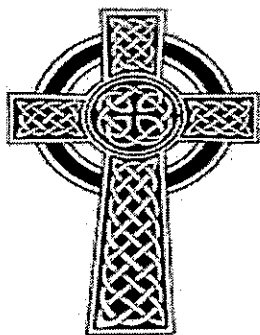


NEWSLETTER

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Year B.

28th Sunday - Ordinary Time

14th October 2018

Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel

Psalm

Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

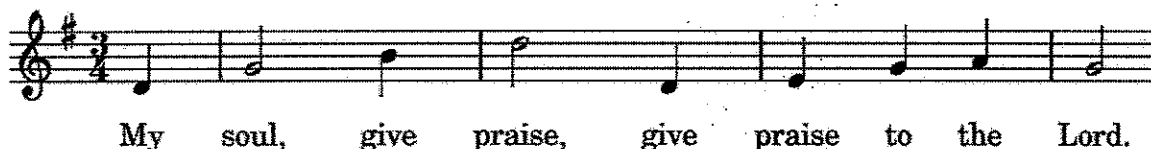
Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confession

Saturday after evening Mass and 1st Saturdays at 12 noon. Also by appointment.

NEXT WEEK - Second Collection - Missio

Missio is the Church's official organ for the support of foreign missions. The collection taken on World Mission Sunday goes in its entirety to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. Missio works through local bishops, churches and missionary congregations to ensure that resources are distributed equitably and justly on the basis of need.

Psalm 145/ 146
9am Mass
Please join in the Psalm response.



Mass times and intentions

Sat Vigil	6pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9am	Cader Caderina RIP
	11am	Jean Kelly RIP
Monday	10am	John McManus RIP <i>St. Teresa of Jesus [of Avila]</i>
Tuesday	10am	John Cook RIP
Wednesday	7pm	William Samson Bishop <i>St. Ignatius of Antioch</i>
Thursday	*1pm*	Funeral Mass for Mary Moss RIP <i>Saint Luke</i>
Friday	10am	Betty & Larry Gallagher RIP
Next weekend.		<i>World Mission Day</i>
Sat Vigil	6pm	Francis & Mary Winifred Bede-Cox
Sun	9am	People of the Parish
	11am	St. Aidan's Lourdes Group

LIFE breakfast in Hall after 9am Mass.
Bar open after 11am Mass.

>>> Please note there is no morning Mass on Thursday.

October is the month of Our Lady of the Rosary.

The Rosary will be said in on Sunday afternoons in church at 4pm during October.

Youth Ministry
 If you are interested in helping with the parish's Youth Ministry, for Year 10 and older. Please email Penne Hutton pennacecil@hotmail.co.uk

Harvest Thanksgiving Weekend at St Aidan's 13-14th October

At each of our Masses next weekend our Justice and Peace group will be coordinating a thanksgiving offering to demonstrate our gratitude that we are able to harvest the fruits of our labours. As a sign of this gratitude, there will be a special focus on our appreciation for the role of the Purley Food Hub in our local community. A big thank you to those of you who regularly contribute to the stocks of the Hub; they still need to maintain and build up their stocks this autumn in the lead-up to Christmas. In September, the Hub provided very nearly 3,000 meals, which is their fourth highest monthly total since they opened in 2013. Just as reminder, the Hub is a member of the Croydon Food Network, which helps people in crisis who are without food. Their clients may have become unemployed, are suffering illness or had a sudden, unexpected change in their circumstances at home. They may have had their benefits stopped and are going through the appeal process. A series of events coming together may have left them unable to buy food for their basic needs.

What can you do?

This week, we can add a couple of items of long-life food to your weekly shop, and bring them to church with you on Saturday or Sunday. As a community we will then bring these items up at the offertory. To give you an idea of what to bring, below is a list of the items particularly requested for October:

Jars of peanut butter; Small bags of sugar (500g); Small tins of potatoes / packets of dried potato; Tinned meat meals; Toddler microwavable meals; Tinned carrots and peas; Instant custard requiring only water; Tinned rice pudding; Small bottles of squash / long life fruit juice; Children's toothbrushes; Washing up liquid and Unisex deodorant.

Fr. Peter is available at the Parish House on the following dates and times to sign secondary school reference forms.

Mon 15 Oct. 3pm - 4pm
 Thursday 18 Oct 7.45pm - 8.30pm

Primary school forms will be done in November.

