### St Aidan's Parish

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Office Days this week: OFFICE CLOSED. Reopening Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

#### **SACRAMENTS AND FUNERALS AT ST AIDAN'S**

**BAPTISM**: By appointment after completing a Baptism preparation course. Please contact St Aidan's as early as possible in your planning. Next course dates: Early in 2019 - to be confirmed.

**MARRIAGE**: By appointment after completion of a Marriage Preparation Course. Please contact the office BEFORE making any firm plans.

**FUNERALS**: By arrangement with the Parish Priest. Please contact the office BEFORE making any firm arrangements with undertakers or the crematorium.

#### FR KEN WRITES

My thanks extend to all of you who contributed to the celebration of Christ's birth this Christmas – taking an active part in the liturgy, singers, servers, sacristans, instrumentalists, ushers, floral decorators, personal gifts, and the collection for MoPSA to help the homeless and starving. An enormous 'thank you' to all. The amount given for MoPSA will be announced in next week's bulletin.

Following on from Bishop Peter's letter read at this weekend's Masses, would those of you who are married please consider very occasionally sharing your thoughts and experiences of married life with one of the couples preparing for marriage in the future? There are guidelines to help you do this, although they do not necessarily have to be followed – every marriage is different!

I take this opportunity of wishing you all a peaceful and joy-filled New Year. We will have our usual vigil of prayer from 11.00pm to midnight on Monday evening, and in that way we begin 2019 centred on the Lord.

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READER TEAM**

Sat 29<sup>th</sup>: PA KC SuH & A; Sun 30<sup>th</sup>: AB FM RS & V Sat 5<sup>th</sup>: LH ShH CQ & B; Sun 6<sup>th</sup>: SA JH EW & W

Collection for 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec: £377.66 Standing orders: £480.00

Collection for MoPSA at the Christmas Masses on 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> December:

to be announced next weekend.

#### **OFFICE HOURS OVER CHRISTMAS**

The office has closed for Christmas, and will re-open on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.

#### **TAIZE YOUTH PILRIMAGE**

The youth of the parish are invited to a Taizé Youth Pilgrimage, from 6<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> April 2019. Please save the date, and more information will follow after Christmas.

#### MoPSA

MoPSA supports the Missionaries of the Poor. It raises funds for the poor and destitute who are living in parts of the world where there are insufficient resources.



The Missionaries of the Poor, founded by Fr. Richard Ho Lung and a community of Brothers, have centres in Jamaica, India, Philippines, Haiti, Indonesia, U.S.A. and Africa.

Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Jan

11.00am

The services provided by the Brothers are given free of charge and include:

Food, Clean Water, Shelter and Medicine

All funds raised go directly to the Missionaries of the

Poor without any deductions for administration.

Thank you for helping to bring life to others.

## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2018

Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.00pm	Mass – including	People of the	3.00pm	Wedding of Andrew Scriver &
		renewal of marriage vows	Parish	5.15-5.45pm	Michelle Breen Confessions
		THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH		3.13 3.13pm	Comessions
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.00am	Mass - including renewal of marriage vows	Ray Parsons RIP	12noon	Tea and Coffee in the Hall
Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	9.30am	Mass	Shirley Walton RIP	9.00am	Rosary
New Year's Eve				11.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Prayer and Benediction at Midnight
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan New Year's Day	9.30am	Mass – Mary, Mother of God	Sonny Marnane RIP	9.00am	Rosary
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	9.30am	Mass – SS Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen	Elsie Fernandez (Sp Int)	9.00am	Rosary
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	9.30am	Mass - Feria	Abina & Cornelius Lehane RIP	9.00am	Rosary
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.30am	Mass - Feria	Danny Brady RIP	9.00am 10.00am	Rosary Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
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		5 <sup>th</sup>	& 6 <sup>th</sup> JANUAR	Y 2019	
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6.00pm	Mass	People of the	5.15-5.45pm	Confessions

# Wishing you all a very peaceful and joy-filled New Year

Parish

Pat Hedger RIP

12noon

Tea and Coffee in the Hall

THE EPIPHANY

OF THE LORD