

St Aidan's Parish

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Office Days this week: Thursday 31st October
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: 3rd, 10th & 17th November.

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 30th Oct

THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 27th OCTOBER 2019

Date	Time	Mass/Service of Communion	Mass intention	Other Services/events
Sat 26 th Oct	6.00pm	Mass THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	People of the Parish	5.15-5.45pm Confessions
Sun 27 th Oct	11.00am	Mass	Mary Nelson RIP	12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall 1.00pm Parish Lunch in the Hall
Mon 28 th Oct	9.30am	Mass – SS Simon & Jude	Breda Banning RIP	9.00am Rosary
Tues 29 th Oct	9.30am	Communion Service – Feria		9.00am Rosary
Wed 30 th Oct	9.30am	Mass - Feria	Norah Hawley RIP	9.00am Rosary 8.00pm Justice & Peace Meeting in the Presbytery
Thurs 31 st Oct	9.30am	Mass - Feria	Peter Thompson RIP	9.00am Rosary
Fri 1 st Nov	9.30am	Mass – All Saints	Willie Fahy (Sp Int)	9.00am Rosary 10.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	8.00pm	Mass – All Saints	People of the Parish	HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
Sat 2 nd Nov	9.30am	Mass – All Souls Day	The faithful departed	
	6.00pm	Mass – Thirty-First Sunday of the Year	People of the Parish	5.15-5.45pm Confessions
Sun 3 rd Nov	11.00am	Mass – Thirty-First Sunday of the Year	Peggy Jordan RIP	12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall 12noon Baptism Preparation Course

FR KEN WRITES – A REPEAT NOTICE

Our Bishops have called 2020 to be a celebration of the Word of God throughout our parishes, communities and schools, with the year formally beginning in Advent 2019. Bishop Peter has described the purpose of the year in these words: "At heart, we want to help everyone be prepared to hear the word of God proclaimed in the liturgy", and each parish is asked to commit themselves to training/refreshing those who proclaim the scriptures in the liturgy this Autumn.

For this reason here at St Aidan's Deacon Peter will be running two sessions for all readers. They will be on Thursday 14th November 10.00am – 11.30am, and Thursday 21st November 7.30pm – 9.00pm in the parish hall. **The same content will be covered in both so you should only attend the one which is most convenient for you.** Anyone who is thinking about becoming a reader is also urged to attend.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READER TEAM

Sat 26th: SuH AM GM & A; Sun 27th: SA LJ EW & V
 Sat 2nd: PA MH BR & C; Sun 3rd: AB FM MW & W

Collection for 19th & 20th October: £666.88
 Standing orders: £480.00
 2nd Collection: World Mission Sunday: £347.95

FIRE MARSHALS NEEDED!

The diocese has advised us that we need a plan in place in case of a fire alarm in the church during Mass, and fire marshals who would be willing to direct an evacuation. It would involve directing parishioners to the fire assembly point (the garden outside the Hall), helping those with reduced mobility, and if safe to do so checking the building is empty before leaving. A short training session will be arranged for those who come forward. Our hope is that there will be no rota, simply enough people who have been trained that there will always be someone present if the need arose. Please email the office if you can help. Thanks to those of you who have already volunteered.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE

Before a baptism at St Aidan's we require the parents to attend a preparation course, which consists of 3 sessions of approximately 1 hour which take place on consecutive weeks immediately after the 11am Sunday Mass. **The next course will be on 3rd, 10th and 17th November 2019. This week is your last chance to sign up.** After this the next course will not be until March 2020 so if you are currently expecting a baby please consider whether this course would suit you better than one after your child has been born. To register for a baptism course, please fill out the Baptism Enquiry Form below on our website: <http://www.staidanslittlechalfont.co.uk/sacraments-at-st-aidans/baptism/>

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Thank you very much for your contribution to last week's collection, which raised £347.95. Your prayers and donations will help missionaries work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief.



CONFIRMATION 2020

Registration is now open for children in Year 9 or above. **The deadline for registration is Thursday 31st October 2019.** Please find the online registration link on the Parish website: <http://www.staidanslittlechalfont.co.uk/sacraments-at-st-aidans/confirmation/>
 Prospective candidates should also hand write a letter to Fr Ken as to why they wish to be confirmed.

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Those who wish to have the names of their deceased relatives and friends read out at weekday Masses please take an envelope and form from the box in the narthex and return once completed.

OFFICE HOURS

This week is half term and so the office will only be open on Thursday 31st October.

FAIRTRADE STALL

The Justice & Peace group at St Aidan's will have a Fairtrade stall in the hall during coffee after Mass this Sunday, as it is part of CAFOD's aims to promote Fairtrade products to our parishioners. Orders can be taken if you require larger quantities or cannot find what you are looking for.

DAY OF REFLECTION – SAVE THE DATE

There will be a day of reflection, inspiration and prayer for all those who minister to the sick, on 9th November, 10.00am – 3.00pm, at Christ the King Church, Milton Keynes. Eucharistic ministers, members of the SVP and any parishioners with an interest are invited to attend. More information next week.