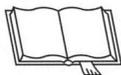


**SUNDAY 17th January 2021**  
**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**READING 1**

1 Samuel 3:3B-10, 19.



**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps. 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10. R. (8a & 9a)

*Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.*

**READING II**

1 Corinthians 6:13C-15A, 17-20

**GOSPEL** John 1:35-42

So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. (Jn 1:39)

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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

## STAY CONNECTED 0151 489 3085

As we approach winter and further restrictions on our contact with others, we want you to know we are here to chat. We are not trained professionals, but we are a friendly voice on the other end of the phone. If you would like someone to talk to, please call the office number: 0151 489 3085, leave a message and someone will call you at home for a chat. If you would like to volunteer to chat to someone, please let the office know.

### Let's STAY CONNECTED!

(Every Thursday between 18.30 and 21.00 a listening volunteer, Von Corner, will be available to take your call so you can talk in confidence.

**Telephone Number 0151 489 2498)**

**Sunday 17th January 2021**

**Second Sunday of Ordinary Time  
Year B**

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NEWSLETTER

## Prayer Requests

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

Lana Achilles, Amy Adair, Tricia Andrews, Carol Atkinson, Baby Grace,  
Baby Sonny, Joanne Baduna, Batey family, Nick Berentzen, Elsie Blundell, Philip Bromwell,  
Triona Bromwell, Sophie Bond, Paul Bullen, Henry Carpenter, Aaron Carmichael,  
Margaret Chandler, Rita Connelly, Thomas Clegg, Nicholas Cragg,  
Janet & Ray Cragg, John Cunningham, Marie D'Arcy, Mary Davis, Nathan Davies,  
Pauline Dermott, Annette Devine, Graham Dawson, Sarah Doherty, Eddie Doran, Maria Edge,  
Margaret Edmondson, Nancy Evans, Cath Fadden, Paula Fitzpatrick, Margaret Flynn,  
Brian Funnell, Collette Garlick, Euan Gee, George Gibbons, Wyn Graham, Nick Gregory,  
Fr. Bernard Higham, Amanda Hill, Tom Jones, Joseph Hill, Christina Hill,  
Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Stephen Hinckley, Ann Holden, Barbara & Mike Holman,  
Kathleen Hughes, Marie Hunter, Joe, Jimmy Jones, John Jones, Kathleen Keenan, Marie Keight,  
Patrick Kelly, John Kennedy, Molly Kennedy, Kathy Latham, Kathleen Lawrence,  
Margaret Leadbetter, Sr. Ann, Christine Lees, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Peter Lovelady,  
Mrs Lynch, Brenda McArdle, Rita McCartney, Lawrence McClintock,  
Bernard McCormick, Susan McDougale, Maureen McGurk, Caelan McKeown, Patrick McKeown,  
Jennifer McKeown, Susan & Alan McKeown, Jennifer McLaughin, Alan McMahan,  
Doreen McNamara, Kay McNeill, Roisin & Pdraig McRory, Pat Madden, Marion, Colette Martin,  
Kayleigh Martin, Terry Martin, Jerome Mitchell, Laura Mitchell, Mave Mooney, Joan Moran,  
Steve Moore, Aidan Morris, Norma Mudge, John Mulcahey, Jane Murney, Margaret Murphy,  
Hazel Naylor, Pam Nugent, Terry Naylor, Madeline O'Hare, Maisie Linda O'Keefe, Paul,  
Jacqueline Patel, Wendy Paveley, Clare Pendleton, Wyn Pickup, Maisie Pritchard,  
Alison Randles, Alan Ratcliffe, Josie Riley, Sandra Rowley, Rose Sankey, Bel Smith,  
Steve Smith, James Soundie, Maggie Steward, Edward Tarouilly, Joe Townson, Breige Treanor,  
Mary Waldron, Frances Walsh, Jim Wilkes, Fr Nicholas Wild, Kate Williams, Anthony Wilson,  
Anthony Winrow, Bill York.

