



ST AUSTIN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

Sunday 7th July 2024

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Saturday 13 th	5.00 p.m.	Holy Mass	James McDonald
Sunday 14 th	11.00 a.m.	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 15 th	9.15 a.m. (STA)	Holy Mass	Private Intention
	10.00 a.m.	Holy Mass	Kathleen Molloy
Tuesday 16 th	7.00 p.m.	Holy Mass	Private Intention
Wednesday 17 th	12.00 Noon	Holy Mass	Peter Haddock
Thursday 18 th	9.15 a.m. (BMT)	Holy Mass	Private Intention
	10.00 a.m.	Holy Mass	Sally Hughes
Friday 19 th	9.00 a.m. (BWH)	Holy Mass	Anne Flynn
	12.00 Noon	Holy Mass	Jimmy Howard

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year of Mark (Year B)

Saturday 20 th	5.00 p.m.	Holy Mass	M. & T. O'Leary
Sunday 21 st	11.00 a.m.	Holy Mass	Paul McGrath

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

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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 LAST WEEK

Loose Plate: £234.40

Gift Aid: £385.94

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: James Kennedy, Mary Neild, Irene Leheny, Elizabeth Evans, Adele Ravagnani, Matthew Prendergast, John Doyle, Edward Rafferty, Rita Gornall, Stella Scahill, Veronica Leech, John Cottrill, Alan Dale, Kevin Quinn, Theresa Trigg, Jeannie Gallagher, Patricia Trainor, William Jones, Beryl Marsden, Lawrence McDonagh, James Howard, Edward Kelly, Michael Gillen, Margaret Crook, Dorothy Shotton, Alan Read, Helena Dulieu, Jack McDonnell, Fr. Anthony John Burns, Fr. Brian Halton, Fr. Arthur Warburton, Fr. Philip Cleary, Fr. Liam Peter O'Connor, Canon Laurence Kelly.

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

We also keep this Sunday as **Sea Sunday**. It is a Day of Prayer for Seafarers, Fishers and their Families. The Second collection is the annual one to support the work of Stella Maris, formerly The Apostleship of the Sea.

As Stella Maris is a separate charity there are Gift Aid Envelopes available in the porch for those who would like to gift aid their donations.

Baptisms: Congratulations to the Tams family whose daughter Eleanor along with Yuting Shen and her son Minchun who will be baptised and welcomed into the Church this weekend

New Auxiliary Bishops: We keep in our prayers Canon Richard Walker and Monsignor Timothy Menezes who will be ordained Bishops next Thursday 16th July in St. Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham at 12.00 Noon.

Due to limitations on space the Mass of Ordination is by invitation only, but all are welcome to join online via the [cathedral's live stream facility](#). The booklet for the Ordination will be available on the website and it is hoped it will also be recorded.

Weekday Mass Times Alterations: As Fr. Michael and Fr. Steven will be at the Ordinations on Tuesday, please note that the Mass at St. Austin's School is transferred to Monday at 9.15 a.m. in the school.

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. All are welcome.

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.

Youth Group at St. Anne's: We are holding a regular youth group in the Parish Hall at St Anne's. The second gathering is this Sunday 14th July (from 5pm – 6:30pm). If anyone is interested in becoming involved in any way or wishes to join our Youth Ministry Team, please contact Fr. Steven on 07458629296 [PLEASE SEE POSTER IN THE CHURCH PORCH]. **Please note that letters to parents, together with consent forms are available for collecting from Fr. Steven or Fr. Michael.**

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. **1979** meals were delivered in **June**. 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.

Diocesan Appointments: Congratulations to Canon Jonathan Veasey has been appointed Vicar General of the Archdiocese and to Canon Brian McGinley has been appointed Dean of St. Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham. We wish them every blessing and keep them in our prayers.

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. It is recommended that Pilgrims bring their own chairs.

Missio: Thanks to all who support the work of Missio with your prayers and donations collected in the Red Mission Boxes. Your continuous support is greatly appreciated. Please help yourselves to the copies of Mission Today Summer 2024 Impact Report in the porch. Feel free to take some for your friends.

School Masses: School Masses this coming week will be Masses of Thanksgiving for the blessings of the past academic year. Our grateful thanks to all our teachers, staff, students, and governors for all their hard work in the past year. Hopefully each Mass will include a prayer of thanksgiving for a great win in Germany on Sunday!!!!!!

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.