

Parish Collections

24th November 2019

St. Agnes - £504.62
St Aidan - £236.02

St Agnes' team to count: Team 3

October Standing Orders

St Agnes - £1012.00
St Aidan - £95.00

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Sunday 1st December 2019

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Psalm: I rejoiced when I heard
them say: 'Let us go to
God's house.'

Gospel Acc: Let us see, O Lord,
your mercy and give us
your saving help.

Gospel: Matthew 24: 37-44

Preface: Pages 34-35

Rosary at St. Aidan's

The Rosary will be prayed on the first
Sunday of the month
at 4pm in St. Aidan's

All are welcome.



Baptism

**Baptism Preparation meeting:
First Monday of each month
St. Agnes' church at 7:30pm**

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.

St. Aidan's Baptisms:

3rd Sunday at 11am (Deacon)
4th Saturday at 12 noon (Fr. Anton)

St. Agnes' Baptisms:

1st Sunday at 12.30pm & 2pm (Fr. Anton)
4th Sunday at 12.30pm (Deacon)

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2020

We will be making another pilgrimage to
Walsingham next year 15-18 April 2020.
If you wish to travel there will be a £100
non-refundable deposit to be paid by
1st December. The balance will be
required by 15th February 2020. Cheques
to be made payable to St Agnes Church.

We will be visiting the shrine on Thursday
16th April and possibly Norwich or Ely on
Friday 17th April.

The hotel accommodation will be bed and
breakfast in Fakenham which is about 20
mins drive from Walsingham.

The Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan



Sunday 1st December 2019

First Sunday of Advent

Year A

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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

Prayer Requests

For those who are sick or in special need of our Prayers

Amy Adair, Tricia Andrews, Carol Atkinson, Baby Grace, Baby Sonny,
Elsie Blundell, Philip Bromwell, Triona Bromwell, Sophie Bond,
Jack Cardwell, Aaron Carmichael, Cathy Clarke, Thomas Clegg, Nicholas Cragg,
Janet & Ray Cragg, Eileen Critchley, John Cunningham,
Marie D'Arcy, Mary Davis, Nathan Davies, Annette Devine, Graham Dawson,
Sarah Doherty, Eddie Doran, Maria Edge, Margaret Edmondson, Nancy Evans,
Margaret Flynn, Philip Gallagher, Collette Garlick, Janine Garvey,
George Gibbons, Wyn Graham, Nick Gregory, Fr. Bernard Higham, Amanda Hill, Joseph Hill,
Christina Hill, Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Ann Holden, Barbara & Mike Holman, Kathleen Hughes,
Marie Hunter, Jimmy Jones, Kathleen Keenan, Marie Keight, John Kennedy, Molly Kennedy,
Kathy Latham, Kathleen Lawrence Margaret Leadbetter, Sr. Ann, Christine Lees,
Averyll Fairfield Logan, Peter Lovelady, Mrs Lynch, Brenda McArdle,
Lawrence McClintock, Susan McDougalle, Maureen McGurk, Caelan McKeown,
Patrick McKeown, Jennifer McKeown, Susan & Alan McKeown, Jennifer McLaughin,
Alan McMahon, Kay McNeill, Roisin & Padraig McRory, Pat Madden, Philip Malone,
Marion, Colette Martin, Kayleigh Martin, Terry Martin, Anna Michaels, Jerome Mitchell,
Laura Mitchell, Mave Mooney, Steve Moore, Aidan Morris, Fr. Simon, John Mulcahey,
Jane Murney Margaret Murphy, Hazel Naylor, Maisie Linda O'Keefe, Mary Organ, Paul,
Jacqueline Patel, Wendy Paveley, Clare Pendleton, Wyn Pickup, Maisie Pritchard,
Alison Randles, Alan Ratcliffe, Josie Riley, Bernard Riley, Sandra Rowley,
Rose Sankey, Steve Smith, James Soundie, James Taylor, Mary Waldron,
Fr Nicholas Wild, Kate Williams, Anthony Wilson, Anthony Winrow,.

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 Deceased

Danny Mulvenna,

Anniversaries

Bernard John Murray, Christopher McGuire, John Francis Donnelly, Maureen Renwick,
Bob Latham, Rita Goodwin,

Sanctuary Lamps week beginning – 1st December 2019

St Agnes - Parishioners of St. Agnes & St. Aidan

St Aidan - Parishioners of St Agnes & St Aidan

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.

PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

Main Parish Office: St. Aidan

92 Adswood Road, L36 7XR

Tel/fax: 0151 489 3085

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9.00am - 12.30pm

Friday 9.00am - 4.00pm

St Agnes Church

82 Huyton Hey Road, L36 5SQ

Tel: 449 2209

Mass cards available from either church

Email Address:

agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk

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

St. Aidan's

Parish Centre

Memberships available

TUESDAY

Country Night 7.30pm

WEDNESDAY

Bingo at 1.00pm. Quiz Night

THURSDAY

Bingo 7.30pm

SUNDAY

Cabaret Night

Function rooms for hire Friday, Saturday
and noon Sunday. Provide your own catering
or ask for a quote. All enquiries contact:

Jacqui on: 0151 489 9024

Please note

There is no longer SKY in the club

PARISH CONTACTS

SISTERS:

Helpers of the Holy Souls

Sr. Elizabeth 0151 480 7904

Sr. Mary Rose 0151 482 6895

Sr. Silvia 0151 482 6895

Sisters of St. Mary of Namur

Sr. Barbara 0151 481 0968

Sr. Gabriel 0151 489 1302

Sr. Louise 0151 489 1302

Deacons:

Mike Whelan, Joe Morgan

PRIMARY SCHOOLS:

St. Aidan 0151 477 8370

St. Joseph 0151 477 8990

St. Anne's 0151 477 8260

Parish Priest

Rev. Fr. Anton Fernandopulle

0151 489 3085

Pastoral Assistant:

Christine Ball - christinewball@gmail.com

PARISH CLUB

St. Aidan: 0151 489 9024

'Parish of St. Agnes and St. Aidan'

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Christine Ball will be available in the parish office on Thursdays between 10am and 1pm. If you would like to discuss anything about parish life, voice concerns or ideas, please contact her via email (christinewball@gmail.com) to arrange a time.

**Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje:
8th to 15th September 2020**

Flight from Manchester to Split
7 nights hotel accommodation on half board basis
Full religious programme
20kg checked in luggage

Early bird cost: **£545** per person sharing, if deposit of £150 (non-refundable) is paid by 11am Thursday 19th December 2019

Thereafter the cost for this pilgrimage will be
£645

Single room supplement of £154

Please contact the Parish office
or speak to Mary McCloy, Cath Goulding or
Honor Ambrose



**THE WELCOMING PRACTICE
Contemplative practice 'on the go'
A DAY WORKSHOP**

Saturday 18 January 2020 10.00am – 4.00pm
The Lady Chapel, Liverpool Cathedral
Led by Fr Richard Sloan and Revd Mark Waters

You can book a place at this link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-welcoming-practice-tickets-74947663479>

For any further information call Mark Waters on 07795 822193

Full details are in the porches

I seek you!

An advent retreat with the psalms in everyday life

Led by Sr. MaryRose and Sr. Silvia

In the **Old School House** (St. John's Road, Huyton,
L36 0UX)

Thursdays, 7-9pm, 12th and 19th December

Is this the space you were looking for?

If so, please contact the Parish office (01514893085)

or e-mail (berezckis2002@yahoo.com) to reserve a place!



Mass Intentions

Saturday 30th November—Feast of St Andrew Apostle

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - Richard Markey, SHARE Knowsley

Sunday 1st December – First Sunday of Advent Year A

St Aidan Mass 9.30am - Sadie Myler, John Fadden

St Agnes Mass 11.00am - Trudie Sinnott, James & Sarah Watts

Monday - 2nd December

St Agnes 9.30 am - Celebration of the Word and Communion

Tuesday 3rd December—Memorial of St Francis Xavier, priest

Wednesday 4th December

St Agnes Mass 7.30pm— Private Intention, Those Mentally & Physically Challenged.

Thursday 5th December

Friday 6th December

St Aidan Mass 12 noon— The Mulcahey Family, Ellen Hamilton

Saturday 7th December— Memorial of St Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm - The Orr Family, John & Anthony Murray

Sunday 8th December – Second Sunday of Advent Year A

St Aidan Mass 9.30am - Tom Collins, Kathleen Crellin

St Agnes Mass 11.00am - Robert Wiltshire, Rita Goodwin

**Confessions: Saturday at St Agnes 5pm- 5.20pm
and 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.*

SHARe Knowsley News Update

We are appealing to those who regularly make a donation to SHARe Knowsley and also pay tax to consider giving by standing order and completing a gift aid form so we can claim back the tax. Forms can be found at the back of the church or see Margaret Roche.

