

St Aidan's Parish

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FR KEN WRITES

In the Gospel this weekend we are clearly asked not to discriminate between deserving and undeserving causes, and in this connection some of you may like to be reminded of Pope Francis recent comments regarding homosexuals. It is worth reading the whole of this statement in the context of which it is written, but I just quote one paragraph:

"Homosexual people have the right to be in a family. You can't kick someone out of a family, nor make their life miserable for this. What we have to have is a civil union law: that way they are legally covered".

This, I would add, is not the same as advocating same sex marriage, which is not approved of by the church as marriage involves the union of a man and a woman.

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Those who wish to have the names of their deceased relatives and friends read out at weekday Masses please submit a list. There are envelopes in the narthex if you are attending Mass in person (please return through Fr Ken's letterbox), or you can submit a list via email.

PRE-BOOKING YOUR PLACE AT MASS

Thank you to all who have been using our pre-booking system. We would please urge everyone to pre-book if you can, as this makes things much easier for our stewards. 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.

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/>

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

On Wednesday 30th September, the parish council held a meeting via zoom. Minutes of the meeting can be found on the parish website.

DIARY

Date	Time		Mass Intention
Saturday 24 th October	6.00pm	THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	Peter Harris RIP
Sunday 25 th October	11.00am		People of the Parish
Monday 26 th October	Private	Feria	Mary Duggan RIP
Tuesday 27 th October	Private	Feria	Mary Nelson RIP
Wednesday 28 th Oct	Private	SS Simon & Jude	
Thursday 29 th October	Private	Feria	
Friday 30 th October	Private	Feria	Marjorie Rich RIP
Saturday 31 st October	6.00pm	ALL SAINTS	People of the Parish
Sunday 1 st November	11.00am		Peggy Jordan RIP

DIOCESAN TALKS 'ONLINE'

Exploring the Post-Lockdown Church

How is it possible to run our sacramental programmes in current circumstances? Can we create community online? And are there new possibilities for catechesis that our current situation opens up? Explore these knotty questions with Veronica Murphy from the Archdiocese of Liverpool and our own Alex Heath. To register and see previous videos in the series, go to <http://formationpathways.co.uk/exploring-the-post-lockdown-church-webinar-series/>.

CONVERSATIONS ON DIOCESAN TALKS

The Diocesan Webinars are raising lots of questions about how we go forward as church in these strange times. We'd love to consider together how this applies to our parish. If you're interested, perhaps just for half an hour a little while after the diocesan session has finished, please join our virtual group on Mondays at 21.15pm. Email Joanna on jchale@earthling.net for the link.

REFLECTION DAY, SATURDAY 14th NOVEMBER

Celebrate all the Carmelite Saints, those known and those unknown, with Fr Matthew Blake OCD on Saturday 14th November. The talks will be available via livestream <https://www.stjosephs.org.uk/Live> at 11.00am and 12.45pm. You're welcome to join the Parish Mass at 10.00am and Adoration 2.00-4.00pm in person at St Joseph's, Gerrards Cross, or via livestream. This day is being run on behalf of the Diocese's Spirituality Network. It is not necessary to register, but we would be grateful for a suggested contribution of £10 towards the cost of the day. It can be sent to NORES at Nat West: Sort code 600611 Account Number: 46738746 Ref: SPIRREFL.

LITTLE CHALFONT COMMUNITY LIBRARY

As a local charity, Little Chalfont Community Library has started a new service to deliver library books to those in the community who are stuck at home due to shielding or because they are house bound. If you think you could benefit from this service, please get in touch with the library either by calling 01494 764602 (during Library opening hours -Tuesday 10-5, Wednesday 1-5, Thursday 10-1, Saturday 10-3) or email littlechalfontlibrary@gmail.com A volunteer will then contact you to discuss favourite authors and arrange a delivery slot.