

St Aidan's Parish

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Office Days this week: Monday 10th & Wednesday 12th December. CLOSED THURSDAY

SACRAMENTS AND FUNERALS AT ST AIDAN'S

BAPTISM: By appointment after completing a Baptism preparation course. Please contact St Aidan's as early as possible in your planning. Next course dates: Early in 2019 - to be confirmed.

MARRIAGE: By appointment after completion of a Marriage Preparation Course. Please contact the office BEFORE making any firm plans.

FUNERALS: By arrangement with the Parish Priest. Please contact the office BEFORE making any firm arrangements with undertakers or the crematorium.

If you would like something included in the newsletter, please email the office. Deadline for next week: Tues 11th Dec

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9th DECEMBER 2018

| Date | Time | Mass/Service of Communion | Mass intention | Other Services/events |
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| Sat 8 th Dec | 9.30 am | Mass – Immaculate Conception of Our Lady | People of the Parish | 4.00-6.00pm Confirmation class in the Hall 5.15-5.45pm Confessions 3 – 10pm Youth Walk London '18 |
| | 6.00pm | Mass SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT | | 10.30am Nativity rehearsal in Church 12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall 12.30pm Baptism of Annabelle Adams |
| Sun 9 th Dec | 11.00am | Mass | Margaret Kay RIP | |
| Mon 10 th Dec | 9.30am | Mass – Feria | Noreen Shovlin (Sp Int) | 9.00am Rosary |
| | | | | 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting in the Presbytery |
| Tues 11 th Dec | 9.30am | Mass - Feria | Mary Nelson RIP | 9.00am Rosary 9.30am Toddler Group in the Hall |
| Wed 12 th Dec | 9.30am | Mass - Feria | Michael Walker RIP | 9.00am Rosary |
| Thurs 13 th Dec | 9.30am | Mass – St Lucy | Mary Harris RIP | 9.00am Rosary |
| Friday 14 th Dec | 9.30am | Mass – St John of the Cross | Mary Nelson RIP | 9.00am Rosary 7.30pm Service of Reconciliation at St Columba's, Chesham |
| Sat 15 th Dec | 6.00pm | YOUTH Mass THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT | Dan McInerney RIP | 10.00-12noon Confessions 3.00-4.00pm Confessions 5.15-5.45pm Confessions |
| Sun 16 th Dec | 11.00am | Mass | People of the Parish | 12noon Nativity rehearsal in Church 12noon Tea and Coffee in the Hall 1.00pm Parish Lunch in the Hall |

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READER TEAM
 Sat 8th: KC SuH MH & A; Sun 9th: FM RS EW & W
 Sat 15th: PK SL FO & C; Sun 16th: SA AB JH & X

Collection for 1st & 2nd December: £611.68
 Standing orders: £480.00

Next Saturday 15th December will be a Day of Reconciliation here at St Aidan's, with confessions at 10.00am until 12noon, 3.00pm until 4.00pm, and 5.15pm until 5.45pm. Please do take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to get things right in our lives as we prepare for Christmas.



Radio Christmas is celebrating 10 years this year. If you are in the South Chilterns then you will be able to tune in on 87.7FM. You can also listen via the website www.radiochristmas.co.uk and take Radio Christmas with you wherever you go with our new mobile apps available on iStore and Google Play. Once you have downloaded the Radio Christmas app on your phone you will be able to enjoy our station all-year-round. The apps are free and we would be grateful for a donation as we are a charity raising money for street kids in Latin America. Tune in at 7.40am on Tuesday 11th to hear a voice you may recognise!

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES IN THE PASTORAL AREA

Booklets will be given out at Mass this weekend detailing the Mass times at all the churches in our pastoral area. Please take one home to refer to.



CAFOD have written to thank us for our generous support of the Autumn Fast day, which raised £1,159.72 at St Aidan's.

"Through your support more villages will have access to clean drinking water. Clean water has power; it can save lives, grow crops and even resolve conflict. Thank you for your support, and for your prayers for our brothers and sisters living in poverty. Please know that your gifts and prayers will really make a lasting difference to the lives of so many."

THE CHALFONTS FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Are you retired and living on your own or as a couple? Do you know somebody who is alone or in need of company? The Chalfont Friendship Club was established locally in May 2009 by a group of local parishioners from St Joseph's, for people who are retired to meet and share company. They meet for lunch on the second Wednesday of every month, and have regular theatre trips, get togethers and outings. Please see the poster for more information, or call Pat Kelly on 01494 875264.

GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree is now in the narthex for Advent. Your generosity for those less fortunate will be much appreciated. Please take a label from the tree and, when you have obtained the item on it, wrap as a Christmas gift and stick the label on it so it can be seen what is in the parcel. Please return all gifts to the boxes provided in the narthex, **by next Sunday 16th December**. All gifts will go to NOAH – Centre for the homeless in Luton. Thank you so much.

A CHRISTMAS JOURNEY

Join the Parishes of St Columba and The Immaculate Heart of Mary for **A Christmas Journey** - an evening of music and readings. Saturday 15th December at 8.00pm, St Columba's Church, Chesham. Adult £8, Child £5, Family £16. Tickets available from Parish Secretaries: parishsecstcolumba@gmail.com or ihmparishsecretary@gmail.com

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Have you considered being a Support Worker? Full or part time work available for a Female Support Worker to Support three young ladies with Special Needs living locally. Please contact Arthur Green - MENCAP - for information regarding job description, salary, hours etc. on – 07951410540, or arthur.green@mencap.org

CHRISTMAS ECUMENICAL EVENTS

This year the Little Chalfont Carols on the Green will be on Saturday 15th December from 11am, and will be accompanied by a Brass Band. The event will be led by Rt Rev'd John Went and Rev'd David Whale, the newly appointed Rector of St. Michael's Chenies and St. George's. The Epilepsy Centre Christmas Celebration will be on Wednesday 12th December at 2pm. All welcome.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

The Diocese of Northampton is first for the Dowry Tour of Our Lady of Walsingham in 2019! Thursday February 7th to Saturday February 9th 2019 in the Cathedral Church of Our Lady & St. Thomas. Further details to follow.

GUSTO CUISINE are a local company, based in Chalfont St Peter, who deliver home cooked nutritious meals for your freezer. Go to www.gustocuisine.net or take a leaflet from the narthex if you are interested.