St. Aidan's Catholic Primary School Open Sessions - Autumn 2018

Thursday 18th October 1.30 to 3pm
 Friday 16th November 9.30 to 11am

If you are unable to attend the above sessions, please contact the school office on 01737 556036 to arrange an individual tour.

Adornus hexagons have been taken down. If you want your hexagon to take home it can be collected from the basket on the same table as the newsletters in the Church porch.

Collections last weekend Offertory:
 Cash not Gift-aided: £410
 Gift-aided: £233
 Standing Orders: Gift-aided - £250; Total: £893
 2nd Collection - CAFOD Fast Day - £688

Thank you

St. Vincent de Paul Society
 The next meeting of St. Aidan's SVP Conference will take place on Monday 15th October at 8.15pm in the Marian Room.

Mary Moss RIP. (Aunt to Gerry and Denis O'Donnell, Maria, Carmel, and Martina)

The funeral Mass for Mary Moss will take place at St. Aidan's Church on Thursday 18th October at 1pm. It will be followed by the committal at Randalls Park Crematorium in Leatherhead at 2.45pm. All are welcome. Mary died earlier this year and a requiem Mass was celebrated for her at that time.

Please pray for the sick and household:
 Phil Hobbs, Julia Mccarthy, Rosa Shea, John Cooksey, Chris Antoniou, Judith Fernandez, Mary Crehan, Orlagh Beau Keable, Mary Smith, Louise Harris, Lisa Garratt, Dave O' Donoghue, James Tomlin, Jerry Twomey, Sarah Bell, Colin Hadley, Claudette Lovell, Sammy McCarroll, Peggy Cauchi, Joseph Darville, Geoff Wood, Bridget Browne, Noëlle Kelly.

This Sunday six new saints will be canonised by Pope Francis in Rome. They include: Pope Paul VI and Archbishop Oscar Romero.

Pope Paul VI.

Pope Paul VI led the Catholic Church from 1963 until his death on August 6, 1978. Succeeding John XXIII, Paul VI continued the Second Vatican Council - which he closed in 1965 - implementing its numerous reforms. He wanted a Church that was in dialogue with the modern world. He treated the theme of dialogue at great length in his encyclical *Ecclesiam Suam*, released on Aug. 6, 1964, exactly 14 years before his death. In it, he wrote he felt a "vocation" to dialogue between the Church and the world.

Paul VI governed the Church in the turbulent post-conciliar phase. In the words of Pope Francis, he was a man who "knew how to witness, in difficult years, to the faith in Jesus Christ."

In 1975 Pope Paul wrote his exhortation on evangelization, *Evangelii Nuntiandi* (On Proclaiming the Gospel). In *Evangelii Nuntiandi*, Paul VI wrote that the Church itself "has a constant need of being evangelized," and that people today listen "more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if they do listen to teachers, it is because they are witnesses." "The world calls for, and expects from us, simplicity of life, the spirit of prayer, charity towards all, especially towards the lowly and the poor, obedience and humility, detachment and self-sacrifice. Without this mark of holiness, our words will have difficulty in touching the heart of modern men and women.

Archbishop Oscar Romero, El Salvador's first saint.

Oscar Romero, who will become the first Salvadoran saint, was born on August 15, 1917. He was gunned down during Mass in a hospital chapel March 24, 1980, a day after telling an army made up largely of peasants that they were killing their own people. "No soldier is obliged to obey an order that is contrary to the will of God," he said. He was shot through the heart by gunmen linked to a right-wing death squad while celebrating Mass, after saying, "one must not love oneself so much as to avoid getting involved in the risks of life that history demands of us, and those who fend off danger will lose their lives."

SPECIAL MINISTERS: Can you let Leonie have your unavailable dates for Nov/Dec/Jan (as well as specific Christmas Mass to be attended) by noon Sunday 21 Oct? leonie@thewildings.eclipse.co.uk ; 01737 556508. Reminder ... Our afternoon of reflection takes place on Sat 3 Nov.

WEST CROYDON REFUGEE CENTRE.

The Justice and Peace Group are collecting baby clothes for destitute mothers and their babies.

Items needed: 0-3 months babygros, sleepsuits, vests, bibs, muslin cloths, wipes, shawls, blankets, clean old towels and buggies. Nappies for premature and 0-3 month babies. New Men's and Women's underwear.

SEEKING SANCTUARY COLLECTIONS
W/E 6/7 Oct and 13/14 Oct.

