## OUR LADY'S, Chesham Bois & St. AIDAN'S, Little Chalfont

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## Newsletter, Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2025 C

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Our Lady's, Chesham Bois, 30 Amersham Road, HP6 5PE			St. Aidan, Little Chalfont, Finch Lane, HP7 9NE		
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> July	5.00pm Vig	gil Mass	Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> July	6.15pm	Vigil Mass
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am Pai	rish Mass	Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am	Polish Mass
	12.00pm Lat	tin Mass		11.00am	Parish Mass
Tue 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	9.30am <b>(St</b>	t. Mary Magdalene)	Mon 21st July	9.30am	Feria
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am Add	oration	Thu 24 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30am	Feria
	9.30am Holy	y Eucharist <b>(St. James, Apostle)</b>	Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> July	6.30pm	Adoration
Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> July	5.00pm Vigi	il Mass		7.00pm	Holy Eucharist <b>(St. James)</b>
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am 17 <sup>t</sup>	<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> July	6.15pm	Vigil Mass
			Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> July	11.00am	17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Adoration: 9.00am – 9.30am			Adoration: 6.30pm -7.00pm		
Confessions: Tuesday & Friday after Mass			Confessions: Saturday after Mass		
Mass Intentions: Sat (Jennifer Podesta), Sun (Ray Wilbers RIP), Tue (Joe Galway RIP), Fri (Brice Leonard Joseph RIP)			Mass Intentions: Sat (Adrian Hawley RIP), Sun (John & Graham Bastin), Mon (Mary Philpott), Thu (Sean Henegan RIP), Fri (Philipa Golding RIP)		

**Parish Volunteers Party:** This *Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 1.00pm,* I would like to invite all the volunteers from both Churches at St. Aidan's Garden for a small get-together. It is to recognise and appreciate the hard work you all do throughout the year in our Churches. May I request all the volunteers to consider this as a personal invitation and keep the afternoon free.

**Alice Salczynska** will do a short presentation at St. Aidan's this *Sunday* after Mass about her volunteer trip to *Fiji* in 2024. There are interesting slides and videos to watch.

**Fifth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly:** *Sunday, 27th July:* Since its establishment in 2021, this special day has become rooted in the life of the Church, growing in meaning and importance each year. This year's theme, "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (cf. Sir 14:2), echoes the spirit of the *Jubilee of Hope* and reminds us of the powerful witness offered by older generations through their faith, resilience, and enduring love. No longer seen merely as recipients of care, grandparents and the elderly are now rightly recognised as active contributors to the Church's mission—guardians of memory, transmitters of wisdom, and steadfast examples of hope. We shall listen to Pope Leo's Message, which will be read out during Mass.

**First Communion Programme 2025-26:** Parents, who wish to admit their children to the First Communion Classes, please take note, your child must be *seven years old, or in Year 3 and above.* The preparation classes at **Our Lady's** will commence from *Saturday 20th September 2025,* with the parents meeting. *The First Communion Mass* will be on *Saturday 16th May 2026, 12.00pm* The preparation classes at **St. Aidan's** will be starting on *Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2025,* with the parents meeting. *The First Communion Mass* will be on *Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2026, 11.am.* Admission is open from the first week of August. Kindly send an email to the parish office with Child's name and a copy of the baptism certificate.

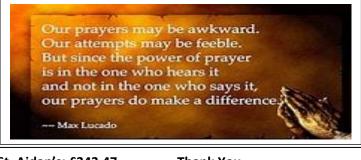
**Chiltern Foodbank:** List of items for **July:** *UHT Milk, Long Life Fruit Juice, Rice, Tinned Sweetcorn, Sponge Puddings.* We are very short of bags for life, if any of your parishioners can spare a few, we would very much appreciate it"

**Accommodation:** A friend of *Tina Smith* (parishioner at St Aidan's) is looking for accommodation. She is a retired professional lady seeking accommodation locally to rent. Self-contained annexe, bills incl. References available if required. Long term let would be preferable. Please contact Tina Smith <u>chalfontsmith@aol.com</u> or **07710400126** 

**Baptism:** Congratulations to *Isaac and Leo Smyth* who will be baptised on this *Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> July* at Our Lady's by *Dn. Gerard.* We wish them and their parents, *Christina and Paul,* every blessing as they begin their Christian journey together.

Our Pastoral Area is organising a *Pilgrimage to St. Peter's in Marlow* (SL7 1NQ) which has been designated by Bishop David as a place of pilgrimage during this holy Jubilee Year. It will take place on *Friday 25 July* from **11***am until 2pm* and will include a time for prayer, the opportunity for confession, a talk by *Canon John Udris* and a picnic (bring your own) by the river. All are welcome. Car sharing is encouraged as parking at the church is limited.

Tap & Go Collection Last Week at OL: £235.00, SA: £65.00



Offertory Collection Last Week: Our Lady's: £327.50 Standing Order: £361.00

St. Aidan's: £343.47 Standing Order: £797.00 Thank You