



ST AUSTIN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 2nd June 2024

Corpus Christi

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Psalter: Week 4 | Weekday Cycle: Year I

Saturday 1 st	5.00 p.m.	Holy Mass	Willie O'Donovan
Sunday 2 nd	11.00 a.m.	Holy Mass	Eva & Patrick Devlin
Monday 3 rd	10.30 a.m.	Requiem	Roy Joseph Bott
Tuesday 4 th	9.15 a.m. (STA) 10.00 a.m.	Holy Mass Holy Mass	Anthony Hodgkinson Pam Knowles
Wednesday 5 th	12.00 Noon	Holy Mass	Sebastian Thambusamy
Thursday 6 th	9.15 a.m. (BMT) 10.00 a.m.	Holy Mass Holy Mass	William Rafferty Peter Hereford
Friday 7 th	10.00 a.m. 11.30 a.m. (BWH)	Holy Mass Holy Mass	Michael Crook John Coll

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year of Mark (Year B)

Saturday 8 th	5.00 p.m.	Holy Mass	Bill Barnes
Sunday 9 th	11.00 a.m.	Holy Mass	Tony Nolan

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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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: £208.00

Gift Aid: £234.73

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: Marjorie Williams, Elizabeth Dale, John Ritchie, Ellen Oakley, Ann Rudkin, Cecilia Joel, Peter Wood, Elizabeth Lawton, Elizabeth Wright, Thomas McCurry, Gordon Davies, Patrick Jocelyn, Lawrence Dowd, Ellen Godwin, Ernest Tyson, John Sandy, John Moran, Ellen Laverty, Gerald Waters, Margaret Treadwell, Alice Adams, Charles Smith, Michael Curran, Jerome Brookes, Joseph Dooley, Mary Hodgetts, Katie Macken, Fr. John Lane, Fr. Peter Gallagher, Fr. Benedict Tarbuck, Fr. John Crean, Canon Harry Boucher, Bishop James Dey.

Welcome: A warm welcome to all as we gather to celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi.

First Holy Communion: Congratulations to the Children who have been instructed in the faith in recent times and will celebrate their First Holy Communion at the Vigil Mass of Corpus Christi this Saturday.

Baptisms: Congratulations to the Stephenson and Varughese Jackson families whose children Sebastian Reginald and Joshua will be baptised and welcomed into the Church this weekend.

Recently Deceased: Please pray for **Roy Joseph Bott** who died recently. His **Reception** and **Funeral Mass** is this Monday, 3rd June at 10.30 a.m. followed by Burial at Tixall Road Cemetery at 12.00 Noon.

Robert Fleming, father of Fr. Steven. His Reception is on Monday 10th June at 6.00 p.m. in St. Anne's Church, Bridle Lane, Streetly B74 3HB. His Funeral Mass is at 11.30 a.m. on Tuesday 11th June at St. Anne's. May God grant them eternal peace and rest.

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 COURSE: The ALPHA Course resumes at St. Anne's Parish Hall this Monday at 7.00 p.m. All are most welcome.

Sacrament of Confirmation: This year as part of our three parishes working together, we are bringing the pupils of our four primary schools together for one celebration of Confirmation. We will rotate the celebration to a different church every year. This Year at St. Patrick's Church at 7.00 p.m. on Thursday 13th June.

Joint Choirs for Confirmation: In support of our four primary schools celebrating Confirmation together we invite people from our three parishes to form a Choir for the celebration of the Confirmation Mass on Thursday 13th June at 7.00 p.m. If anyone would like to be part of that Choir you are invited to attend the practice at:

St. Patrick's Church on Thursday 6th June at 7.30 p.m.

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.

New Publication: There is a poster on the board in the porch with details of a new publication by Helen Harwood : **"Churches of Staffordshire"** It has features on twelve Catholic Churches including St. Austin's.

Cursillo Message: Save the date, All are warmly invited to a Cursillo Encounter Day at St Anne's Parish Hall on **Saturday July 6th**. A day of fun, fellowship and formation. More details to follow.

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 -New CEO: Following the retirement of Andy Quinn, Joanne Watters has been appointed the New CEO. See the notice on the board in the porch for more details. We wish Joanne every blessing in her new post.

Grateful Thanks: Fr. Steven wishes to thank everyone for the many cards and messages of support he has received on the death of his father, Robert Fleming.

Weekday Mass Time Changes: Please note Mass time changes this coming week:

Monday at 10.30 a.m.

Friday at 10.00 a.m.

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.