

# St Aidan's Parish

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2021

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### FR KEN WRITES

Lent begins next Wednesday and the 11.00am Mass will be streamed and recorded. We may feel that we have experienced a Lent over the past year with all the restrictions caused by the pandemic. However, perhaps we can make these next few weeks a time of joyful following in the way of the Lord and really living out his death and resurrection in our daily lives. Prayer, fasting and alms giving, like washing, getting dressed and eating should be an essential part of being human and a preparation for our own final leap over to the next life at the moment of our death.

So, have a good Lent, leading up to the celebration of the Lords resurrection at Easter. God bless you all.

### MONA DURKIN FUNERAL

Mona's family wish to let parishioners know that her funeral will be live streamed from St Benedict's Abbey Church, Ealing, at 11.00am on the 1<sup>st</sup> March.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021

Preparation for those children in year 3 or above would usually have commenced by now. However, we have decided to postpone for the time being. We will open registration later this year, in late spring or early summer, depending on restrictions at the time. Watch this space!

### MASS DIARY

While local coronavirus cases are high and the hospitals still under severe strain, Fr Ken will be saying Mass privately. We will not be opening on Ash Wednesday as previously hoped; instead we will wait until the government announcement on 22<sup>nd</sup> February before reviewing again. On Ash Wednesday and Sundays the Mass will be live-streamed, and the link to view is on the home page of our website. You can either join live or come back later and watch the recording.

Date	Private Mass	Mass Intention
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR <b>11.00AM – LIVE STREAM</b>	People of the Parish
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	Feria	Josephine Gatter RIP
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	Feria	Brewer RIP
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	ASH WEDNESDAY <b>11.00AM – LIVE STREAM</b>	Fr Bustin RIP
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	Feria	Camille Rowland RIP
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Feria	Janice McNaughton RIP
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Feria	People of the Parish
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT <b>11.00AM – LIVE STREAM</b>	Nolan & Tom Lehane RIP

## **LENT 2021**

There are many excellent resources to help us pray in Lent, both online and printed. In the Pastoral Area we're planning:

Knowing Jesus online retreat from the Glasgow Jesuits <https://www.iscglasgow.co.uk/lent2021.html> and <https://www.onlineprayer.net/> with free daily emails from Ash Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> February to the First Sunday of Easter, 11<sup>th</sup> April. The themes will link with the BBC Radio 4 Daily Service. Joanna Hale [jchale@earthling.net](mailto:jchale@earthling.net) offers a weekday Zoom for this at 7.45am, Monday to Friday and will add a weekly reflection if participants would like them.

Journeying with Jesus with Fr Denis McBride. Seven weekly biblical themes for reflection. Christine Cornwell [mccornwell@gmail.com](mailto:mccornwell@gmail.com) offers a weekly Zoom on Tuesdays 10.30am -11.15am from 23<sup>rd</sup> February to 6<sup>th</sup> March.

If you'd like to join one of these groups, please go to [https://www.stjosephs.org.uk/Lent Reflections](https://www.stjosephs.org.uk/Lent_Reflections) to register.

There are all sorts of ideas for Lent at <https://pastoralministryoffice.org/home-copy/growing-in-faith/parish-resources/lent-resources/>

David Whale has organised a Lent Course for the Chenies Benefice and he is happy for anyone to join in on Zoom. The Course will last for 8 weeks and will be on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm starting on the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021. The evening will start by watching a video then go into small groups of 5 - 8 for discussion followed by another video session. If you require more information please contact David on 01923 286131.

## **WOMENS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

Due the pandemic there will be no WWDP service this year. St Aidan's will host in March 2022.

## **LITTLE CHALFONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

The latest newsletter and a Covid-19 leaflet will not be printed and delivered by hand on this occasion due to the pandemic. You can find electronic copies on their website: [www. http://www.littlechalfont.org.uk/](http://www.littlechalfont.org.uk/)