

# St Aidan's Parish

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**Office days this week:**      **Mon 5<sup>th</sup> & Wed 7<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> March**

## 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 – 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> March

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 4<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Date	Time	Mass/Service of Communion	Mass intention	Other Services/events
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	6.00pm	Mass <b>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Coll: Columban Fathers Mission Appeal	People of the Parish	5.15-5.45pm Confessions
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> March	11.00am	Mass – including Rite of Welcome of Baptism Families	Dennis Lloyd RIP	12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall 12noon Baptism Preparation Course
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Mass - Feria	Mary & John Madden RIP	9.00am Rosary
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Cale RIP	9.00am Rosary
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Mass – SS Perpetua & Felicity	Norah Hawley RIP	9.00am Rosary
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Mary Nelson RIP	9.00am Rosary 8.00pm Justice & Peace Group meeting at St Aidan's
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Pat McHugh RIP	9.00am Rosary 10.00am The Way of the Cross 5.00-6.00pm <b>Exposition and Confessions</b>
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> March	6.00pm	Mass <b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	Elizabeth Lally RIP	9.00-10.00am <b>Exposition and Confessions</b> 5.15-5.45pm Confessions
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> March	11.00am	Mass	People of the Parish	12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall 12noon Baptism Preparation Course

<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READER TEAM</b> Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> : PK SL FO & A;      Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> : RS MW EW & Y Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> : AM GM CQ & B;      Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> : SA AB JJ & V	<b>Collection for 24<sup>th</sup> &amp; 25<sup>th</sup> Feb:</b> <b>£570.35</b> <b>Standing orders:</b> <b>£502.00</b> <b>CAFOD Family Fast Day:</b> <b>£890.38</b>
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### FR KEN WRITES

This weekend we welcome Fr Tom Ryan, who will be making the annual Mission Appeal, this year for the Missionary Society of St Columban.

We also welcome several families to our baptism preparation course. Please remember them in your prayers as they take this important step in passing on their faith to their children.

Pope Francis invites us all to take advantage of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** this lent, particularly on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> March. This coincides with the month dedicated to Repentance and Forgiveness in our Year of Prayer and Vocation. The additional time to celebrate God's mercy and love here in the parish will be:

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March: 5.00pm – 6.30pm**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March: 9am – 10am**, both with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

### CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

Thank you so much for supporting CAFOD's Family Fast Day this Lent. Our parish raised **£890.38** to help end hunger and poverty around the world. This will be doubled by the UK government, making a total of **£1,780.76** so that more of our brothers and sisters can live lives free from hunger.

Thank you, and please keep our brothers and sisters in your prayers throughout lent.

### WAY OF THE CROSS

During Lent there will be The Way of the Cross at 10am every Friday in church.

### HELP REQUIRED

A small local charity, [www.greenfingerscharity.org.uk](http://www.greenfingerscharity.org.uk) would like some marshals on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March for their sponsored walk and cycle ride around the Wendover area. If you, or anyone you know, can offer a few hours please contact Mandy: [mandy@greenfingerscharity.org.uk](mailto:mandy@greenfingerscharity.org.uk) or 01494 674749.

### CALLING ALL YOUTH TO FACEBOOK!

An estimated 300 young people from around the world will come to the Vatican from March 19<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> for a week-long conference to prepare for the October meeting of Catholic bishops on issues facing youth today. **But other young people can participate in this meeting via Facebook.** Pope Francis invites young people to participate in this meeting through Facebook groups assuring you that your voices will be heard in Rome. Follow the hashtag **#Synod2018** on Facebook and Twitter and give your feedback, especially on this month's question: "What could Politics and society do for young people?". Let Pope Francis know your wants and needs of the Church. Let him know how this Faith Community can become more relevant to your lives!

### ST PATRICK'S SOCIAL – 16<sup>th</sup> MARCH 7.30pm

Adults £10, Age 12 and under £6.  
 Bacon and cabbage, Fish or Sausage and Chips or Vegetarian. PLEASE INDICATE YOUR FOOD CHOICE ON THE SIGN-UP LIST. BRING YOUR DRINK AND GLASSES. Sign up list is now in the Narthex.

If you can't make Friday, **St Columba's are celebrating on Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup>**, from 7.30-11.30pm, at Our Lady's School, in aid of the Ecuador earthquake appeal. Please see the poster in the narthex and contact Federica via [federicaali20@gmail.com](mailto:federicaali20@gmail.com) or text/call: 07821 907993.

### DIVINE MERCY RETREAT

On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March there will be a Divine Mercy Retreat, at The Bridgetine Convent, Fulmer Common Road, Iver Heath. Please see the flyer for more information or email [info@divinemercy.org.uk](mailto:info@divinemercy.org.uk)  
 All Welcome

### NATIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

A warm invitation to the first, annual pilgrimage for Catholic men, which will be held on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018, 10.30am -5.30pm. Meet, talk and share the faith with other men; listen to speakers, celebrate confession and Mass, pray for families and for the country; process to the old Abbey grounds for Benediction.  
 We welcome lay and religious, single and married, young and old, fathers and sons. "When England returns to Walsingham, Our Lady will return to England". Pope Leo XIII, 1887.  
 For more information visit [www.catholicman.co.uk](http://www.catholicman.co.uk)