

St Aidan's Parish

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Office days this week: Monday 29th & Wednesday 31st Jan, & Thursday 1st Feb

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 – 4th, 11th & 18th March.
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 31st Jan

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 28th January 2018

Date	Time	Mass/Service of Communion	Mass intention	Other Services/events	
Sat 27 th Jan	6.00pm	Mass FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 2 nd Collection: Racial Justice	People of the Parish	5.15-5.45pm	Confessions
Sun 28 th Jan	11.00am	Mass	Maureen Jones RIP	12noon	Tea and Coffee in the Hall
Mon 29 th Jan	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Cora Walsh (Sp Int)	9.00am	Rosary
				8.00pm	Parents First Holy Communion Meeting in the Hall
Tues 30 th Jan	9.30am	Mass - Feria	Cora Walsh (Sp Int)	9.00am	Rosary
Wed 31 st Jan	9.30am	Mass – St John Bosco	Josephine Gatter RIP	9.00am	Rosary
Thurs 1 st Feb	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Mary Nelson RIP	9.00am	Rosary
Fri 2 nd Feb	9.30am	Mass – The Presentation of the Lord	Anne Melmoe RIP	9.00am	Rosary
Sat 3 rd Feb	6.00pm	Mass – with involvement of the children	People of the Parish	4.45pm	First Reconciliation in the Church
				5.15-5.45pm	Confessions
Sun 28 th Jan	11.00am	Mass FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	Moira Bennett RIP	12noon	Tea and Coffee in the Hall

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READER TEAM
 Sat 27th: MH PK SL & C; Sun 28th: SA AB JJ & X
 Sat 3rd: AM GM CQ & A; Sun 4th: EW LJ FM & Y

Collection for 20th & 21st Jan: £539.70
Standing orders: £502.00

FR KEN WRITES

We have not held a Christian Passover Supper for several years, but this year it will take place on Friday 23rd February, at 7pm in the parish hall. I hope many of you will book the date and purchase a 'programme'. This will give all the details and cover the cost of a full meal including drinks, and will be £8 for adults and £3 for children.

For those who have not previously experienced such an event I would encourage you to come, as it is a wonderful way of understanding the background to the Mass, as well as being a very enjoyable social event. Families with young people are especially welcome, with a much reduced price for children.

BAPTISM

Baptisms are by appointment after completing a Baptism Preparation Course. The next course will be on 4th, 11th & 18th March, and is open to those families who are expecting as well as those whose babies have already been born. Please sign up by filling in the enquiry form on our parish website:

<http://www.staidanslittlechalfont.co.uk/sacraments-at-st-aidans/baptism/baptism-enquiry-form.php>

CAFOD SUPPORTERS EVENT – ALL WELCOME

If you missed the event this Saturday at St Teresa's in Beaconsfield, there are a couple of other opportunities to come and hear about CAFOD's work in Zimbabwe, our Lent focus country. Deborah Purfield, CAFOD coordinator, will also share her amazing experience from her recent visit to El Salvador:

Saturday 3rd Feb - St Mary's Hall, Aspley Hill, Woburn Sands MK17 8NN

Wednesday 7th Feb - Our Lady Help of Christians, 59 Hollow Way, Cowley, Oxford OX4 2ND

10:15am – 2.30pm (coffee/tea from 10am with shared lunch from 1:30pm). Please book a place - 01844 274724 or northampton@cafod.org.uk.

BISHOP PETER WARMLY INVITES YOU TO.....

the Diocesan Mass for Married Life, on Saturday 3rd March, at The Holy Family Catholic Church, 226 Trelawney Avenue, Langley, Slough, SL3 7UD. Gathering will commence from 11.30am and Mass will follow at 12 noon.

Bishop Peter will give his pastoral blessing to those couples celebrating significant milestones in their marriage i.e 1, 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50 years etc. If you are celebrating such a milestone this year please contact Eamonn & Paola McMorrow on 07412 151517, or at mfl@northamptondiocese.com. All are very welcome to attend. Refreshments available after Mass.

MISSION TO ECUADOR

St Columba's are planning a Mission to Ecuador on 1st to 14th August 2018.

Please see the poster at the back of church or email missionchesham@gmail.com for more information.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Next weekend the children preparing for their First Holy Communion will make their First Confession. Please keep them in your prayers at this important time.

LUX.Be – 2nd – 4th February 2018

The next event planned by the Northampton Youth Ministry Office (NYMO) is next weekend! Lux weekends are a mixture of teaching and fun activities, and are open to anyone aged 11 – 18 years of age. The theme for this year's LUX is 'BE'. We are focussing on just being with God. Further information is on flyers in the narthex and their website:

www.nymo.org or please email info@nymo.org

HELPING OUR PARISHES PASS ON THE FAITH

The Diocese have arranged an event exploring resources to assist parishes in their mission of passing on the Faith. This will be led by David Wills, on Saturday 17th March, from 10am – 4pm at St Teresa's Church Hall, Beaconsfield, HP9 2PL. Please see the booking forms in the narthex for more information, and speak to Fr Ken or contact the office if you would like to attend.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION: MAKE A DIFFERENCE WITH CAFOD

CAFOD really need people to go into our Catholic schools to inspire students to act on their sense of justice. You don't have to be a teacher to do this role, only a passion for CAFOD's work and an ability to communicate well with children and young people. All necessary training, travel expenses and resources will be provided. Please get in touch: northampton@cafod.org.uk or 01844 274 723.