

St Aidan's Parish

Fourth Sunday of Easter - 25th April 2021

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FR KEN WRITES

Fr Paul, of the Missionaries of the Poor in Nairobi has just written to us as follows: *"Happy Easter. Thank you so much for the £7,000 you sent for the expenses of the clinic. It is a great blessing for the poor from the community to have the free clinic. Let's hope and pray that everything will go well in the future. God bless you all for your constant support"*.

We will soon be welcoming Fr Roy, who will take over as priest in charge of both Our Lady's, Chesham Bois, and St Aidan's, living at Our Lady's. He will take up his post as from the 18th May, after which date he is very anxious to meet with our parish council, finance group and catechists. A date for this, and others welcome, will be announced soon. I am sure you will give him a warm welcome as he settles into our two parishes.

We must also put on record our profound gratitude to Louise, our retiring secretary, who has done such efficient and admirable work over the past 6 years. Thank you Louise.

MESSAGE FROM LOUISE

As I am sure you have read in previous newsletters, I am leaving St Aidan's to take up a new job elsewhere, and my last day will be Wednesday 28th April.

Ala Dabrowska will be starting as parish secretary/administrator this coming Monday 26th April, and she will take over the parish email address. If you wish to speak to Ala please call the office on 01494 763518, as the mobile number will not be transferred.

BOOKING YOUR SPACE AT MASS

St Aidan's is now open for the public celebration of Mass on Saturday at 6.00pm and Sunday at 11.00am. Social distancing restrictions mean the capacity of our church is hugely reduced, and so if you would like to attend you must pre-book your space. Please go to www.staidanslittlechalfont.co.uk and follow the instructions on the front page. Do not try and attend without a pre-booked space as it is unlikely there will be room for you in the church

PASTORAL AREA NEWS:

Bishop David has decided to amalgamate the two pastoral areas of South Bucks and Chilterns into one larger area. The new Pastoral Area (PA) is made up of ten parishes and the Dean is Mgr Seán Healy, Parish Priest of St Teresa's, Beaconsfield. The combined PA Councils are to meet shortly to see how we can further the mission of the Church in this part of the Diocese.

MASS DIARY

The diary below details the Masses which 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	Time	Mass	Mass Intention
Saturday 24 th April	6.00pm	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Ray Parsons RIP
Sunday 25 th April	11.00am	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER LIVE STREAM	Johnny Jordan RIP
Monday 26 th April	Private	Feria	
Tuesday 27 th April	Private	Feria	James & Bridget Heneghan RIP
Wednesday 28 th April	Private	Feria	
Thursday 29 th April	Private	St Catherine of Siena	People of the Parish
Friday 30 th April	Private	Feria	
Saturday 1 st May	6.00pm	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	James O'Connor RIP
Sunday 2 nd May	11.00am	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER LIVE STREAM	People of the Parish

DIOCESAN SUMMER WEBINAR

Monday 26th April, 7.30pm. Diocesan Summer Webinar: Divine Renovation Week 2 Rebuild my house. Reflecting on the challenges of parish life, and what some practical responses might be. With Fr David Boyd, parish priest of St Bernadette's parish, Erskine, Paisley. You can find out more and register here: https://readalong_divine_renovation.eventbrite.co.uk

NEWS FROM RESTORE HOPE

Many thanks to all of you who placed an order with us last week for a fresh fruit and vegetable box through our Chess Valley Farm Shop social enterprise initiative. By doing so, you are directly contributing towards the costs of our Restore Hope FoodLife programme. FoodLife delivers fresh fruit and vegetable boxes to local families who are experiencing serious financial, relational and health challenges. So far, we have already purchased over 80,000 portions and have delivered these totally free of charge to the homes of 100's of families who have been severely impacted by the pandemic.

We just wanted to remind you that you can continue to purchase boxes of high-quality fresh fruit, vegetables and salad from us through our online shop. We are able to take orders for next week up until 10.00pm on Sunday evening. Please go to: <https://www.restorehopelatimer.org/farmshop/> for more information.

JOB OPPORTUNITY – deadline extension

Community Worker for Church to Community (C2C) Project at Chesham Methodist Church

Hours: 16 per week. Salary: £10.40 per hour (FTE £20,280)

Length of contract: 3 year fixed term but it is hoped that it may be extended subject to finance. Start date: to be agreed

A Community Worker is needed for the C2C Project at Chesham Methodist Church, to reach out to the community with the love of Jesus Christ by facilitating a range of projects to meet the physical, mental, social and spiritual needs of local people. The role includes facilitating activities to support older people and others, including those living with dementia. Candidates should have experience of organising activities and/or events and of working with older people. A requirement for the candidate to be a practising Christian is an Occupational Requirement for this role in accordance with the Equality Act 2010.

For an application pack please email Lu Gigg on amcircuitmethodist@gmail.com The deadline for applications has now been extended to Monday 17th May. Interviews will now be held on Friday 28th May.