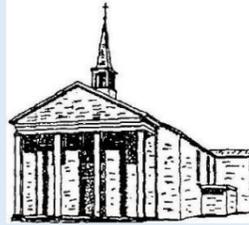


# St Aidan's Parish

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Office days this week: Monday 18<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September

## SACRAMENTS & FUNERALS AT ST AIDAN'S

### BAPTISM

Baptisms are by appointment after completing a Baptism Preparation Course. The next course will be on 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> October after Sunday Mass. Please sign up online: <http://www.staidanslittlechalfont.co.uk/sacraments-at-st-aidans/baptism/>

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The sign-up list for First Holy Communion 2018 has now opened. Please sign up online: <http://www.staidanslittlechalfont.co.uk/sacraments-at-st-aidans/first-holy-communion/>

### CONFIRMATION

Please speak to Brian Gallagher or email the office by the end of October to sign-up.

### WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS

Please speak to Fr Ken before you start making arrangements.

If you would like something included in the newsletter, please email the office. Deadline for next week: Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Sept

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

17<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Date	Time	Mass/Service of Communion	Mass intention	Other Services/events
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	6.00pm	<b>YOUTH Mass</b>  <b>TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: Home Mission Sunday	Valente Lobo RIP	5.15-5.45pm Confessions
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	11.00am	Mass	People of the Parish	12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall 12.30pm Baptism of Ophelia Smith
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Mary Kenderdine RIP	9.00am Rosary
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.30am	Mass – Feria	Charles Rich RIP	9.00am Rosary 8.00pm Pastoral Area Council Meeting at St Aidan's
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.30am	Mass – SS Andrew Kim Taegon	Maurice Cummings (Sp Int)	9.00am Rosary
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept	9.30am	Mass – St Matthew	Ann & Steve Barry (Sp Int)	9.00am Rosary
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	9.30am	Mass - Feria	Des Hughes RIP	9.00am Rosary
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	6.00pm	Mass  <b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	Mike & Mary Allen (Sp Int)	5.15-5.45pm Confessions
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	11.00am	Mass	People of the Parish	12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall 1.00pm Parish Lunch in the Hall

# YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU

There are many, many 'jobs' in the parish, that are increasingly being done by an ever-smaller group of volunteers. Please read the list below, and see if there is something you would like to get involved in. The more help we have, the smaller the burden on any one individual.

### SUNDAY COFFEE

Many of you enjoy stopping for coffee in the parish hall after the Sunday Mass. Are you one of those parishioners? The coffee rota involves setting up the tables and chairs in the Hall before Mass, serving the drinks, and then clearing up afterwards.

### PARISH LUNCH

The monthly parish lunches have been running for years, and make a very valuable contribution to the community aspect of our parish. The Parish Lunch rota involves cooking and serving a 2-course lunch to around 25 parishioners, including setting up the hall beforehand, and clearing away. We are especially short of helpers to assist with the serving and washing up.

### VACANCIES ON THE PARISH COUNCIL

After many years on the council, Clare Reed and Bernie Hassim have stepped down from their roles as Ecumenical and Youth co-ordinators, and these vacancies need to be filled.

### READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

As always, we are looking out for new faces to swell the ranks of these teams, young as well as older ones.

### ALTAR SERVERS

Do any of the young people who have taken their First Holy Communion and Confirmation in the last few years want to get more involved in the Parish? If so helping out on the Altar is a great way to do it.

### CHOIR AND YOUTH MASS

Do you like to sing? Can you play or are you learning to play an instrument? Please go and say 'hi' to the choir before or after Mass and have a chat.

### SOUND SYSTEM AND LAP TOP OPERATORS

The AV system has been up and running for several years now, and the operating instructions are simple and easy to follow. The rota needs both adults to oversee the system, and younger parishioners to operate the laptop and screen.

### CHILDRENS LITURGY

Have your children enjoyed attending the Children's liturgy, or do you have younger ones who will be attending in the future? The children's liturgy team read a short prayer and the gospel, before helping the children fill out a worksheet. This is a term time only role.

### SVP

The St Vincent de Paul Society – or SVP for short – offers people the means to give a little of their time to helping others who are in need. Our Parish SVP group meets twice a month.

### USHERS

The ushers welcome people into church, hand out Mass books and the newsletter, and take up the collection.

### JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP

This is combined with other Parishes in the pastoral area, to support CAFOD, MoPSA and other deserving causes. It deals also with current national and international problems.

### FR KEN WRITES

We are always in need of more volunteers for all sorts of things, and recently this need has become more pressing. **Please think about what you might be able to do to help St Aidan's thrive**, and either speak to me or email/call the office for more information.

In addition to everything mentioned above, for the last few years, Deirdre Lay, her family, and some of you have worked very hard setting up and running our May Fayre, and I am sure we are all most appreciative of this. However, it is not good that this responsibility rests always on the same shoulders, and Deirdre and our Parish Council have agreed that **unless a new team of organisers and helpers come forward we will not be having a May Fayre next year**. Perhaps a Grand Draw and social event may be arranged instead.

