

St Aidan's Parish

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Office Days this week: Monday 20th, Wednesday 22nd (lunchtime only) & Thursday 23rd January

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: 8th, 15th & 22nd March 2020.

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 22nd Jan

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 19th JANUARY 2020

Date	Time	Mass/Service of Communion	Mass intention	Other Services/events
Sat 18 th Jan	6.00pm	Mass SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 2 nd Collection: CAFOD crisis Appeal	People of the Parish	5.15-5.45pm Confessions Beginning of the week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18 th - 25 th January 2020
Sun 19 th Jan	11.00am	Mass	Kevin Kelly RIP	12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall 1.00pm Parish Lunch in the Hall
Mon 20 th Jan	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Cora Walsh (Sp Int)	9.00am Rosary
Tues 21 st Jan	9.30am	Mass – St Agnes	Gerry Fitchl RIP	9.00am Rosary 4.00pm Churches Together Meeting at St George's Church
Wed 22 nd Jan	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Warwick RIP	9.00am Rosary 8.00pm Justice & Peace meeting in the Presbytery
Thurs 23 rd Jan	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Mary Nelson RIP	9.00am Rosary 7.30pm Project Oasis meeting in the Hall.
Fri 24 th Jan	9.30am	Mass – St Francis de Sales	Imelda Moore RIP	9.00am Rosary
Sat 25 th Jan	6.00pm	Mass THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	People of the Parish	5.15-5.45pm Confessions
Sun 26 th Jan	11.00am	Mass	Cora Walsh (Sp Int)	12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall

FR KEN WRITES

Some of you may like to come to the meeting on Thursday, Project OASIS, to discuss the possibility of welcoming refugees in our area.

This week we pray for unity of all Christians; that we may be a sign of God's love.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READER TEAM

Sat 18th: MH PK MW & D; Sun 19th: AB JJ FM & W
 Sat 25th: AM GM SL & C; Sun 26th: SA JH EW & Y

Collection for 11th & 12th January: £495.01
 Standing orders: £480.00

PROJECT OASIS

There are enormous numbers of refugees in the Middle East displaced from the war in Syria. Most want to go home eventually, but for a small number (translators etc) the Middle East will never be a safe place for them to live. Project OASIS aims for local communities to support individual families to settle in the UK. Through project OASIS the Parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary in Great Missenden have recently welcomed and settled a refugee family in Chesham. There will be a meeting on Thursday 23rd January at 7.30pm to discuss the possible involvement of St Aidan's in this refugee project. All those who are interested in hearing more about this initiative are invited to attend this meeting. Could you please let the Parish Office know if you are planning to attend so we have an idea of numbers. Many thanks

REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means 'rediscovery'. It is a programme that offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10s of 1000s of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. There is no group therapy or group work.

For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the programme commencing with a residential weekend on 28th Feb to 1st March call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443, or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com

For more information see the posters and flyers or go to www.retrouvaille.org.uk

CAFOD APPEAL

More than half the population of Zimbabwe are affected by drought and food shortages, and this January CAFOD have launched an appeal to help support their response to this crisis. For more information please go to www.cafod.org.uk/foodcrisisappeal



This weekend the second collection is to raise funds for this appeal. If you are a UK taxpayer please use a CAFOD envelope so your donation can be gift aided.

CHRISTIAN UNITY

Chess Valley Churches Together Service of Prayer for Christian Unity will be this Sunday 19th January at 3.00pm at Chenies Baptist Church, with refreshments afterwards. All are welcome.

CATHOLICS BASICS COURSE

Last chance for Catholic Basics "God" on Saturday January 25th at the Diocesan Centre, Luton, LU4 8JD. Come and join us from 10.00am to 3.00pm (arrival from 9.30am for refreshments) for an engaging and informative day with sandwich lunch. For details and booking: Tel 01582 723312 or admin@nores.org.uk

BAPTISM AT ST AIDAN'S

Before a baptism at St Aidan's parents must attend a preparation course, which consists of 3 sessions of approximately 1 hour which take place on consecutive weeks immediately after the 11.00am Sunday Mass. The next course will be on 8th, 15th and 22nd March. If you are 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 on our website:

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

PEACE SUNDAY

This weekend is Peace Sunday. Please pray for peace in our world, and if you would like to make a donation to Pax Christi, the International Catholic Movement for Peace, please go to www.paxchristi.org.uk or take an envelope from the narthex.

LOST PROPERTY

The lost property box in the narthex is full. Please have a look if you think you may have left something at church – glasses, umbrellas, children's coats and jumpers etc. Anything unclaimed will be disposed of at the end of the month.