

Sunday 12th October 2025



First Reading Kings 5: 14-17

Naaman returned to the man of God and confessed his faith in the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations

Second Reading Timothy 2:8-13

If we endure, we will also reign with Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Gospel Reading Luke 17:11-19

No one was found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner.

The Order of Mass on page 4 of the Hymn Book.

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www.stagnes-staidan.org.uk
Newsletter items by Thursday morning to
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The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan



WCMAD Fundraiser
(We Can Make A Difference)
17th October at 7.00 pm at
St. Aidan Parish Club

NEWSLETTER



**Sunday 12th October 2025
Twenty Eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year C**

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 11th October - St John XXIII Pope

Mass 5.30 pm - James Gregory, Paddy Murphy

Sunday 12th October - Twenty Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass 9.00 am - Rosaleen Price, Social and Racial Justice

Mass 10.30 am - Edward Coffey, Bryan Tyrer

Monday 13th October - Edward the Confessor

(Week of prayer for prisoners and their families)

9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Wednesday 15th October - St Teresa of Jesus (of Avila)

Mass 7.30 pm - Mary Hughes, Our Lady & St Jude

Friday 17th October - Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch

Mass 12 noon - Special Intention, For those who visit the housebound and their families

Saturday 18th October - Feast of St Luke

Mass 5.30 pm - Kay Gillan, Michael John Twigg

Sunday 19th October - Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time **World Mission Sunday**

Mass 10.30 am - Jean Blakemore, Victims of racial, ethnic, social and religious discrimination

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



First Communion Preparation

As we prepare for the children's First Holy Communion, we kindly remind parents to encourage them to **attend the 10:30am Sunday Mass regularly**. Being present at Mass helps the children to become familiar with the prayers and responses, take part in the Little Church, and grow in their sense of belonging to our parish community.

Parish Volunteers

We continue to look for volunteers to support the many activities in our parish. We are especially seeking new people who can take on roles that have been faithfully carried out by long-standing volunteers over the years.

If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office. As we know, many hands make light work, and together we can ensure the smooth running of parish life.

We take this opportunity to sincerely thank all our volunteers - past and present - for their generous service and ongoing support. Please encourage your family and friends to get involved too!

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.

Supporting Share Knowsley

On behalf of Share Knowsley, we would like to thank all those who continue to support our brothers and sisters in need by donating a variety of items, including toiletries, which can be left at the back of the church. Please think twice before discarding something - an item no longer needed by you may be of great use to someone else. If you are unsure about what can be donated, please contact the Parish Office or reach out via the Parish WhatsApp group.

We also extend our gratitude to everyone who has been so generous, and to all parish volunteers involved in supporting asylum seekers—whether through drop-ins in Prescott and Kirkby or by helping at the Old Schoolhouse with English lessons and guidance on life in the UK.

Thank you for your ongoing kindness and commitment.

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



Gratitude

'A person is bored to death with a story they have heard repeated over and over but have never really listened to it.' [1] 'When reading Luke 17, I immediately felt that I knew it, so I skimmed through the passage and remembered my Sunday school teacher's lesson on the story: "How often do you remember to say thanks?" Then I read again the last sentence in the gospel story: Jesus said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well." Wait. I traced back. Hadn't Jesus completely healed him - exactly like the other nine who were cured but hadn't bothered to return to thank Him? So what does Jesus mean, "Your faith has made you well"? Some translations read, "Your faith has saved you." Saved you? I dig deeper. It's *sozo* in Greek, the original language of the New Testament. *Sozo* means salvation, true wellness, complete wholeness. Jesus came that we might live life to the full. And when did the leper receive the saving to the full, whole life? - When he returned and gave thanks. Our wellness, our wholeness is intimately related to the giving of thanks.' [2]

'Practising gratitude can be a game-changer: it has far reaching effects, from improving our mental health to boosting our relationships with others. Living your life with gratitude helps you notice the little wins - like the bus showing up right on time, a stranger holding the door for you, or the sun shining through your window when you wake up in the morning. Each of these small moments string together to create a web of well-being that, over time, strengthens your ability to notice the good.' [3]