Please donate: Small and Medium men's/boy's T shirts and sweaters. Jogging bottoms and jeans sizes 26-34. Men's and boy's winter jackets. New boxer shorts. Gloves, hats, scarves, socks. Backpacks. Trainers. Unlocked mobile phones with chargers. Power banks. Tarpaulins. Rain ponchos. Tents (1 man). Sleeping bags. Waterproof walking boots.

CHRISTMAS CARDS
SPECIAL OFFER !

There are religious Christmas Cards and some Christmas candles available on the two white shelf units at the back of the Church, (near shop and offertory table). Please help yourself and just leave a donation for what you take.

A new stock of CAFOD TRADICRAFT Christmas cards will be available soon.



Tickets on sale after masses

Music Night with Spectrum

In aid of the Church Organ Fund

27 October

£10 including buffet

Parish Hall - doors open 7:30

FLOATING SHELTER - HELP NEEDED: Does anyone have time to spare on any Thursday mornings in November and December to drive to the Coughlan's depot in Thornton Heath to collect donated bread and sandwiches for the evening's shelter? It would mean leaving Coulsdon at 9am and returning to leave the goods at the church hall at about 10.45am. Any help with this job, even if only occasionally, will be gratefully received.

Contact: Leonie Wilding: 01737 556508 ;
leonie@thewildings.eclipse.co.uk

**Annual Mass count takes place
this weekend.**

- ♦ GIFT AID forms are available outside church today after every Mass.
- ♦ Forms are also available to increase existing standing orders.

PARISH GIFT AID. Information Sheet.

For more information with regard to joining the Gift Aid scheme please email the parish office: couldson@rcaos.org.uk

You can boost the donations you are currently making to your parish by 25% without giving any extra! This is equivalent to

25 pence on every £1 donated.

You are eligible if you have an income -

wage, salary, pension or investment income, on which you pay U.K. Income Tax. By completing a Gift Aid declaration, you give the Church authority to reclaim this amount of Tax from the Inland Revenue.

NB Those in the 40p tax band are eligible for a personal rebate.

Request a Gift Aid Declaration and return it to our Parish Gift Aid Organiser. It can be left in sacristy for her attention.

Make your contributions to the Church by weekly numbered envelope or by bankers standing order.

Second Collections.

Envelopes are provided for some second collections. These are the collections which come under the Diocese. Other collections take place for charities which are independent of the Diocese. Some of these produce their own Gift Aid forms which may be returned when the proceeds are forwarded to them. We publicise the purpose of the second collection for the following Sunday in our Newsletter. Standing Order. - Offertory only.

When you set up a Standing Order with your Bank it only includes the amount you wish to give to the parish offertory (first collection at Mass in church). Second collections, Christmas & Easter Offerings, Good Friday Holy Places have to be donated in the basket in Church in the usual way. It is for this reason that those with Standing Orders are also given a set of envelopes.

48 Dale Road, Purley, CR8 2EF.

"GRIEF TO GRACE" - Healing the Wounds of Abuse - a talk by Fr. Dominic Allain on Monday 15th October, 7.45 for 8 pm. in the Church Hall of St. John the Baptist church,

Existing standing orders.

Please note that standing orders do not automatically increase. If you have set one up years ago the likelihood is that it needs to be increased. There are forms available for that purpose.

How much tax must I pay to be able to take part in Gift Aid?

You can join the Gift Aid Scheme providing you are a U.K. Taxpayer and pay an amount tax at least equal to the amount of any refund reclaimed by the parish on your donations.

Do I have to make a binding commitment?

No. Gift Aid is not a binding commitment and the parish will only claim back a tax refund on the actual amount you have given. You will not be asked to make up any missed payments, unless you choose to do so.

What happens if I change my address?

Just inform the parish Organiser. You do not have to complete a new form.

What if I stop paying Income Tax or wish to cancel?

Inform the Organiser and we can cancel your declaration.

Can I change the amount I give?

Yes. You can increase or decrease the amount you give at any time without having to complete a new declaration.

Is Gift Aid Confidential?

Yes. You do not have to disclose details of your income, savings, pension or other personal details. Church money-counters do not see a name on your donations, they only see an identity number.

What if I move to another parish?

If you have already signed a Gift Aid Declaration, all you have to do is advise your new parish organiser of this fact and continue to use a method of payment that is easily recordable by the new parish. You only need to sign a new form if the new parish is in a different Diocese.