

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

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Newsletter, 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time, 19th July 2026 A

Our Lady's, Chesham Bois, 30 Amersham Road, HP6 5PE			St. Aidan, Little Chalfont, Finch Lane, HP7 9NE		
Sat 18 th July	5.00pm	Vigil Mass	Sat 18 th July	6.15pm	Vigil Mass
Sun 19 th July	9.00am	Parish Mass	Sun 19 th July	9.00am	Polish Mass
	12.00pm	Latin Mass		11.00am	Parish Mass
Tue 21 st July	9.30am	Feria	Mon 20 th July	9.30am	Feria
Fri 24 th July	9.00am	Adoration	Thu 23 th July	9.30am	St Bridget of Sweden
Fri 24 th July	9.30am	Holy Eucharist	Fri 24 th July	6.30pm	Adoration
Sat 25 th July	5.00pm	Vigil Mass	Fri 24 th July	7.00pm	Holy Eucharist
Sun 26 th July	9.00am	17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sat 25 th July	6.15pm	Vigil Mass
			Sat 26 th July	11.00am	17 th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Adoration: Friday 9.00am – 9.30am			Adoration: Friday 6.30pm-7pm		
Confessions: Tuesday and Friday after Mass			Confessions: Saturday after Mass		
Mass Intentions: Sat (Lee Henderson), Sun (Victor Thangarajah RIP), Fri (Anne T. Thanksgiving) Sat (Parish), Sun (Paul and Joanna Hale in Thanksgiving)			Mass Intentions: Sat (Bob Dipple RIP), Sun (John and Graham Bastin RIP), Mon (Kathleen and Frank McElroy Special Intention), Thu (Sean Heneghan RIP), Fri (J and M Thanksgiving), Sat (Parish), Sun (Mary O'Shea RIP)		

Following his appointment by His Holiness Pope Leo XIV as Apostolic Administrator sede plena et ad nutum Sanctae Sedis of the Diocese of Northampton, Archbishop Richard Moth has written to parishioners across the Diocese. We are pleased to publish Archbishop Richard's letter in full below.

Dear brothers and sisters, as you may know, Pope Leo has appointed me Apostolic Administrator for the Diocese of Northampton. I am aware that this is a difficult time of uncertainty for our whole diocese. Amid these challenges, I want to thank you sincerely for everything you are doing to support your priests and deacons and keep our communities vibrant and stable. You are all in my prayers. Over the past few weeks, I have met with the diocesan leadership teams and trustees to understand the current situation and plan the way forward. It is my intention to spend a good part of one day a week in the Diocese and, in between times, to liaise with Canon Michael Harrison, in his capacity as Vicar General and with Canon Christopher Perry, in his role as Moderator of the Curia.

Regarding upcoming celebrations of the sacrament of Confirmation, we will keep the current arrangements in place. The local Deans will continue to administer the Sacrament as planned. Please join me in praying for everyone affected by the ongoing situation involving Bishop David. Let us also pray for one another as we work together in the Vineyard of the Lord in our parishes, schools and religious communities. With every Blessing,

+ Richard Moth

Apostolic Administrator

Parish Volunteers Social: This *Sunday, 19th July 1.00pm*, I look forward to seeing the volunteers from both Churches in *St. Aidan's Garden* for a social *get-together*. It is to recognise and appreciate the hard work you all do throughout the year in our Churches.

Tap N Go Figures: *Our Lady's: £223.00, SA: £90.00.*

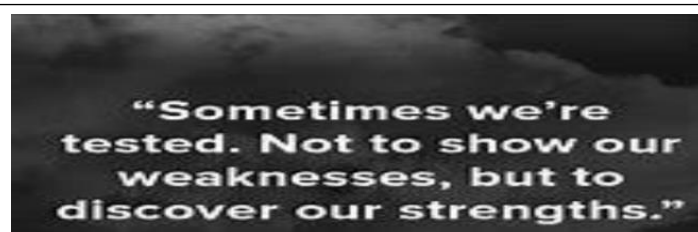
Chiltern Food Bank: Kindly support our local foodbank with the following items: 500gram packets of Rice, fruit Jellies, UHT Milk, Pasta Sauce packets, soups and small tins of sardines

First Communion Programme 2026-27: Registration is now open for children who will be in **Year 4** or above from September. The preparation classes at *Our Lady's* will commence from Saturday **19 September 2026**, with a meeting for the parents. The First Communion Mass will be on **Saturday 15 May 2027 at noon**. The preparation classes at *St. Aidan's* will be starting on **Monday 28 September 2026**, with the parents' meeting. The First Communion Mass will be on **Saturday 24 April 2027 at 11.am**. **To register your child, please send an email to the parish office with your child's name and a copy of the baptism certificate.**

Second Collection Last Weekend: Thank you to everyone, who contributed to the second collection last week towards *Stella Maris*. Our Lady's: **£198.14, SA: £191.50**

Sixth World Day For Grandparents and the Elderly
As we look ahead to the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on Sunday 26 July, parishes, clergy and parishioners are warmly encouraged to prepare to celebrate this special day, established by Pope Francis and now celebrated under the theme chosen by Pope Leo XIV: "I will never forget you" (Isaiah 49:15). To mark this occasion we will have a special prayer after Communion next week-end at all Masses.

Appeal and Second Collection for Aid to the Church in Need on the week-end of 8th/9th August.



Offertory Collection Last Week: Our Lady's: **£277.66**
Standing Order: **£361.00**

St. Aidan's: **£601.90**
Standing Order: **£797.00**

Thank You