

St Aidan's Parish

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Office days this week: Monday 9th, Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th October

SACRAMENTS & FUNERALS AT ST AIDAN'S

BAPTISM: By appointment after completing a Baptism Preparation Course. Please contact St Aidan's office as early as possible in your planning. Next course dates – 1st, 8th & 15th October.

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.

If you would like something included in the newsletter, please email the office. Deadline for next week: Wed 11th Oct

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

8th October 2017

Date	Time	Mass/Service of Communion	Mass intention	Other Services/events
Sat 7 th Oct	6.00pm	Mass TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 2 nd collection for CAFOD FAST DAY	Des Hughes RIP	5.15-5.45pm Confessions
Sun 8 th Oct	11.00am	Mass	People of the Parish	12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall 12noon Baptism Preparation Course in the Presbytery
Mon 9 th Oct	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Marcelle Grant RIP	9.00am Rosary
Tues 10 th Oct	9.30am	Mass - Feria	John Jackson RIP	9.00am Rosary 8.00pm Justice & Peace Group Meeting at St Aidan's
Wed 11 th Oct	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Maura Sweeney RIP	9.00am Rosary 10.00am SVP Meeting
Thurs 12 th Oct	9.30am	Mass - Feria	Pat Hedger RIP	9.00am Rosary
Fri 13 th Oct	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Fr Ron Bustin RIP	9.00am Rosary
Sat 14 th Oct	6.00pm	Mass TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	People of the Parish	5.15-5.45pm Confessions
Sun 15 th Oct	11.00am	Mass	Aidan Murray RIP	12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall 12noon Baptism Preparation Course in the Presbytery

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READER TEAM

Sat 7th: ShH PK SL JS & B; Sun 8th: LJ FO MW & W
Sat 14th: KC AM GM CQ & A; Sun 15th: SA AB MW & Y

Collection for 30th Sept & 1st Oct: £626.95
Standing orders: £502.00

FR KEN WRITES

The parish hall at Gerrards Cross was full last Wednesday for the RISE theatre's excellent production of the Blessed Oscar Romero's play. I was sorry, though, that many of our parishioners were unable to attend. It was a thought-provoking play. We, too, often feel helpless in the face of darkness, but we nevertheless become light, however small, if we dare to love. The young people in 'RISE' are to be very warmly congratulated.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The sign-up list is closing this week. Please sign up via the parish website:

<http://www.staidanslittlechalfont.co.uk/sacraments-at-st-aidans/first-holy-communion/>

JOB OPPORTUNITY

St Michael's school in High Wycombe are recruiting for a full time Chaplain role. Please see their website for more information and an application form:

<http://www.stmichaels.bucks.sch.uk/vacancies.html>

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School in Chalfont St Peter would like to invite prospective pupils and parents to their Open Days on Wednesday 11th and 18th of October from 9am to 12noon. You are also welcome to contact them for a private appointment to visit the school at a time that suits you. Contact the school office on 01753 887743.

EXPLORING THE MASS

In this new DVD and book Cardinal Vincent Nichols explains the different parts of the Mass and how best to participate in them. For information on pricing and how to order please see the poster on the noticeboard.

ADVENT REFLECTION DAY

All are welcome to an Advent Reflection Day on Saturday 16th December at Turvey. Please see the poster on the noticeboard for more information and book via the Nores office: admin@nores.org.uk

PRISONERS' SUNDAY

This year we mark Prisoners' Sunday on 8th October. It is a day to direct our thoughts and prayers to prisoners and their families. There are flyers and prayer sheets in the narthex – please take one as you leave Mass today.

FR RICHARD MORONEY

Fr Richard Moroney, who served as a priest at St Aidan's between 1995 and 1996, is retiring this month. If anyone wishes to make an offering towards his retirement gift then there are some blue envelopes in the narthex for this purpose. Please write any personal message on the back of the envelope. Envelopes must be returned to Louise in the Office by Thursday 12th October latest, so they can be forwarded on in time.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY

Friday 6th October was Harvest Fast Day. This year, we are standing together with Edelmira, a farmer in El Salvador, as she works to sustain her family with good crops and harvests. With your help, CAFOD is giving her fruit trees, training, and strong seeds. Please return your Fast Day Envelope today, and give what you can.



MEETING OF YOUNG PEOPLE TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE REOPENING OF YOUTH CLUB

For a number of reasons, following five very successful months of operation, the Compass Youth Club ceased to function at the beginning of this year. Since then, efforts have been made to re-launch it, if not on the same basis, then, on a model that suits the wishes of those involved. With this in mind, there will be a preliminary meeting at Our Lady's School at 1pm on Sunday 29th October. Neil Roseman, Director of the Diocesan Youth Ministry Office, will be in attendance.

All young people in the parish of secondary school age, and those currently in year 6, are invited to attend this meeting and provide their views as to how any re-launch of this Club should be managed. Refreshments will be provided. The views of the young people are critical to the re-launch of the Youth Group in our Pastoral Area, so their attendance at this meeting is strongly encouraged.

Please direct any enquiries on this matter to Brian Shelley at bonding8@btinternet.com