"Your faith has made you well." Last week we reflected on faith as being the experience of the presence of God within us. All ten lepers were physically healed. We can only guess at the reason for the Samaritan's response but we can sense that for him, and hopefully for us, 'being grateful can be described as feeling the presence of the Divine in our lives.' [4]

And when it is difficult to be grateful? We don't have to give thanks for the things afflicting us, but we can be grateful for 'God's faithful presence which spares us from nothing, even as God unexplainably sustains us in all things.' [5] 'Darkness deserves gratitude. All growth does not take place in the sunlight.' [6]

'To be grateful is to recognise the loving presence of God in everything.' [7]

Adapted: [1] G.K.Chesterton [2] Ann Voskamp [3] www.mindful.org
[4] Luis.E. Romero [5] James Finley [6] Joan D. Chittister
[7] Thomas Merton

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.

Ivan, Asanta Alwis, Tricia Andrews, Lynn Ashton, Doris Benette, Catherine Bennion, Shona Blackley, Trina Bromwell, Margaret & Gordon Caruthers, Violet Chadwick, Grace Cheeseman-Woolerton, Ann Clague, John Clintworth, Victoria Coffey, James Corbett, Janet, Ray and Nicholas Cragg, Marie D'arcy, Janet Davies, Despina, Patricia Fisher, Alison Hardman, Joseph Hill, Claire Hindley, Sue Hodgson, Barbara Holman, Marie Hunter, Claire Illingworth, Barry James, Joelle, Peggy Kane, Dennis Ling, Ray Lloyd, Sheila McGrattan, Maureen, Dee McCloy, Michael & Lawrence McClintock, Christine Malone, Joe March, Patricia Markey, Tim Merritt, Peter Muldoon, Ann-Marie Naylor, Kathleen O'Gorman, Ged Privilege, Julie Quarless, Mia Robinson, Nilma Cristina Rodrigo, Walter Runge, Marie Sanbter, Sara, Betty Savage, Donna Sothern, Alan Spain, Billy Turner, Sr Josephine Vassallo, Molly Wallis, Frank Walsh, Joan Walsh, Dylan Watson, Pamela Watson, Ian Webster, Vera Whitfield, Kerry Wilson, Sr Clare Wilson, Jimmy Wolfe

Lately Dead

Louise Anderson, Margaret Richards

Anniversary

John Ging, Edith McDermott, Bill Nolan, John Malone

Sanctuary Lamp week 12th October - Prisoners & their families

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.

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 3rd November

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 October 2025

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 October.

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 14th October**
- Music Group (7.30 pm)
- **Next meeting 3rd November**

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 26th October



Missing Parishioners

As parishioners we need to be aware that if we don't see someone for a few weeks we should find out what has happened. Or it may be that you are unable to attend Church because you have been ill. In either case please contact the office as soon as possible and we will make arrangements for someone to keep in touch, if they so wish.



17th October WCMAD Fundraiser (We Can Make A Difference) at 7.00 pm St Aidan's Club (Parish Club) (Shared Table)

19th October World Mission Sunday

2nd November The Jubilee Pilgrims of Hope Icon, commissioned by CAFOD, will be visiting our parish

12th November Remembrance Service for the Faithful Departed

Save the Date

WCMAD Meetings:

Interested in our projects, traveling to Romania or helping with fundraising? Join us on November 9th 2025, March 8th, July 12th 2026 at 12.30pm after the tea club to learn more and get involved!

ONE SUNDAY MASS

On Sunday, 19th October (World Mission Sunday) there will be one Mass only at 10.30am.



From the following weekend (25th–26th October), we will continue with a single Sunday Mass, coinciding with the clocks going back on Sunday, 26th October.

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 07779 328 414.

This is a great tool to keep everyone informed of important events/services. Our hope is that this will bring more positive energy to our vibrant parish community.

Becoming a Catholic

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic - or if you were baptised a Catholic but never made your Confirmation or Holy Communion. Please start attending Mass at St. Aidan and St. Agnes. You will have the opportunity to come to know the parish community.

Please make yourself known to Christine Ball or Fr. Anton (contact details in this newsletter).

Those who attend Mass regularly and become part of this community will be baptised or received into full Communion with the Catholic Church at Easter.