

NEWSLETTER

St Aidan's Catholic Church - Coulsdon



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Nineteenth Sunday - Ordinary Time

20th August 2023

*All Masses are streamed for housebound on the parish YouTube channel: **St Aidans Coulsdon***

Saturday Vigil 6pm Kevin Flynn RIP. **Sacrament of Reconciliation** (Confessions) after Sat Mass.

Sunday 9am People of the Parish

Sunday 11am Tom Joyce RIP

Monday 10am Thomas Hannon RIP.

Tuesday No Mass in church

Wednesday 6.30pm Carlton Cabral RIP.

Thursday 10am Maria Kovacevic RIP.

Friday 10am Sattie Ramdhanie RIP.

Saturday Vigil 6pm Dominic Geoghegan RIP.

Sunday 9am People of the Parish

Sunday 11am

Bar open after 11am Mass.

SVP National Raffle 2023.

The National Raffle is the biggest annual fundraising event of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Every year your support helps the Society continue its work with people facing isolation, loneliness and a daily struggle with poverty in communities throughout England and Wales. This year the prizes are: 1st prize £5000, 2nd prize £1000 plus 15 additional prizes of £100. Tickets are £1 each or £5 for book of 5 tickets and the draw will take place on 27th September 2023. Members of St. Aidan's Conference will be selling tickets after Masses on the weekends of 19th & 20th and 26th & 27th August 2023. Thank you for your continued and generous support.

Please pray for the sick and housebound.

Anne Walker, Eileen & Jack Darville, Caroline Garvey, Pat Kelly, Truda Hobbs, Rhona Devine, Marion McCluskey, Jean Hunt, Mary Crehan, Winn Jordan, Charlie Hooke, Allen Reilly, David Gibson, Veronica Lydon-McCluskey, Juliette Hinds, Sammy McCarroll, Sarah Bell, Rosie Longworth, Anthony Grimshaw, Bernadette Blaquiere, Eileen Brockhurst, Czeslaw Sajadak, Trudy Kiely, John Cooksey, Geoff Wood, Joseph Darville, Margaret Long, Norma Cordell, Christopher Thomas, Coral Hind, Jean Turner, Freda Blade, David Morling. And all who are sick.

If you know of anyone who should be on our parish sick list or needs communion at home please let Fr Peter know.

An eleven week Alpha Course will be starting on Tuesday, 12th September from 7.00-9.00pm at St John the Baptist Catholic church hall in Purley. The Alpha course is best described as a fun, non-pressurised, completely free introduction to Christianity and a better understanding of Jesus. It is designed both for regular church goers and also others searching for answers to life's big questions. Each week, we will enjoy a supper together, watch a short film and then join a small discussion group. Now is your chance to find out more about Our Lord, meet new people and make friends!
If you are interested in attending the course send an email to our parish office:
coulson@rcaos.org.uk

WEST CROYDON REFUGEE CENTRE.
Croydon Refugee Centre are always grateful for our donations. Current needs: New underwear and socks for men, women and children. Size 1 nappies and baby clothes. Trainers.

**Afternoon Tea Friday 1st September at 4 o'clock
in the church hall for a donation of £5.00
If you would like to book a place please contact
Brenda Eydman 01737 552610**

Today's readings (2nd reading not printed here).

First reading **Isaiah 56:1,6-7**

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 66(67):2-3,5-6,8**

*Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.*

O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help.

Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him.

Gospel **Matthew 15:21-28**

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.