### Latelty Deceased

Margaret Scales, Veronica McLindon



### Anniversaries

Alphonso Rossi, Gwen O'Hara, Margaret Ramsden, Margaret Girvan,

### **Sanctuary Lamps week beginning 17th January 2021**

**St Aidan** Refugees and Asylum Seekers

**St Agnes** People persecuted by their own government and forced to flee their country

***Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass  
Intention, an Anniversary or anyone adding to the Prayer List.  
Thank you for your support during this difficult time.***

## **“Come and see.”**

“What are you looking for?” ‘How we answer Jesus’ question determines how we live, how we navigate the tragedies and pain of life, and how we relate to God and our neighbour. We answer it every minute of every day by our choices, the decisions we make, the priorities we establish and the relationships we create.’ [1] Underlying each personal response, there is a common search for our true home, ‘that place where we discover who we are, where we are coming from and where we are going to. It is where we learn to love and be loved.’ [2] Jesus tells us where to find our true home. ‘Make your home in Me as I make mine in you.’ (John 15:4) Like the apostles, we may ask, “Where do you live?” and with a sense of anticipation and awe we may respond to Jesus’ invitation, “Come and see.”

‘How many times have we heard a child say: “Come and see .....” There is excitement and joy in their voice, maybe even a sense of urgency. Their words are an invitation to share in their discovery, to experience their world, and to participate in their life. It is an invitation to let our life and theirs come together as one. That’s why we can’t just sit back and say, “No, just tell me about it.” That’s not an acceptable answer. Children know that information and relationship are not interchangeable. We never outgrow the desire to invite and to be invited, to share our life with another in a deep and meaningful way, and to participate in something larger than ourselves. Would we rather read a travel brochure or travel to a new land? Would we rather *know about* Christ or *know* him?’ [1]

‘The only way we can get to know another person is by immediate presence. You have to be around them to pick up their real energy; to experience how they live and how they love.’ [3] ‘Our relationship with Christ, with one another, and with ourselves must be a firsthand experience. A firsthand experience won’t let us stay where we are. It moves us to a new place. It transforms us in a way that information and facts about Jesus never will.’ [1]

[1] Michael Marsh [2] Sister Stan [3] Richard Rohr

### **Lockdown 3: Church Closure - Message from Fr Anton Fernandopulle**

Since the Prime Minister announced the current lockdown, we have continued to celebrate Mass in both St Aidan and St Agnes.

However, the Archbishop, in his New Year letter to priests, has written this: *Although I have circulated the recent government advice on the opening of churches, I want to emphasise that the final decision in this regard is yours. Only you know your people, their age profile and the risks that they are likely to be exposed to and present to others. You have to consider your volunteers and stewards.*

So, after a lot of thinking and hesitation I have decided that as of last weekend we will cease the celebration of Mass in both churches. Nor will either of the churches be open for private prayer.

There are several reasons for this: The number of cases in our area is very high (1118 cases per 100,000 at the time of writing). The new strain is more virulent than previously. A good number of people who come to our Mass are over 70. Even though there is no obligation, attending Mass is a further risk. It is important to ensure the safety of our stewards. My heartfelt thanks goes to all of them for all the incredible work they have done over the past months.

Despite all the efforts made to make our Churches Covid secure, it is still a gathering of people for 30 minutes with the risk of spreading the virus.

As you know I have been eager to celebrate Mass as often as needed so it is with great regret that I make this decision. It will be for as short a time as possible and the situation will be reviewed at the end of January.

Mass will be live-streamed every Sunday from 11am. Please follow the parish Facebook and the website for the newsletter, daily reflections, mediations etc. If you would like the newsletter to be emailed to you or sent via WhatsApp, please call the parish office. (0151 489 3085)

It will still be possible for funerals to be live streamed.

I hope to see you all soon. Until then please take good care of yourselves and your families.



**Please note our churches are closed for weekend Masses until further notice. St . Agnes is opened only for funerals . Sunday Mass will be live streamed via YouTube at 11am**

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6YzfvR\\_fFKiF9Xut6EjqtQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6YzfvR_fFKiF9Xut6EjqtQ) .

