, he started complaining and accused God of not helping him. "I was so faithful and I waited for you. Why did you abandon me?" Perplexed, God replied, *"I sent a raft and a helicopter. Did you not see them?"* [Source: [Mark Nepo](#), [The Book of Awakening](#)]

The above story illustrates one example of our understanding of prayer: we make our repeated requests for help but we have our own preconceived ideas about what that help should look like. Today's gospel could lead to another misconception of prayer: that our persistent requests could change God. Prayer is meant to be 'an interior practice *to change the one who is praying*.' [1] St Augustine tells us that when we pray 'we are always holding our hearts open for whatever God always wants to give us.' When we pray consistently and with persistence 'our hearts are being enlarged to divine proportions. In those fleeting moments it is not that we intuit something *more* is being given to us, but we fleetingly glimpse the abyss-like nature of the love that every moment really is.' [2]

All three readings today emphasise persistence. 'It is strange that we have come to understand the importance of practice in sports, in any successful business and in any creative endeavour, but for some reason most of us do not see the need for it when we want to develop a personal relationship with God.' [1] How we 'practise' prayer is a very personal choice and throughout the course of our lives we may make several changes to the way in which we pray. 'Our task is to find the way which moves us to love and to give ourselves to it in love.' [2]

When we pray we are not negotiating a transaction. We surrender to transformation in ourselves and in whoever and whatever we bring to God in prayer. 'We do not wait for God. We wait *with* God.' [3] 'It is not that God answers our prayer, but that God *is* the answer [1] And since God is love, then love is the answer. Being rooted and grounded in love, we will then pray always and not lose heart.

Adapted: [1] Richard Rohr [2] James Finley [3] Michael Marsh

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. Names will remain on the prayer list for one month unless advised.

Chris Booth, Triona Bromwell, Violet Chadwick, Terry Coogan, Janet Cragg, Ray Cragg, Nicholas Cragg, Celia Cunningham, Jackie Cureton, Susan Curran, Annette Devine, Pauline Ellison, Violet Fitzgerald, Gary Halliday, Joanne Harvey, Karen Haynes, Victoria Hill, Barbara & Mike Holman, Jeanette Howard, Steve Hughes, Craig Johnstone, Brian Keoghan, Kathleen Latham, Tony McIver, Alan McKeown, Malcolm McMillen, Peter Markey, John Mitchell, Rosie Morley, Jane Murney, Alice O'Brien, Betty O'Shaunessy, Claire Pendleton, Hugh Reilly, Theresa Rossiter, Marie Salkeld, Bob Singleton, Richard Thornborough, Billy Turner, Mike & Rose Twigg, Vaclava Vilgosova, Pamela Watson, Meryl & Tony Wernham, Amy Wilson, John Wilson.

Lately Deceased

Nicolette Anne Davies (Niki)

Anniversaries

Annette Furley, Terence Martin, Bill Nolan, Peter Reilly

BENEDICTION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction will take place on the 4th Sunday of each month at 4pm.

Sanctuary Lamp week beginning 16th October 2022

Those who struggle with addictions and their families

Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass Intention, an Anniversary or anyone adding to the Prayer List.



Parish of Sts. Agnes & Aidan Live stream Masses



Holy Mass will be live streamed every Sunday at 11am

You can find us on YouTube, the link is

https://www.youtube.com/ChannelUC6YzfvR_fFKiF9Xut6EjqtQ

You can watch and pray, the Mass any time after 12.30pm on Sundays,
If later in the day suits you.

Please note livestreamed Masses are with a congregation so if you attend these Masses anonymity cannot be guaranteed.

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 will be 16th October 2022

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 St. Agnes and St. Aidan's LGBTQ+ Social Group'

Hope to see you here!

Holly (she/her)
Group Leader



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.

An opportunity for quiet prayer should you wish. **ALL WELCOME**

Parish Whatsapp Group



It's wonderful to see so many parishioners connecting via the parish Whatsapp group. All those who worship here and their families are invited to be part of this link.

If you are interested please contact Brian Roberts on 07779328414. This is a great tool to keep everyone informed of important events/services etc.

Our hope is that this will bring more positive energy to our vibrant parish community.

Dates for your Diary

25th November — Winter Night in St Aidan's Parish Club



Weekday Opening Times

Now that we have moved the parish office from Adswold Road to Huyton Hey Road, it means we are able to open the church during office hours (Mon - Fri 10 am - 1 pm). We would like to invite you to pop in during the week, light a candle, say a prayer or just take the opportunity to sit quietly. There is always instrumental music playing. (Please be aware that on occasion there will be members of the parish working in the church.)

CHESS CLUB/BOARD GAMES

If you are interested in joining the Parish Chess/Board Games Club

please contact Max

07878 922 057



WARM AND COSY CENTRE

Our Parish Centre of St Aidan will be open to all every Monday between 1pm and 3.30pm as a safe and warm place.

There will be free tea, coffee and biscuits, access to TV and WiFi and friendly company

PARISH PENSIONERS' CLUB

Next Meeting is on **Wednesday 26th October 1pm to 3pm**. All are welcome for a cuppa and a chat. We are also hoping to organise trips out, raffles, etc. If you are interested please write your name on the list at the back of the church, call the parish office or just come along.

Thanks. **Mary McCloy & Pat Murray**



Lourdes Pilgrimage 21st July 2023



Flying directly from Liverpool to Lourdes staying at Hotel La Solitude

To reserve your place please contact Parish Office on 0151 489 3085

Price includes: Return flights, transfers and 7 nights full board

Missing Parishioners

As parishioners we need to be aware that if we don't see anyone for a few weeks we should find out what has happened. Sometimes it is due to the fact that a bus route has changed it's time and no longer ties in with the mass times.

Please contact the office as soon as possible if you become aware of anyone who has not been seen for a while and we will make arrangements for someone to keep in touch with them if they so wish.