



# St Aidan's Parish

## Friday 25<sup>th</sup> December 2020

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### *FR KEN WRITES*

It is with great sadness that we are all unable to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour in the usual way this year. However, hopefully, it will challenge us to see more clearly how important hospitality, care for one another and personal prayer are in all our lives. So, with that thought in mind I wish you all peace of mind and great joy and love.

### **MOPSA**

Every year at St Aidan's, the collections at the Christmas Masses are donated to the Missionaries of the Poor Supporters Association (MoPSA). This year there will be no public celebration of Mass at St Aidan's, but if you would still like to make a donation then please post a cheque made payable to 'MoPSA' through the presbytery door. Thank you. To find out more about the Missionaries of the Poor, and MoPSA, go to: [www.mopsa.org.uk](http://www.mopsa.org.uk)

### **TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF ST AIDAN'S, AND LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES**

As you are no doubt already aware, Buckinghamshire moved into a new Tier 4 of coronavirus restrictions on 20<sup>th</sup> December. Case numbers in Buckinghamshire are high and rising fast, and we need to keep Fr Ken and our parishioners safe at this time. After discussions with several parishioners, including Deacon David and the chair of our parish council, we have made the sad decision that St Aidan's should close to the public until further notice.

We will regularly review the decision to close, and will re-open as soon as we think it is safe to do so.

We now have the technology in place to live-stream. We will be broadcasting via our website at 8.00am on Christmas morning, and at 11.00am every Sunday, so we hope you will be able to tune in and 'attend' Mass from your homes. Once recorded the Masses remain available to view, so you can watch at a time to suit you. Please go to [www.staidanslittlechalfont.co.uk](http://www.staidanslittlechalfont.co.uk) to view a Mass.

### **OFFICE CLOSED**

Louise is now on annual leave until Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, and the office is closed. The next newsletter will be published on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January.

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## MASS DIARY

Date	Private Mass	Mass Intention
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST</b> <b>8.00am – Live Stream</b>	People of the Parish
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> December	St Stephen	
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>THE HOLY FAMILY</b> <b>11.00am – Live Stream</b>	People of the Parish
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> December	The Holy Innocents	Manuel & Julieta Castelino RIP
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> December	St Thomas Becket	Mary Nelson RIP
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> December	Sixth Day of Christmas Octave	
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> December	Seventh Day of Christmas Octave	De Costa family (Sp Int)
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> January	Mary, Mother of God	
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	SS Basil the Great & Gregory Mazianzen	
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	<b>SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS</b> <b>11.00AM – Live Stream</b>	Abina & Cornelius Lehane RIP
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Feria	
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Feria	
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Epiphany of the Lord	
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Feria	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Feria	

### APPLE JUICE FOR CHRISTMAS!

Some have been asking about 'Anthony's Apple Juice' that Dcn John & Mary sold in the Hall after the 11.00am Mass. Thanks to a bumper crop and generous providers of apples they now have new stock which is available at £3 a bottle or 4 for £10. All profit goes to the Thames Valley Air Ambulance who rescued Anthony in 2011. Contact Mary on 01494 726931 or [mscrowshaw@gmail.com](mailto:mscrowshaw@gmail.com) if you would like some. Collection or delivery can be arranged. They also have potatoes from their allotment!

### LUX.Valour! ONLINE

Calling all young people aged 11-18!

On Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021, we can all come together online for LUX.Valour! During our LUX.Valour weekend, we will be exploring what it means to be a young person of great bravery. How we can walk into the unknown of this New Year, confident that we are “not given a spirit of fear, but a spirit of power.” 2 Timothy 1:7. Let’s discover what God-given courage feels like and how we can learn to be Warriors when we are struggling. As the Psalmist said: “In Your strength I can crush an army. With my God I can scale any wall.” Psalm 18:29

Although we will be online for our Lux.Valour Weekend, there will still be amazing talks, fun small groups, moving times of prayer, ridiculous games and a theme night and all completely free!

For more information please go to: <https://nymo.org/lux-valour/> or contact NYMO at [info@nymo.org](mailto:info@nymo.org)