



ST AUSTIN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No 234216

Sunday 23rd June 2024

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Psalter: Week 4 | Weekday Cycle: Year I

Saturday 22 nd	5.00 p.m.	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 23 rd	11.00 a.m.	Holy Mass	Peggy & Tony Payne
Monday 24 th	10.00 a.m.	Holy Mass	Michael & Mary O'Donovan
Tuesday 25 th	9.15 a.m. (STA)	Holy Mass	Mary & Ambrose Gavigan
Wednesday 26 th	12.00 Noon	Holy Mass	The Loughran Family
Thursday 27 th	9.15 a.m. (BMT)	Holy Mass	Pat Gavigan
Friday 28 th	12.00 Noon	Holy Mass	Mick & Hedy McAleer

Solemnity of Ss. Peter & Paul Year of Mark (Year B)

Saturday 29 th	5.00 p.m.	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 30 th	11.00 a.m.	Holy Mass	Phil McAuliffe

Prayer for the People of Ukraine: O God, merciful and strong, who crush wars and cast down the proud, look with mercy upon the Ukrainian people. Protect them from aggression. Grant them peace and steadfast trust in your love. Give them courage to defend what is good, right, and holy; and provide for all their needs. Through the powerful intercession of the Mother of God, Protectress of Ukraine, and St Michael the Archangel, Patron of Kyiv, banish violence swiftly from their midst and wipe away all tears. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Blessed Mother Teresa of Kolkata Primary

Somerset Road, Stafford, ST17 9UZ

Telephone: 01785 413276

Website: www.blessedmotherteresas.staffs.sch.uk

St. Austin's Primary

Garden Street, Stafford, ST17 4BT

Telephone: 01785 413277

Website: www.st-austins.org.uk

Blessed William Howard High School

Rowley Avenue, Stafford, ST17 9AB

Telephone: 01785 244236

Website: www.bwh.staffs.sch.uk

CATHOLIC STAFFORD

St. Anne's: Parish Priest: Fr. Robert Devaney

Lynton Avenue, Stafford, ST17 0EA

Telephone: 01785 661012

Email: stannestpatrick.stafford@rcaob.org.uk

Website: www.st-annes-st.org.uk

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.00pm

Sunday Mass: 10.00am

St. Patrick's: Served from St Anne's

48 Sandon Road, Stafford, ST16 3HF

Email: stannestpatrick.stafford@rcaob.org.uk

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4.00pm

Sunday Mass: 9.00am

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Loose Plate: £168.93

Gift Aid: £210.55

Day for Life: £357.14

Thank you for your generosity. Standing Order remains the most cost-effective way to donate to St Austin's at this time. If you would like to consider using a Standing Order, please contact Phil Hood on 01785 211701 for more information.

We remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Edward Smyth, Lucy Leckie, Gerard Dickins, Frederick Willett, Callum Macleod, Isobel McAnerney, Mary Willett, James Kenna, Peter Dunne, John Willett, Robert Evans, Sarah Robinson, Margaret Flaherty, Gertrude Cliff, Patrick Rudkins, Joseph Woods, Jacqueline McCracken, Bidy Treadwell, Katie Conway, Ruby Biddulph, Winifred Hook, Ray Clarke, Winifred Briggs, John Carroll, Kenneth Marsden, Cecilia Smallwood, Winifred Parsons, Deacon Ralph Watkins, Fr. John Bradley, Fr. George Grynowski, Fr. John Joseph McMorro.

Welcome: A warm welcome to all as we gather to celebrate the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Weekday Masses: Please note the slight variations in weekday Masses this coming week as there will be **NO MASS in Church on Tuesday and Thursday.**

Holy Hour: There is a Holy Hour on Saturdays with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 10.00 am to 11.00 a.m.

Children's Liturgy: The Children's Liturgy is celebrated at the 11.00 a.m. Sunday Mass. A big thank you to all our catechists and helpers for their dedication and commitment to this ministry.

Alpha: The final session of the Alpha Course continues at St. Anne's Parish Hall on Monday at 7.00 p.m. Thanks to all who have participated in the course in recent weeks. There will be a party to conclude the evening and all who attended of the sessions are welcome.

Youth Club at St. Anne's: If anyone would like to help with the soon to be established Youth Club at St. Anne's, Please contact Fr. Steven.

Church Cleaning: All help will be appreciated with the Church Cleaning after the Midday Mass on Wednesday.

ENCOUNTER DAY - St Anne's Church, STAFFORD :
9.30am Saturday 6th July

You are warmly invited to a time of reflection and fellowship, led by Cursillo. Through talks and discussion, discover how Cursillo can help you and your parish deepen, renew, and share our Catholic faith. Join us on Saturday 6th July from 9.30am – 1pm. Light refreshments in the form of teas, coffees, cakes, and pastries are provided. See the notice on the board in the porch for more details.

Hednesford Pilgrimage: The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of our lady of Lourdes in Hednesford is on Sunday 7th July. All are welcome and details of the pilgrimage are on the board in the porch.

Harvington Hall Pilgrimage: The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the English Martyrs at Harvington Hall is on Sunday 1st September. All are welcome and details are on the board in the porch along with a letter from Michael Jones, the Pilgrimage Committee Chairman.

Piety Room: The Piety Room has recently been restocked with a variety of cards and various items of piety. Confirmation cards and other gifts will be of special interest at this time.

Rosary Prayer Group: All are welcome to join the Rosary Prayer Group who meet every Monday at **2.00 p.m.** in the Chapel of St. Joseph's Convent Nursing Home.

Christian Food Help: We thank all our donors and volunteers for their continuous and generous support. **2647** meals were delivered in **May**. As you consider what donations to make, be aware that a typical family food parcel will include pasta, tinned meals, tinned vegetables, tinned soup, beans, tinned puddings, tea, milk & cereal. Many thanks.

General Election: Following the announcement of the General Election on July 4th, the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales have created a webpage on their website with information about the issues important to Catholics.

See: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/>

Father Hudson's Care Vacancy: There are details on the board on the porch of a vacancy for a Community Projects Administrative Assistant at Father Hudson's Care.

Peter's Pence Collection: Next weekend the Masses will celebrate the Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul. The second collection is the annual one to support the Pope's Apostolic Charities better known as Peter's Pence.

New Auxiliary Bishops: We keep in our prayers Canon Richard Walker and Monsignor Timothy Menezes as they prepare to be ordained Bishops on Thursday 16th July at St. Chad's Cathedral In Birmingham.

Diocesan Appointments: At present Canon Richard Walker is the Vicar General for the Archdiocese. Canon Jonathan Veasey has been appointed to succeed him. Monsignor Timothy Menezes is at present Dean of St. Chad's Cathedral. Canon Brian McGinley has been appointed to succeed him. We offer them our congratulations and prayerful support.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mrs Sue Kelly. They can be contacted at: sg.staustin.stafford@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.