Thank you for your continuing support.
Thank you so much, Margaret

COMMUNITY CHOIR

If you are aged 7 or older and want to be part of our community choir, join us on a Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm until 7:45. Dates are as follows:

December 3rd Old Schoolhouse

December 10th St Agnes Church

December 17th Carols by Candlelight St Agnes Church

(All children under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult)

SYNOD TALKS

Complex Catholicism:
Discovering the reality of young Catholics in England & Wales
Monday 9th December

Hosted by Liverpool Hope University
Lecture begins at 7.30 p.m. and concludes 8.45 p.m.
(tea & coffee from 7 pm)
Optional Night prayers at 9 p.m.
www.synod2020.co.uk/lectures

ST. AGNES MISSION BOXES

Mission boxes are due to be emptied this month.
Thank you for all your support

FOURTH DIMENSION TRUST - Charity Shop

Do you have three or four hours free during the week?
If so, the Fourth Dimension Shop in the village is in need of new volunteers to work in the shop and would love to hear from you. The shop is an ecumenical charity founded to raise money through the sale of goods and refreshments to assist in developing countries and to meet the needs of our own area.
If you are interested in helping, please contact:

**The Fourth Dimension Shop in
Huyton Village
Tel: 0151 480 5257**



Romania & Suriname Projects

If you are a parishioner who is 16+ and regularly worship at St. Agnes or St. Aidan's you may like to help with our projects in Romania or Suriname.



There is a group that meets every first Thursday of the month at 7.00pm at the Presbytery 92 Adswood Road.

The God of Surprises

Sadly, we're almost programmed (perhaps by childhood conditioning) to hear the Gospel in a threatening or punitive way, as if Jesus is saying, "You'd better do it right, or I'm going to get you." With that outlook, we are likely to largely miss the point in today's Gospel. This is the bad fruit of using religion and Scripture to threaten people into love, which is actually a total impossibility. Most people who start with fear stay with fear and never get to the higher motivations. Let's try to hear it in a much more exciting and positive way. Jesus is not talking about the second coming of Christ. What he's talking about here is the *forever* coming of Christ, the *always* coming of Christ, the *eternal* coming of Christ...*now*...and *now*...and *now*. Christ is *always* coming; God is *always* present. *It's we who aren't!* We're always somewhere else. Jesus tells us to be conscious, to be awake, to be alert, to be alive. It's the key to all spirituality.

Other gospels also use the image of God as a 'thief in the night, as a landlord who returns unexpectedly.' That sounds threatening but Luke tells us that the landlord on his return 'will put on an apron, kneel down and wait on you.' This breaking into our lives is actually good! God gets into our lives best in the interruptions, in the discontinuities, in the unexpected, in the gaps. God has to break into our lives like a thief in the night when we're not ready, when we're not prepared, when we're not defended, when we're not all in our head, when we're not in charge, when we're not steering the ship. Usually it is in times when we are in the presence of silence, in the presence of love or in the presence of suffering. Our preparedness is not the completion of a spiritual tick list in order to win God's love. God breaks into our lives in moments of freedom, when we are free from our own ego, free from our own fears, free from our own anger, free from our limited perception of Love, of who God is and who we are in him. At this time of year the word 'surprise' is often on our lips. Today's Gospel speaks about a preparedness which is an openness to a God of surprises.

(Richard Rohr. Homilies. Adapted)

BEREAVEMENT CARE

Help, care and support is offered to all those bereaved, either recently, or anytime during the past. We are not counsellors, just a group of parishioners who have received training for this special ministry.

We offer a listening service if you wish to talk and share memories of your loved one. We can offer home visits, praying of the Rosary with the family and practical help and support. This service is available for both parishioners and non-parishioners. We also offer monthly DROP-IN sessions. This is an open invitation for anyone to come along and have a cup of tea/coffee.

**1st Wednesday of the month 2pm-4pm Sr. Elizabeth Kelly Room,
St Agnes Church**

**3rd Tuesday of the month 7pm-9pm St Aidan's Presbytery
92 Adswood Road, Huyton, L36 7XR**