



ST AGNES, WEST KIRBY

St Agnes Church

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Sunday 2nd May 2021
Fifth Sunday Of Easter

ST AGNES		Intentions
Saturday 1 st May: 5.30pm	Mass	Moya Gladding
Sunday 2 nd May: 10.30am	Mass	Paula, Sorcha and Niamh Riby
Wednesday 5 th May: 9.15am	Mass	Private Intention (TM)
Friday 7 th May: 9.15am	Mass	Chris and Mary Henry
Saturday 8 th May: 5.30pm	Mass	Gallagher Family
Sunday 9 th May: 10.30am	Mass	Bob Dulson
ST CATHERINE'S		
Sunday 2 nd May: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	Jack Turner
Tuesday 4 th May: 9.15am	Mass	Eileen Burke
Thursday 6 th May: 9.15am	Mass and online via Zoom	Caroline Stevenson
Sunday 9 th May: 9.15am	Mass and online via Zoom	Tony Walsh

MASS READINGS can be found at universalis.com/mass.htm.

FR DAVID'S GOSPEL REFLECTION: In the Gospel today, the symbol of the vine and the branches describes the intimate union between Christ and the believer. The Christian is to live united with God in Christ. You may recall how early in John's Gospel some disciples asked Jesus where he was staying. Jesus replied, "Come and See," and the disciples "remained" with him for the rest of that day. Discipleship begins with "abiding" with Jesus. Such a close union with Jesus is not the privileged experience of the saints; it is the core of Christian life. If you want to know Jesus more intimately, you can begin with some contemplation of the Gospels. Set aside 30 minutes this week to contemplate a passage of the Gospels. The Gospels are stories written to engage our imaginations, hearts and minds so that we will come to know, love and follow Jesus.

PLEASE PRAY for all who have died recently and their families, especially Philip Riby.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those who are sick.



ONLINE MASS via Zoom is on **Sundays** at **9am** and **Thursdays** at **9.15am**. The link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84015861524> All those who have contacted the Parish Office for the Zoom link will automatically be sent the link weekly.

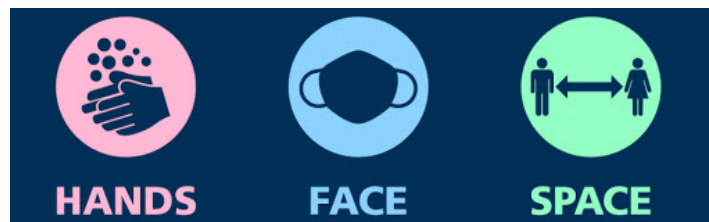


CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP is on this Sunday. Please join us at 11.15am via Zoom. More information and how to get involved each Sunday can be found on our private Facebook Group 'St Catherine's Children's Liturgy'. Please email Phoebe (stagneswestkirby@gmail.com) in the Parish Office for details or if you have any questions.

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GUIDANCE FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MASS: In line with governmental and diocesan guidelines we have the following safety measures in place:

- on arrival for Mass, a steward will ask you to sanitise your hands and guide you to a suitable bench depending on whether you have come as part of a household or as an individual observing at all times the 1m+ social distancing procedures.
- **everyone must wear face coverings; please bring your own covering with you and ensure it is worn correctly over your nose and mouth.** There will be some available if you do not have one.
- please remain in your bench at the end of Mass and wait to be asked to leave by a steward. This ensures safe distancing on exiting the church
- we have calculated that a maximum of 80 people will be able to attend each Mass at St Agnes. If you are able to attend Mass in the week, please do come then so that those who can only attend Mass on a Sunday are able to. Booking is not required (with the exception of Holy Week). We are sorry if church is at full capacity when you arrive, however, please understand the stewards are following guidelines to protect everybody.
- **Please also bear in mind that the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days remains suspended. Thank you very much for your co-operation and understanding.**



OUR LADY OF PITY ANNEXE PRESCHOOL, HOYLAKE has places available for 2-4 year olds starting in September 2021. Please contact the Preschool Manager Jenny Jackson via: olopannexepreschool@gmail.com or 0151 632 6336. Further information can be found at www.olopannexepreschool.com

PRAY IN MAY with Mary's Meals: Throughout the month of May Mary's Meals is asking parishes across the country to pray with them to bless Mary's Meals, as they recognise the special place of prayer in their work. Further information on the work of Mary's Meals can be found here: www.marysmeals.org.uk/prayinmay

