

St Aidan's Parish

Sunday 4th October 2020

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FR KEN WRITES

"The tragedy we are experiencing at this time summons us to take seriously the things that are serious, and not to be caught up in those that matter less; **to rediscover that life is of no use if not used to serve others. For life is measured by love**" (Pope Francis)

PRE-BOOKING YOUR PLACE AT MASS

Thank you to all who have been using our pre-booking system. After being allocated a space, if you realise you will be unable to attend please call Fr Ken so he can cross you off the list. This will ensure the stewards can offer the space to someone else.

So far, everyone who has pre-booked has been allocated the spaces they requested. However, on several occasions this has meant a full church and so those who have turned up without a pre-booked spot have been unable to come in. We would please urge everyone to pre-book if you can, as this makes things much easier for our stewards. Thank you.

If you would like to return to St Aidan's and have not already done so then please go to the front page of our website where you can find further information on how to book:

<https://www.staidanslittlechalfont.co.uk/>

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Next weekend our parish will be marking CAFOD's Family Fast Day to help people facing the worst of the coronavirus crisis. We've all felt the impact of this terrible disease – let's come together to help the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world *survive, rebuild and heal*. Please pray especially for those affected. Envelopes will be available next weekend as you enter the church, and can be handed back at the same time as your weekly offering as you leave at the end of Mass. If you have not yet returned to Mass at St Aidan's then you can donate online at www.cafod.org.uk/give Thank you.

DIARY

Date	Time		Mass Intention
Saturday 3 rd October	6.00pm	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	Charles Rich RIP
Sunday 4 th October	11.00am		People of the Parish
Monday 5 th October	Private	Feria	Lowe Family (Sp Int)
Tuesday 6 th October	Private	Feria	Mary Nelson RIP
Wednesday 7 th October	Private	Our Lady of the Rosary	Terri Albert Lucas RIP
Thursday 8 th October	Private	Feria	Edwin & Antionette Zrinzo RIP
Friday 9 th October	Private	Feria	Maura Sweeney RIP
Saturday 10 th October	6.00pm	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	John Jackson RIP
Sunday 11 th October	11.00am		People of the Parish

DIOCESAN TALKS 'ONLINE'

Exploring the Post-Lockdown Church – Monday webinars, Pastoral Ministry Office

Week 3: This week we are very lucky to have Francis Davis, Professor of Religion, Community and Public Policy, speaking on Making it real, a parish for the poor. As Francis has also been involved in starting over 40 social enterprises, he's got a lot of practical knowledge to share about getting parish projects off the ground. The talk would be of interest to anyone involved in the SVP, homeless outreach or any other kind of pastoral project. Please go to <http://postlockdownchurch.eventbrite.co.uk> for more information and to register.

Meanwhile, last last week's talk on faith sharing from Brenden Thompson at Catholic Voices is now available to watch on youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tscj1eAP4KY&feature=youtu.be> It is an excellent, very accessible and encouraging talk.

WYCOMBE HOMELESS CONNECTION

The Wycombe homeless connection supports people in housing crisis across Buckinghamshire. Every year they run a 'Big Sleepout', which is a chance for the community to act in solidarity with the homeless and raise money for their work. This year the Big Sleepout will be 'At Home', so it's easier than ever to join in. You can sleep in your garden, your bath, or anywhere you wouldn't normally sleep! More information can be found at www.wyhoc.org.uk/bigsleepout2020

STELLA MARIS CENTENARY MASS

This year Stella Maris (formerly known as Apostleship of the Sea) is celebrating 100 years of its support to seafarers, fishers, and their families. To mark the beginning of their centenary year they will be holding a live-streamed Mass celebrated by Archbishop Philip Tartaglia of Glasgow. All are invited to join them online to share in this very special celebration on Sunday 4th October at 3.00pm. The Mass will be streamed live at www.stellamaris.org.uk/centenarymass

THE GOD WHO SPEAKS – GOOD NEWS FOR BAD TIMES

You are invited to join the inspirational Fr Nick King SJ for 3 free webinars in October: 7th Evangelisation, 14th Discipleship, 21st Fellowship. More information can be found at <https://www.holyinnocentsorpington.org/> and you can register at orpington@rcaos.org.uk