

Services this week

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sun 12th	9.00am Mass (St Aidan's)
	10.30am Mass
	6.30pm Evensong & Benediction
Mon 13th	no mass
Tue 14th	SS CYRIL AND METHODIUS: 6.15pm mass
Wed 15th	10.30am mass (St Aidan's)
Thu 16th	6.15pm mass
Fri 17th	10.00am mass
Sat 18th	10.00am mass
7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
Sun 19th	9.00am Mass (St Aidan's)
	10.30am Mass

*Love and respect of the Eucharist*

Come to Mass on time, and participate actively.

*On receiving the Eucharist frequently and mass attendance during the week:*

The Church invites us to receive the Eucharist frequently. Consequently we should go to Mass not only on Sundays but also during the week if our schedule permits.

WELCOME to our worship today, whether at St Augustine's or St Aidan's. Join us in speaking praise to God: join us also in keeping silence before mass, in listening to the voice of the Lord.

Jean Pye RIP Jean's funeral requiem will take place on Friday 10th March at St Aidan's. The service will begin at 12.00pm, and will conclude at Overdale Crematorium at 1.00pm.

Turkish/Syrian Earthquake There will be a retiring collection this morning in aid of the relief efforts following the Turkish/Syrian earthquake disaster.

Bible Study Group tomorrow at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Also tomorrow evening is Deanery Synod, meeting via Zoom at 7.30pm.

Church Cleaning tomorrow at St Augustine's from 10.00am. Many hands make light work. Everyone welcome.

The Mothers' Union on Wednesday are hosting a Craft Afternoon. Come along and see what crafty MU members get up! This meeting is open to all, as are all MU meetings.

Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham There is a list at the back of church for those wishing to go on Pilgrimage to Walsingham at the end of August to mark their intent.

Ash Wednesday next week marks the beginning of the great season of Lent. There will be two masses: 10.30am at St Aidan's and 7.30pm at St Augustine's. We should make every effort to come to one of these.

Real Easter Eggs Order your Real Easter Eggs, containing the Easter Message, on the list at the back of church.

Messy Church is this Saturday, beginning at 11.00am. All ages are welcome, particularly families with young children.

**The Sick:** Mary Winstanley, Sandra Anderson, Dawn Randle, Eileen Hobson, Theresa Stott, Keith Schofield, Keith Mullen, Brenda Loftus, June Aspinall, Natalie Dix and Paul Willan.

**Departed:** Jean Pye.

**Anniversaries:**

Sun 12th	Francis Haslam, Jane Nicholson, Enid Wellings, William Powell, Sarah Smith, Annie Rawlinson.
Mon 13th	Sidney Howard, Alice Houghton, Annie Loftos, James Spencer, Edith Holmes, Tom Diggle, Irvin Norie.
Tue 14th	Catherine Knowles, Tom Porter, Thomas Cunliffe, Harry Croft, Herbert Makin.
Wed 15th	Frances Trotman, Edwin Gorman, John Pearson, Thomas Terry, William Lowe, William Haslam.
Thu 16th	Mary Myers, Ada Winrow, Annie Loftus, Edith Raby, Lizzie Hutton, William Archibald, Jane Black, Ronald Watson (Pr).
Fri 17th	Margaret Prestwich, Bertha Cheadle, Ethel Shackleton, Derek Willan.
Sat 18th	Eliza Jones, Alice Langdon, Annie Southern, Florence Thomason, Sam Parker, Mavis Moss, Ella Hampson.

**Please take this Mass Sheet home with you.**

**The Sixth Sunday of the Year, (A)**  
12th February 2023

**FIRST READING (Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20)**

*A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes*

If you wish, you can keep the commandments, to behave faithfully is within your power. He has set fire and water before you; put out your hand to whichever you prefer. Man has life and death before him; whichever a man likes better will be given him. For vast is the wisdom of the Lord; he is almighty and all-seeing. His eyes are on those who fear him, he notes every action of man. He never commanded anyone to be godless, he has given no one permission to sin.

**This is the word of the Lord.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 118:1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34)**

**R/. They are happy who follow God's law.**

1. They are happy whose life is blameless,  
who follow God's law!

They are happy those who do his will,  
seeking him with all their hearts,

2. You have laid down your precepts  
to be obeyed with care.

May my footsteps be firm  
to obey your statutes.

3. Bless your servant and I shall live  
and obey your word.

Open my eyes that I may consider  
the wonders of your law.

4. Teach me the demands of your statutes  
and I will keep them to the end.

Train me to observe your law,  
to keep it with my heart.

**SECOND READING (1Cor 2:6-10)**

*A reading from the First Letter of S Paul to the Corinthians*

We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or

they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls: the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him.

These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God.

**This is the word of the Lord.**

**GOSPEL (Matthew 5:17-37)**

*A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven.

'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court.

'You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say this to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

'Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you: do not swear at all. All you need say is "Yes" if you mean yes, "No" if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one.'

**This is the Gospel of the Lord**

