



Sacramental Preparation

Thanks to the parents who attended the third preparation meeting at St Agnes this week. Just a reminder about the next St Aidan's meeting.

St Aidan's Wed: 10th Dec 6pm

Confirmation Dates

The Archbishop will confirm Year 4 children on Wednesday 4 March 2015 at 7.00pm and older children/teenagers will be confirmed on Tuesday 9 June 2015 at 7.00pm. Both services will take place at St Agnes due to the numbers involved.

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Psalm: Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.
Gospel: Mark 1: 1-8

Dates for your diary

17th Dec Reconciliation Service
7.30 pm at St Aidan's
18th Dec St Anne's School Advent Mass
at St Agnes Church 1.30pm

Holy Communion Dates

St Agnes Church

Sat 2nd May 2015 at 10.00 am
Sat 2nd May 2015 at 12 noon
Sat 6th June 2015 at 10.00am

STAGGS

The STAGGS have made good progress this month with nearly all of the invasive Ivy being cleared from the borders. During this clearance we unearthed a large wrought iron cross. It stands about five feet tall and is badly corroded. We think it may have been from the old church. Any ideas anybody?

Tree surgeons will be looking at the trees soon with a view to cutting down some that are likely to cause problems in the future.

We will continue with the thinning out of the borders and removing the rest of the ivy and then planting some perennials and shrubs. The aim is to make the garden more colourful and easily maintainable.

All help and any ideas will be gratefully received.

STAGGS meet most Mondays between 1000 and 1600 at the church garden.

Contact Monica for further details.

The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan

NEWSLETTER



**Sunday 7th December 2014
Second Sunday of Advent**

Year B

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, Rose Rimmer, Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess,
 James Soundie, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Tony Clintworth, Lynn McNabb,
 Aidan Morris, Maria Edge, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk,
 Vera Murphy, Mary Organ, Sandra Rowley, Phil Ridler, Josie Campbell, Winnie Witter,
 Eddie Doran, Angela Fleetwood, George Gibbons, Rose Rawlinson, Marie Higgins,
 Averyll Fairfield Logan, Carol Atkinson, Brendan Reilly, Christine Lees, Jennifer Hewitt,
 Joseph Hill, Mary Lyons, Susan McDougale, Pat Madden, Eileen Mooney, Kay McNeill,
 Philip Gallagher, Carl Atkinson, Ursula Erfani Clare Pendleton, James Taylor, Rose Sankey,
 Marion, Dolly Morten, Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Jennifer McLaughlin, Arthur Jones,
 Wyn Graham, Caelan McKeown, Michael McDonough, Margaret Flynn, Colette Wilson,
 Aaron Carmichael, Triona Bromwell, Geraldine Kelly, Patrick McKeown, Josie Riley,
 Janet & Ray Cragg, Maisie Pritchard, Linda O'Keefe, Margaret Sergison, Margaret Murray,
 Geraldine, Roisin & Pdraig McRory, Anthony Winrow, Philip Malone, Martin Thomas,
 Sr. Ann Collette Garlick, Maureen Quinn, Kathleen Hughes, Nancy Evans, Jimmy Jones.
 Anthony Wilson, Linda Mulcahy Amy Adair, Jerome Mitchell, Vera Jones, George Williams,
 Lawrence McClintock, Moya Fleetwood, Nick Gregory, Helen Stone, Nathan Davies,
 Fidelis Akpogheneta, Pauline Irvine, Mary Davis, John Kennedy, Jim Phillips

Please note -The Prayer list is being updated

Please contact the Parish Office to add or remove any names from the list as soon as possible

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

Bernard Kirk, Margaret (Peggy) Shannon, Charlie Sweeney, Julia Corrigan,

Anniversaries

Doris Moore, Jim McDermott, John Fadden, Alma McCauley, Mary Vaughan,
 Maureen Renwick, John Riley, Margaret Williams,

Sanctuary Lamps This week 7th December

St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp - Fidelis Akpogheneta

St Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp - Margaret Crawley

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.

Missionaries Of Charity

The sisters at Seel Street will be providing gifts for homeless men and the poor in Liverpool at Christmas. They would appreciate donations of gifts for men eg socks, gloves, hats and scarves. Please leave at the back of Church, or hand them into the office.

They thank you all for your ongoing generosity.

Holy Name Parish, Moss Pits Lane, Fazakerley, Liverpool, L10 9LG

LIVERPOOL

An opportunity has arisen for a highly skilled and experienced administrator to work in the parish office at Holy Name Presbytery, Liverpool. Parish Administrator /Salary £8.00 per hour /Part-Time, 20 hours per week

To be worked over 3 or 4 days each week (days and work pattern negotiable) 25 days holiday pro rata, pension and salary exchange schemes. The successful candidate will be required to provide high quality administrative support in all aspects of administration on behalf of the Parish and will work closely with the parish priest, Fr Kevin McLoughlin. Candidates must have empathy with the ethos and mission of the Roman Catholic Church and a commitment to the work of the parish, pastoral area, schools, the local community and other parish groups.

