



ST AGNES, WEST KIRBY

# St Agnes Church

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**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2022**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter** (Gospel: John 14:23-29)

WEEK COMMENCING 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022		Church	Intentions
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> May: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Vincent McGee (RIP)
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Francis James (Anniversary)
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Robert Marks (RIP)
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May: 12noon	Mass	St Catherine's	Will Reynolds
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Paul Dominic Cook (RIP)
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May: 7pm	Vigil Mass for Ascension	St Agnes	St Agnes and St Catherine's parishioners
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May: 9.15am	Mass (Ascension)	St Catherine's	John Kentleton (RIP)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Private Intention (TM)
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> May: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Dorothy Potter
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> May: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Tony Walsh
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> May: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention

**PLEASE PRAY** for all who have died recently and their families especially Monsignor Chris Lightbound, Marianne McDonough, Fr Robin Sutton, Eileen Webster.

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



**WE WELCOME** Isla and Ava Fawdry to our Parish Community following their Baptism at St Agnes last Sunday.

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

**FR DAVID'S GOSPEL REFLECTION:** In the final weeks of the Easter season, the Gospel readings are taken almost entirely from Jesus's farewell discourse in John 14-17. He considers what should characterize their lives after his departure and how the movement begun by him might continue in his physical absence. One means of carrying on the movement begun by Jesus is fidelity to his words. The reason for the existence of the Gospels is to promote this fidelity. However, not everything that came up in the life of the church after Jesus's resurrection is covered in the Gospels. For these and other issues that have emerged over the centuries, what was and is needed is the guidance of the Holy Spirit. In today's passage from John 14, Jesus promises to send the "Advocate" (traditionally known as the Paraclete) or Holy Spirit. The Advocate's task will be to teach the followers of Jesus everything they need to know and to remind them of the words of Jesus. The Advocate is to be the "stand-in" for or representative of the earthly Jesus. What would allow the disciples to carry on from the earthly Jesus and bring his word to others was the gift of the Holy Spirit. But to be instructed by the Advocate it is necessary first of all to be open to the Holy Spirit. That involves recognizing that God may have surprises in store for us as individuals and a community of faith.

**CAFOD** writes: 'Thank you to all parishioners at St Agnes for your generous support for CAFOD this year and for your latest donation of **£765.35** which we recently received. Thank you for donating to our Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal. Our local Ukrainian aid workers and volunteers are already reaching families in need who have been forced to leave their homes due to the conflict, especially women and children. We are supporting our Caritas sister agencies to reach communities most in need inside Ukraine, and in neighbouring countries. Your donation will provide food, clean water, healthcare, and travel onto safe areas or into neighbouring countries. On behalf of the families you are reaching out to with kindness and compassion, thank you. Please keep the people of Ukraine in your thoughts and prayers.'

**SVP:** Thank you to the parishioners who kindly donated bikes to the Ukrainian families who have recently moved to the area. Propergeeks in Wallasey generously donated a laptop with a Ukrainian keyboard and offered aftercare support free of charge.

**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](http://stlukeshoylake.com) or contact [craigp@wirralmethodist.org.uk](mailto: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.

**TRAIIDCRAFT** is looking for someone to organise the Traidcraft stall. Margaret Smith, who has done a wonderful job for years, cannot continue to run this. Please contact Phoebe in the Parish Office ([stagneswestkirby@gmail.com](mailto:stagneswestkirby@gmail.com)) in the first instance if you are interested.

**CARDS** are available for a small donation (£1 a card) from the new stand in the foyer. 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.



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