# St Aidan's Parish Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020

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# FR KEN WRITES

After necessary discussion with those concerned, we hope soon to announce the arrangements for the postponed 2020 First Holy Communion, and also dates for next year's preparation sessions. Hopefully we can gradually return to normal.

Please continue in this month of September to pray for the right use of God's creation, to protect its rich diversity and address the urgent, destructive crises threatening its health and future. This applies especially to climate change, often caused by greed, inequality and destruction of God's earth.

A quote from Pope Francis: "Rivers do not drink their own water; trees do not eat their own fruit; the sun does not shine on itself and flowers do not spread their fragrance for themselves. Living for others is a rule of nature. We are all born to help each other. No matter how difficult it is..... Life is good when you are happy; but much better when others are happy because of you".

### PRE-BOOKING YOUR PLACE AT MASS

During September if you would like a space at Mass then booking requests must be emailed by 9am on Thursday for the coming weekend. If there are more requests than spaces then places will NOT be allocated on a first-come first-served basis. Instead Louise will look back at attendance over the previous few weeks to make sure everyone has a fair chance to attend. If you do not have access to email then you can request a place by ringing Fr Ken (within the same timeframe) and Louise will call you back to confirm if you have a space.

More information is on the front page of our website. If you did not receive an email then please fill in a registration form via our website to be added to our mailing list: https://www.staidanslittlechalfont.co.uk/contact-us/

#### **ENCOUNTERS**

We have run out of copies of Fr Ken's little booklet, 'Encounters', but more have been ordered and they should be available in a week or so.

## **DIARY**

Date	Time		Mass Intention
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	6.00pm	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY	People of the Parish
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	11.00am	OF THE YEAR	Adrian Anderson RIP
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Private	Feria	Liesel Berger RIP
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Private	Nativity of the BVM	Siobhan Clinton RIP
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Private	Feria	Albert Lucas RIP
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Private	Feria	Sister Margaret Buckley RIP
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Private	Feria	Mary Nelson RIP
Saturday12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	6.00pm	TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY	People of the Parish
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	11.00am	OF THE YEAR	Terri Lucas RIP

## **DIOCESAN NEWS**

### **DIOCESAN ONLINE WEBINARS – ALL WELCOME**

On 5th August Pope Francis called on the Church to reflect on our current situation. In response, the diocesan Pastoral Ministry Office is hosting a series of online webinars on Monday evenings through the autumn. We begin on 21<sup>st</sup> September with Bishop David reflecting on the last six months, and posing some key questions as we go forward. Other topics include reaching out to the needy, building community, prayer and spirituality, and catechesis. The webinars are free to attend, but you will need to register to receive the web link. For more information and to register, please go to: <a href="https://postlockdownchurch.eventbrite.co.uk">https://postlockdownchurch.eventbrite.co.uk</a>

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