

NEWSLETTER

St Aidan's Catholic Church - Coulsdon



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ORDINARY TIME ~ Twenty first Sunday

23 August 2026

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

Saturday 6pm Nora Buggy RIP. Confessions after Mass.

Sunday 9am People of the parish

Sunday 11am Frances Gilbert - 80th birthday

Monday 10am Welfare of Michael Fosberry (Ill). *St Bartholomew - Apostle.*

Tuesday No Mass here.

Wednesday 6.30pm Welfare of Carmen Moniz and family.

Thursday 10am Jacque & Mickey Ward RIP. *St Monica*

Friday 10am Sebastian Francis - 80th birthday *St Augustine* **Exposition until 11am**

Saturday 6pm Simon & Heather Archer - 35th Wedding anniversary **Confessions after Mass.**

Sunday 9am People of the parish. **11am** Intentions of Neil Tharakan

**Life breakfast after 9am Mass.
Bar open after 11am Mass.**

Next weekend there will be an appeal with a second collection for the St Martin's Missions which is the Dominican English Province mission in the West Indies. We will be welcoming Fr Peter Harries OP.

Please remember the repose of the soul of ...
Mary Crowe RIP (St Aidan's).
Desmond Harris RIP. Stephen Beck RIP.

The funeral Mass for Benedict McHugo RIP. will be on Monday 7th September at 11am.

*May they rest in peace
in the place prepared for them.*

Please pray for the sick and housebound.

Kit Gralton, Jim Mons, Norah Johnson, Brian Fernandes, Ed Mulhearn, Claire Longworth, Elizabeth Hubbard-Brown, Gill Lands, Eileen Mallows, Truda Hobbs, Terry Doman, Pat Kelly, Marion McCluskey, Charlie Hooke, Allen Reilly, Sarah Bell, Juliette Hinds, Veronica Lydon, Sammy McCarroll, Trudy Kiely, John Cooksey, Geoff Wood, Margaret Long, Freda Blade, Christi Cox, David Morling and all who are sick.

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

On Sunday 13th September, Archbishop John will visit our parish to celebrate the 11am Mass and join us in the hall afterwards .

Afternoon Tea Friday 4th September in the church hall at 4 o'clock for a donation of £5.00. If you would like to book a place, please speak to Brenda Eydman after the 9 o'clock Mass or telephone 01737 552610

Taskforce will next happen on Saturday 29th August. 10am - 12 noon.

The hedges around the church grounds are due for another trim. This will be the last Taskforce session before the Archbishop's visit.

We have one electric hedge trimmer but we need some more to get the job done in 2 hours. Please bring a hedge trimmer if you have one, many trimmers make light work ! Let's make a special effort next Saturday. Thank you,

SOCIAL EVENT COMING UP

20 Sept - back to school BBQ; join us to say goodbye to summer

The second collection on 18 / 19 July raised £1,090 for the appeal by the Little Sisters of the Poor for their care for the elderly / poor.

This is so generous of you the people of St Aidan's and a witness to your faith in action.

Next weekend we celebrate the feast of St Aidan, patron of our parish. The date of St Aidan's feast day is 31st August but we will bring it forward to the Sunday. All three parish Masses will be in honour of St Aidan.

Readings at Mass today.

First reading Isaiah 22:15, 19-23

Thus says the Lord GOD of hosts, 'Come, go to this steward, to Shebna, who is over the household, and say to him: "I will thrust you from your office, and you will be pulled down from your station. In that day I will call my servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and I will clothe him with your robe, and will bind your sash on him, and will commit your authority to his hand. And he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah. And I will place on his shoulder the key of the house of David. He shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open. And I will fasten him like a peg in a secure place, and he will become a throne of honour to his father's house." '

Responsorial Psalm Ps 138(137)

*LORD, your merciful love is eternal;
discard not the work of your hands.*

Second reading Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgements and how inscrutable his ways! 'For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counsellor?' 'Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?' For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory for ever. Amen.

Gospel Matthew 16:13-20

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.' Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.