



ST AGNES, WEST KIRBY

St Agnes Church

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Sunday 15th May 2022

Fifth Sunday of Easter (Gospel: John 13:31-35)

WEEK COMMENCING 15 th May 2022		Church	Intentions
Saturday 14 th May: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Marianna Varkey
Sunday 15 th May: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Sue Short (Anniversary)
Sunday 15 th May: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Mr PA George
Monday 16 th May: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Allan Ferrier (RIP)
Tuesday 17 th May: 12noon	Mass	St Catherine's	Fr Robin Sutton (RIP)
Wednesday 18 th May: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Private Intention (TM)
Thursday 19 th May: 9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Fr Anthony Reynolds (RIP)
Friday 20 th May: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Vocations to the Priesthood and consecrated life
Saturday 21 st May: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Vincent McGee (RIP)
Sunday 22 nd May: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Francis James (Anniversary)
Sunday 22 nd May: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention

PLEASE PRAY for all who have died recently and their families especially Fr Robin Sutton and Eileen Webster.

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>

FR DAVID'S GOSPEL REFLECTION: The Gospel scene is Jesus's Last Supper with his disciples. He has washed their feet and witnessed the departure of Judas. Now he faces the prospect of arrest, physical and psychological suffering, crucifixion and death. And yet he proclaims that this is not a defeat or humiliation but rather victory and exaltation. The exaltation of Jesus, however, means his physical departure from his first followers. Today's excerpt from Jesus's farewell discourse suggests that one way they (and us) can continue the movement begun by Jesus is through loving one another. The love commandment described in today's Gospel passage has two dimensions: Community and witness. The Christian community's practice of love takes its start from God's love for us. Because we have experienced God's love in Jesus, we can and should love one another and love God. This is the communal dimension. Witness is the second dimension of Jesus's love commandment. One of the most striking and attractive features of the early Christian movement was the love that its members showed to one another. It made outsiders inquire about what these people believed and why they acted as they did. The most effective missionary strategy is and always has been the good example of Christians who show their love for God and others in what they do. The practice of Jesus's love commandment is the most eloquent sign to the world that the movement initiated by Jesus continues in authentic ways.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: We welcome 30 children and their families this weekend who will be receiving First Holy Communion at St Agnes. Please keep the children in your prayers as they take this next step in their faith journey. Thank you to our catechists and parents for all they have done in preparing the children for this sacrament. On Sunday the children will be having a celebration in the hall after Mass. Please come and join them for tea and coffee!

A MEMORIAL SERVICE in thanksgiving for the life and service of Sr. Loretta Madigan FCJ will take place on Monday 23rd May at 7.00pm at Upton Hall School Chapel. All are welcome. Please RSVP to 0151 652 3715 by Friday 20th May.

ST LUKE'S, HOYLAKE are excited to welcome acclaimed christian singer/songwriter Paul Field in concert on Sunday 29th May at 7pm. Tickets are £5 and can be booked at stlukeshoylake.com or contact craigp@wirralmethodist.org.uk.

TAIZE: the next service will take place at St Agnes on Thursday 9th June at 7pm (it will alternate each month between St Catherine's and St Agnes).

ADORATION will take place every Wednesday 7pm-8pm at St Catherine's.

CARDS are available for a small donation (£1 a card) from the new stand in the foyer (when entering from the hall side of church). There is a lovely selection of cards for baptism, first holy communion, mass intentions and other occasions.

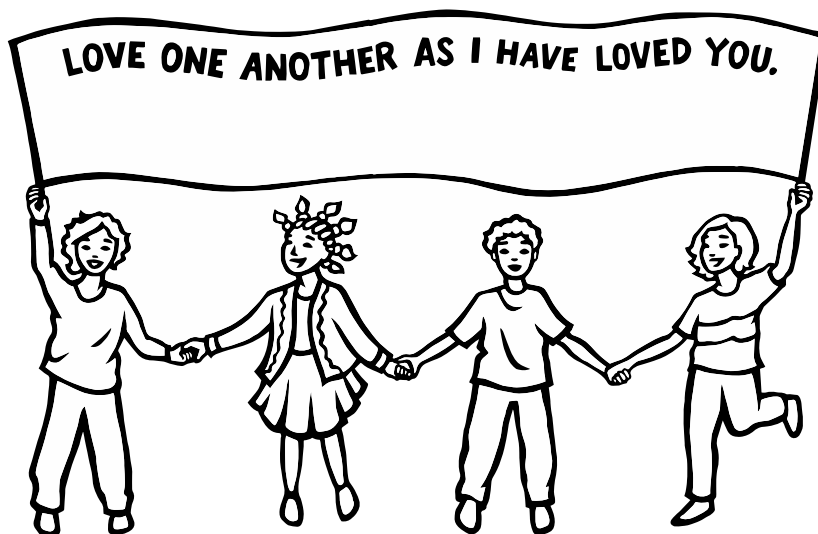


WIRRAL FOODBANK require the following items: tinned meat, pasta sauce, biscuits, squash, instant mash, packet soup, tinned fruit, jam, deodorant and washing up liquid. If you would like to donate any of these items, please use the Foodbank box at the back of church. Thank you for your support.



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)

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Find more activities and prayers at cafod.org.uk/families