The successful candidate must have;

- Experience of working in a similar administrative role/undertaking a broad range of administrative tasks to include managing petty cash and recording income and expenditure
- Experience of working in a busy office environment
- Excellent telephone, face to face and written communication skills
- An ability to develop effective working relationships with clergy, volunteers, schools and general public
- Computer literate with Microsoft Office (Word, Excel) and use of email
- An appreciation for the need of sensitivity and confidentiality

Possession of the following would be advantageous:

- European Computer Driving Licence (ECDL), or equivalent
- An ability to implement new administrative processes

Full details on how to apply for this post can be found on the

Archdiocese of Liverpool website; www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs

A full application pack including job description is available to download.

Alternatively, you can request an application pack from contact Gillian Sener on

0151 522 1101. Closing Date: 12 noon on Wednesday 10 December 2014

Applicants selected to attend for interview will be notified on Thursday 11 December 2014.

Interview Date: Wednesday 17 December 2014

Time of Preparation

In life there are death and taxes, in Advent there are the prophet Isaiah and John the Baptist. Advent, because it is a time of preparation, is a time of repentance and purple vestments but by and large it is a hopeful time. It is a time of looking forward and sometimes the looking forward and the anticipation can be far more exciting than the event itself, some people will tell you that they prefer Christmas Eve to Christmas Day. In the Gospel the words of the prophet Isaiah are being used for John the Baptist. He is the one who is preparing the way for the Lord.

If Advent is a hopeful time then what we are hearing from Isaiah in the First Reading mirrors that. The valleys will be filled in. From a purely practical point of view that is good, no more climbing hills, less use of brakes. Hopefully the valleys that enclose us, the steep climbs that overcome us will be no more. We cannot always rely on somebody getting rid of those valleys for us. We are not always put into them. Sometimes by our own actions and our own stupidity we land ourselves with huge mountains to climb. So, if we live holy and saintly lives, will that fill in the valleys for us?

However, if we look around we see that people who live holy and saintly lives sometimes have steep climbs to negotiate too. Saint Peter in the Second Reading is reminding us that we are waiting for the Day of God and if we live holy and saintly lives we will not have a big climb to do on that day. For those of us who are not living holy and saintly lives we can avoid a big climb because we can listen to John the Baptist and confess our sins.

Advent may be a time for listening to John the Baptist but if we heed his advice it can become something hopeful for us, hopeful that the valleys of sin and doubt can be leveled off and that on the Day of God we will not have a huge mountain to climb.

An extract from Intercom Magazine



RCIA

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic (or was baptised Catholic but hasn't made their communion or been confirmed and would like to complete the sacraments of initiation), please contact the office or Claire Ball 07899937948.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 6th December

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - George Williams

Sunday 7th December Second Sunday of Advent

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - Jim McDermott, John Fadden

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Georgina Dunn, Lucy Starbuck

Monday 8th December

St Agnes 9.30am - Celebration of the Word & Communion

Tuesday 9th December

St Aidan - 11am Holy Hour

St Agnes Funeral Service 10.30am — Julia Corrigan

St Agnes Requiem Mass 1pm — Margaret (Peggy) Shannon

Wednesday 10th December

St Agnes Mass 7.30 pm - Julie Morgan

Thursday 11th December

No Mass

Friday 12th December

St Aidan Mass 12noon — Vincent Belton, Josephine Fitzgerald

Saturday 13th December

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Robert Latham, Patricia Coddington

Sunday 14th December Third Sunday of Advent

St Aidan Mass 9.30 am - John McCarten, Dave Neely

St Agnes Mass 11.00 am - Norma Murphy, James & Sarah Watts

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.

Parish Collections

Sunday 30th November

St Agnes - £773.41

St Aidan - £396.96

October Standing Orders

St. Agnes - £921.00

St. Aidan - £184.00

St. Agnes' team to count: Team 2

Thank you for your generous support

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



*Who will be baptised on Sunday
7 December at St Agnes Church.*

***Penny Ohnona
Abigail Lily Huyton
Gabriella Anne Osborne***

*Please remember these children in your
prayers.*

St Aidan/Agnes SVP members would like to wish all our Parishioners a very Happy and Peaceful Christmas.

We would like to thank you for your continued support; the money you contribute helps us to give our pensioners and housebound people days out and to fund the annual Christmas Party.

The aim of the SVP is to help those in need, for example, we visit those who are unwell either at home or in hospital, the housebound and people who are lonely. We visit our local nursing and residential homes, our food banks as well as our local cancer care centre, Lyndale, on Huyton Lane. We also assist in cases of genuine hardship with small donations of money, food parcels, etc.

If you know anyone who is in need of assistance please call the parish office who will contact an SVP member.

The SVP are always looking for new members. Please see Bob Singleton at St Agnes, John Cliffe, Ian Murray, Julie Morgan, Pat McGiveron or Anne Whelan at St Aidan.

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.

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 - 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
0151 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

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