INTER-DIOCESAN FUEL MANAGEMENT LIMITED is a Catholic organisation currently recruiting an Administrator. The Company purchases gas, electricity, fuel oil and biomass for the majority of Catholic Dioceses in England and Wales. The role is working with others in the department processing invoices, collecting data and general administration duties. This is a full-time post: 35 hours Monday to Friday based at the Curial Office, Birkenhead, Wirral. Salary: £16K to 19K dependent on experience. Closing date 28 May 2021. Please send CV to Pauline McCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org For further details please visit the website <http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies>

PAX CHRISTI: Join their Pilgrimage for Peace from 15-21 May 2021. Walk, cycle, row, run, pray, read ...whether as an individual, a group, a family. Set yourself a sponsored challenge and raise funds for Pax Christi. Further information can be found at <https://paxchristi.org.uk/register-you-interest/>

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are now available for this year and can be delivered to your house. Please contact Ruth McDonald on 0151 625 8434 to arrange delivery.

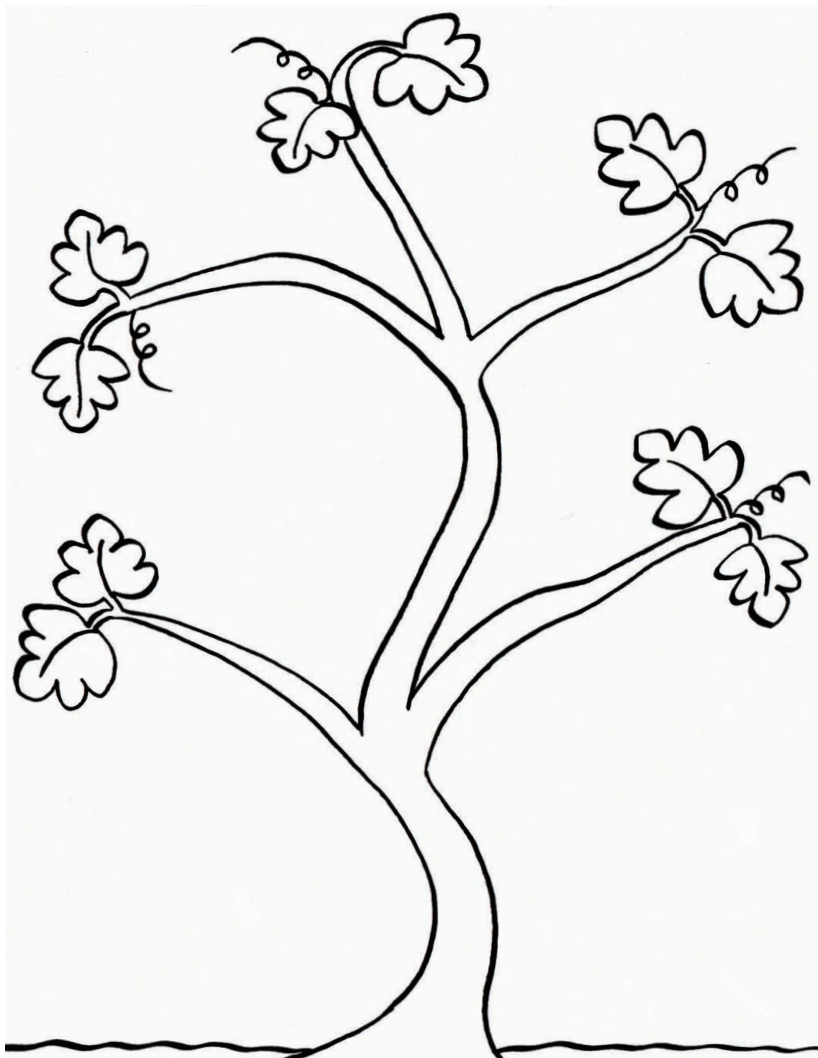
GIFT AID: if you have previously donated with gift aid but now do not pay tax or if you now pay tax and wish to gift aid your donation please call John Brown on 0151 625 6361. Thank you.

FOOTBALL BOOTS: do you have an unwanted pair of football boots which could be donated to the asylum seekers (preferably adult size 11-12, but any size will be appreciated)? Please contact Sr Monica on 07531240457 or 0151 625 5592 who would be very happy and grateful to collect from any address. Thank you.



Do you have any items for the newsletter? Would you like to receive the newsletter electronically each week? Please email (stagneswestkirby@gmail.com).

*Fifth Sunday of Easter
Gospel: John 15:1-8*



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

(Redemptorist Publications)

IN THE GOSPEL TODAY...

Jesus tells the people that he is like a vine. Father, God in heaven, is like the gardener who looks after the vine, and we are like the branches that the grapes grown on.

A PRAYER TO SAY... Dear Jesus, thank you for giving me everything I need to grow. Please help me to grow your love and bear good fruit. Amen.

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