



ST AGNES, WEST KIRBY

## St Agnes Church

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**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

(Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26)

WEEK COMMENCING 13 <sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2022		Church	Intentions
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> February: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Theresa Thompson (RIP)
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> February: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Ann and Peter Graves (RIP)
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> February: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Ronald Knoop (RIP)
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> February: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Jack and Helen Kieran (RIP)
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> February: 9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	John Kentleton (RIP)
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> February: 9.15am	Service of Word and Communion	St Agnes	~
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> February: 9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Sick of the Parish
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Tony Hearty (RIP)
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> February: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Paul Claffey and family
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> February: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Madge McGrath (RIP)
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> February: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Marie McManus (RIP)

**PLEASE PRAY** for all who have died recently and their families especially: Bernadette Allmand (Sarah Winston's mother), Margaret Anne Bowden, Anne Brady, Josie Crowley, Anthony Hearty, James Keaton, Beryl Keningley, Monica Malone, Helen Rafferty and Theresa Thompson.

**PLEASE** remember in your prayers all those who are sick.



**ONLINE MASS** via Zoom is on **Sunday at 9am:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84015861524>

[Apologies to those logging on last Sunday. We were unable to live stream Mass due to internet connection problems.]

**FR DAVID'S GOSPEL REFLECTION:** What is happiness? Where is it to be found? Who is happy? These questions arise in every generation and in every culture. In our twenty-first century British culture it seems that for most of us happiness consists in having money and possessions, ensuring that our material needs and desires are fulfilled, being entertained and perhaps even becoming famous. Today we begin a series of readings from Luke's sermon on the Plain, the equivalent of Matthew's sermon on the Mount. Today's selection consisting of beatitudes and warnings sets the tone for the rest of the sermon and raises the question of true happiness. In it Jesus challenges our easy assumptions that true happiness consists in money and other possessions, eating well, having a good time and staying clear of controversy. Jesus knows that true happiness consists in right relationship with God. He insists that what can make us truly happy and really blessed is a singular dedication to God and God's kingdom. Jesus's blessings and woes turn everything upside down. They challenge the very core of our assumptions about human existence and call us to make a choice about the ground of our trust and the way in which we act. On that choice depends our happiness both now and in the fullness of God's kingdom. During this week reflect on your own concept of happiness. What place do trusting in God and walking in God's way have in your search for happiness?

## \*UPDATED GUIDANCE FOR CHURCHES\*

Following the Government's announcement that Plan B measures were to be lifted in full on 27<sup>th</sup> January, the updated guidance for churches is detailed below:

- If you are displaying symptoms of Covid-19 please do stay at home and do not come to any acts of worship.
- Hand sanitiser will continue to be available for use on arrival and when leaving the church.
- Facemasks are no longer a legal requirement but please do continue to wear one if you wish.
- All the church windows will be remain open for ventilation. Please wrap up warm!
- Holy water will be in the fonts for those who would like to use it and the water will be changed regularly.
- Mass cards and hymnbooks will be available again. Please collect a Mass card and / or hymnbook from the back of church on arrival. Please leave these at the back of church at the end of Mass rather than in the pews. Congregational singing may continue and there is a general encouragement to wear face coverings while doing so.
- Printed copies of the newsletter will be available for those who don't receive an electronic copy, however, we would encourage you to sign up to our electronic newsletter mailing list by emailing the Parish Office: [stagneswestkirby@gmail.com](mailto:stagneswestkirby@gmail.com)
- The Offertory collection and procession will be resumed.
- Holy Communion will continue to be given under one kind only (the Sacred Host) and all ministers of Holy Communion will continue to sanitise their hands for the distribution of Holy Communion.

**Thank you for continuing to think of your fellow parishioners when reading this guidance.**



**SYNODALITY AND THE CHURCH:** There will be a meeting in St Catherine's Parish Centre on 16th February at 7pm to explore what Synodality means and contribute to the consultation on how it can help the Church today. All are welcome.

The meeting will be finished by 8.30pm. For further reading on the Synod please visit:

<https://www.synod.va/en.html>

**FLOWER ROTA:** Volunteers needed please! Flower arranging skills not needed but a bonus if you do. Please contact Martina Parry on 07779948162 or Veronica Ramsey on 07977190833 if you can help. Thank you.

**MUSIC MINISTRY:** As hymnbooks are now back in use we welcome everyone back to singing with us again including the Mass parts and Acclamations (church guidance does encourage the use of a face mask whilst singing). Do you sing or play an instrument? Would you like to join the music ministry? If you are interested please ring Fran on 625 2492.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** We are in need of two volunteers to join the dedicated team who clean, dust and polish St. Agnes' church week after week and keep it so well cared for. This would involve approximately one hour every four weeks. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Jo Forsey on 07936435073.



**Do you have any items for the newsletter? Would you like to receive the newsletter electronically each week?** Please email Phoebe in the Parish Office. ([stagneswestkirby@gmail.com](mailto:stagneswestkirby@gmail.com)).