### **Mass Intentions**

#### **Saturday 16th January**

Presbytery Mass 4.00 p.m. — Tony Crowney, Catherine Phoenix

#### **Sunday 17th January—2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time**

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

— Steve Sheridan, Kefe Akpogheneta, James Taylor

#### **Tuesday 19th January**

**St Agnes Funeral Service 12 noon—William Edward Barry**



#### **Wednesday 20th January**

Presbytery Mass 4.00 p. m. — The Fernandopulle Family, Maureen Hamilton

#### **Sunday 24th January—Third Sunday of Ordinary Time**

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

—Kathleen and James Sexton, Maureen Hamilton



### Parish of Sts. Agnes & Aidan Live stream Masses

Holy Mass will be live streamed every Sunday at 11am from St. Agnes Church.

You can find us on YouTube, the link is

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6YzfvR\\_fKIF9Xut6EjqtQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6YzfvR_fKIF9Xut6EjqtQ)

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



### IMPORTANT HELPLINES

These times are very difficult. There is help available. This list is not extensive, but here are some numbers. Please don't struggle alone!

#### Domestic violence or abuse

- **National Domestic Abuse Helpline: 0800 2000 247**
- **The First Step: 0151 548 3333**
- **Women's Aid Domestic Violence Helpline: 0808 2000 247** Free 24-hour national helpline run by Women's Aid and Refuge.
- **Men's Advice Line: 0808 801 0327** Confidential helpline for male victims of domestic abuse.

#### Samaritans: 116 123

Call us any time, day or night. Whatever you're going through, you can call from any phone, at any time for free or email: [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)

- **Shout:** offers assistance by text 24 hours a day. Text 85258 to speak to a trained volunteer.
- **Childline: 0800 1111** If you're aged under 19, you can contact Childline for advice and mental health support.
- **Drinkline: 0300 123 1110** is the national alcohol helpline, which can be contacted confidentially
- **Action Fraud: 0300 123 2040**
- **Mind, the mental health charity 0300 123 3393** Email: [info@mind.org.uk](mailto:info@mind.org.uk).

### Parish Funding During the Coronavirus Lockdown

It is always difficult to approach financial matters, but as you know, the Coronavirus has had far reaching implications, one of which is the significant decrease in monetary contributions to the parish because of Lockdown. If you are not yet able to return to Mass and would still like to make a contribution, please consider the following: We would like to invite those parishioners who normally give to the weekly collection at Sunday Mass, either in envelopes or cash, and feel able to continue to do so, to consider setting up a monthly standing order for an equivalent amount. Please contact us by e-mail ([agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk](mailto:agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk)) or phone (0151 489 3085) and we will provide you with the relevant account details.

Text giving is also available for each parish and the details below are ready to use for accepting both one-off and regular donations. Please note all texts cost the amount you donate plus one standard rate message.

#### For St. Aidan

Text **AIDAN** to 70085 to donate £2.  
Text **AIDAN** to 70450 to donate £3.  
Text **AIDAN** to 70460 to donate £5..  
Text **AIDAN** to 70470 to donate £10.

#### For St. Agnes

Text **AGNES** to 70085 to donate £2  
Text **AGNES** to 70450 to donate £3  
Text **AGNES** to 70460 to donate £5  
Text **AGNES** to 70470 to donate £10

### IMPORTANT BAPTISM INFORMATION

#### PLEASE NOTE AT PRESENT ALL BAPTISM'S HAVE BEEN PUT ON HOLD

Would you like your child to be Baptised?

Are they aged 8 or younger?

Because of current restrictions, we have had to make several changes to our Baptism preparation programme.

- 1) Please call the parish office (**0151 489 3085**). They will ask for an email address and you will be sent a link to a preparation video. You will need to answer 4 questions and email your responses to the parish office: [agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk](mailto:agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk)  
Your child's opportunity to be Baptised is not determined by what you answer, but it is more an opportunity for you to reflect on what you are asking for.
- 2) In addition to this, you (parents or a parent and a Godparent or grandparent) will have to attend a short meeting at St. Agnes church with the parish Baptism preparation team.

**We will advise, when we are able to hold the next Baptism Preparation Meeting. In the meantime, if you would like to put your name on the list for this please contact the parish office.**