

St Aidan's Parish

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Office Days this week: Monday 3rd, Wednesday 5th & Thursday 6th December

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.

If you would like something included in the newsletter, please email the office. Deadline for next week: Wed 5th Dec

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 2nd DECEMBER 2018

Date	Time	Mass/Service of Communion	Mass intention	Other Services/events	
Sat 1 st Dec	6.00pm	Mass FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	People of the Parish	4.00-6.00pm 5.15-5.45pm	Confirmation class in the Hall Confessions
Sun 2 nd Dec	11.00am	Mass	Israele Corsini RIP	12noon 12noon	Nativity rehearsal in Church Tea and Coffee in the Hall
Mon 3 rd Dec	9.30am	Mass – St Francis Xavier	Mary Nelson RIP	9.00am 6.00-7.00pm	Rosary Guide and Scout Carol Service followed by refreshments in the Hall
Tues 4 th Dec	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Mary Nelson RIP	9.00am 9.30am	Rosary Toddler Group in the Hall
Wed 5 th Dec	9.30am	Mass – St Birinus	Morgan Pinder RIP	9.00am	Rosary
Thurs 6 th Dec	9.30am	Mass – Feria		9.00am	Rosary
Friday 7 th Dec	9.30am	Mass – St Ambrose	Mary Nelson RIP	9.00am 10.00am	Rosary Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 8 th Dec	9.30 am 6.00pm	Mass – Immaculate Conception of Our Lady Mass SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	People of the Parish	4.00-6.00pm 5.15-5.45pm 3.30 – 10pm 10.00am 12noon 12.30pm	Confirmation class in the Hall Confessions Youth Walk London '18 Nativity rehearsal in Church Tea and Coffee in the Hall Baptism of Annabelle Adams
Sun 9 th Dec	11.00am	Mass	Margaret Kay RIP		

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READER TEAM
 Sat 1st: PA LH BR & D; Sun 2nd: SA LJ JJ & V
 Sat 8th: KC SuH MH & A; Sun 9th: FM RS EW & W

CHRISTMAS EVE NATIVITY

Calling all actors! This weekend is your last chance to sign up! Any children of primary school age who wish to dress up and act, and any older children and teenagers who wish to be narrators for our nativity during the first Mass of Christmas (Christmas Eve 6.00pm), please come to the first rehearsal after Mass this Sunday 2nd December.

Further rehearsals will be on Sunday 9th December at 10.00am, Sunday 16th December after Mass and Sunday 23rd December at 10.00am. Parents will need to stay with their children during rehearsals. All costumes will be provided.

BOOKING OPEN! Youth Walk London'18

Saturday 8th December, 3.30pm to 10.00pm. You're 13-18? Join the Youth Group going for a nice "London by night" walk. Discover London as you've never seen it, enjoy a nice time with friends, have dinner on the go, enjoy the Christmas Lights and many other surprises... Finishing with a visit to NightFever @ St Patrick's Church. Moreover, this event is totally free. Limited availability, so book early via our parish website.



A CHRISTMAS JOURNEY

Join the Parishes of St Columba and The Immaculate Heart of Mary for *A Christmas Journey* - an evening of music and readings. Saturday 15th December at 8.00pm, St Columba's Church, Chesham. Adult £8, Child £5, Family £16. Tickets available from Parish Secretaries: parishsecstcolumba@gmail.com or ihmparishsecretary@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS ECUMENICAL EVENTS

This year the Little Chalfont Carols on the Green will be on Saturday 15th December from 11am, and will be accompanied by a Brass Band. The event will be led by Rt Rev'd John Went and Rev'd David Whale, the newly appointed Rector of St. Michael's Chenies and St. George's. The Epilepsy Centre Christmas Celebration will be on Wednesday 12th December at 2pm. All welcome.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

The Diocese of Northampton is first for the Dowry Tour of Our Lady of Walsingham in 2019! Thursday February 7th to Saturday February 9th 2019 in the Cathedral Church of Our Lady & St. Thomas. Further details to follow.

Collection for 24th & 25th November: £639.38
Standing orders: £480.00
2nd Coll: Catholic Youth Services: £217.41

ST AIDAN'S CHRISTMAS GRAND DRAW

Results of the Grand Draw are as follows:
 1st Prize £200 - Ticket 01409 - Tom Kehoe
 2nd Prize £100 - Ticket 01709 - Geoff Reed
 3rd Prize £75 - Ticket 00754 - Mary Janes



4th Prize £50 John Lewis Gift Card - Ticket 02739 - Sophie Henry
 5th Prize £25 M&S Gift Card - Ticket 02293 - Salvie Schlenzig

Money Raised on Grand Draw £1400. Money Raised on Sale of Fancy Goods £84. Money Raised on Sale of Christmas Cakes £60. **Total Money Raised £1544.00.**
Many thanks for all your support.

GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree is now in the narthex for the start of Advent. Your generosity for those less fortunate will be much appreciated. Please take a label from the tree and, when you have obtained the item on it, wrap as a Christmas gift and stick the label on it so it can be seen what is in the parcel. Please return all gifts to the boxes provided in the narthex, **by Sunday 16th December**. All gifts will go to NOAH - Centre for the homeless in Luton. Thank you so much.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Have you considered being a Support Worker? Full or part time work available for a Female Support Worker to Support three young ladies with Special Needs living locally. Please contact Arthur Green - MENCAP - for information regarding job description, salary, hours etc. on - 07951410540, or arthur.green@mencap.org

OUR LADY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

On the 7th December, the School will be celebrating our feast day, The Immaculate Conception. We will begin the day with Mass in the school hall. Each class will then have several activities throughout the day related to Our Mother, Mary. If you have any time to spare during the day (even just a few hours), we would like to invite you to come along and join in our celebrations. There will be a variety of activities including making bookmarks, rosaries and paper statues of Mary and some prayer sessions. If you wish to stay for lunch you would be very welcome. If you would like to join us please contact the school office on 01494 726390 before the 7th December. We look forward to welcoming you to our outstanding school.

