

OUR LADY'S, Chesham Bois & St. AIDAN'S, Little Chalfont

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Newsletter, Third Sunday of Lent, 8th March 2026 A

Our Lady's, Chesham Bois, 30 Amersham Road, HP6 5PE	St. Aidan, Little Chalfont, Finch Lane, HP7 9NE
Sat 7 th Mar 5.00pm Vigil Mass	Sat 7 th Mar 6.15pm Vigil Mass
Sun 8 th Mar 9.00am Parish Mass 12.00pm Latin Mass	Sun 8 th Mar 9.00am Polish Mass 11.00am Parish Mass
Tue 10 th Mar 9.30am Feria	Mon 9 th Mar 9.30am Feria
Fri 13 th Mar 9.00am Adoration 9.30am Holy Eucharist	Thu 12 th Mar 9.30am No Mass
Sat 14 th Mar 5.00pm Vigil Mass	Fri 13 th Mar 6.30pm Adoration 7.00pm Holy Eucharist
Sun 15 th Mar 9.00am Fourth Sunday of Lent	Sat 14 th Mar 6.15pm Vigil Mass Sun 15 th Mar 11.00am Fourth Sunday of Lent
Adoration: Fri 9.00am – 9.30am	Adoration: Fri 6.30pm – 7.00pm
Confessions: Tuesday & Friday after Mass	Confessions: Friday & Saturday after Mass
Mass Intentions: Sat (Stan Dernulc RIP), Sun (David Gbemudu RIP), Tue (Thomas Valavi RIP), Fri (Holy Souls), Sat (Caselton Clark RIP), Sun (Surani Zoysa Anthony, Sp.Int)	Mass Intentions: Sat (Fr. Bustin RIP), Sun (Thompson, Peter RIP), Mon (Fr. Edward Hill RIP), Thu (Berger, Liesel RIP), Fri (Hawley, Norah RIP), Sat (Cathy & Jack Cooper RIP), Sun (Chris Kelly RIP)

Mothering Sunday: The fourth Sunday of Lent is called, "*Laetare Sunday*", which also coincides with Mothering Sunday. It's a day of thanksgiving, for the love and care of our mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures. In spiritual sense, we celebrate the nurturing love of God, and the mother church. To celebrate the occasion, we shall bless flowers during Mass next weekend and give to all the mothers.

Second Collection: We shall have a second collection next weekend for *HCPT (Hosanna House and Children's Pilgrimage Trust)*. HCPT was founded by a medical doctor (Michael Strode) who was the resident doctor for a boarding school for disabled children in Sussex. Michael converted to Catholicism around the end of the Second War and worked at Chailey Heritage from the early 1950's into the 1980's. On retirement he became a Cistercian monk. He noticed that the Catholic children at Chailey were seldom given a holiday, and in 1954 he organised with a few friends to take a number of these children to Lourdes for a week. From this small beginning the HCPT charity grew over the years and now takes several thousand children and adults, many disabled, to Lourdes each year. An adult HCPT group was started by **John** and **Anne Wolff** in 1985. **Dcn John Crowshaw** and **Michael Drake** have been involved with this group since the 1990's. HCPT is facing financial constraints to continue this mission. So, let's support them through our generous donations.

Lenten Reconciliation Service & Confessions: Please note, our annual Lenten reconciliation service and opportunity for individual confession will be on **Monday 23rd March** at St. Aidan's at 7.00pm. It's a joined service for both Churches.

Our Lady's School Quiz: The School PTA is hosting a Quiz Night this **Thursday 12th March at 7.30pm** in the school hall and invite the members of Our Lady's and St Aidan's parishes to join them with teams. Tickets are £10 per person.

Food Bank: Please bring these items: Jam / Marmalade, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Custard, Soup, Pasta Sauce.

Join us for an evening of *Reflection, Exposition* and *Contemplative Music* on **Wednesday 11th March, 7:30pm at St Columba's** in Chesham. The reflections are from St Elizabeth of the Trinity Letters of Spiritual Advice. St Elizabeth is holding up a mirror to us when we don't actually let ourselves be loved and her encouragement is '*let yourself be loved*".

Congratulations: I am so glad to share with the parish community a wonderful news. Our young **Dr. Surani De Zoysa Anthony** has received an email from the American Heart Association inviting her to present her final year (2025) thesis in person, at the World Congress of Cardiologist in March 2026 in Boston, and they will be publishing it in the Journal of American Heart Medicine. In addition to this, she has also been selected to receive the 2026 Paul Dudley White International Scholar Award, which will be presented at the same event. Her presentation is on 14th March 2026. Please remember Surani in your prayers on the day and join me in appreciating her for this outstanding achievement.

Parish Lunch: The next parish lunch at SA is on **Sunday 22nd March**. Please find the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Tap N Go Figures: Our Lady's: £205.00, SA: £108.00



**THIRD SUNDAY
of LENT**

*THOSE WHO DRINK
THE WATER I SHALL
GIVE WILL NEVER
THIRST AGAIN*

Offertory Collection Last Week: Our Lady's: £320.02
Standing Order: £361.00

St. Aidan's: £320.83
Standing Order: £797.00

Thank You