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| 21st July 2019  Mass Times & Intentions | | | |
| Mass Book: Page 112| Sunday Cycle: Year C  Psalter: Week 4 | Weekday Cycle: Year I | | | |
| ***16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*** | | | |
| Saturday | Confessions | 3.45pm – 4.15pm | |
|  | Vigil Mass | 4.30 pm | Sandy Family R.I.P. |
| Sunday | Mass | 10.30 am | Doreen & Michael Furllong |
|  | Mass | 6.00 pm | S. Z. Wojtulewicz |
| Monday  ***St. Mary Magdalene*** | Mass | 10.00 am | Paul McGrath |
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| Tuesday  ***St. Bridget of Sweden*** | Mass | **10.00 am** | People of the Parish |
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| Wednesday | Mass | 7.00 pm | Matthew Prendergast |
| ***Feria*** |  |  |  |
| Thursday | **Funeral Mass** | **12.30 pm** | **Matthew Prendergast** |
| ***St. James*** |  |  |  |
| Friday  ***Ss. Anne & Joachim*** | Mass | **10.00 am** | Moira & Ken Wilson |
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| Saturday | Mass | 10.00 am | Pat Collins |
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| ***B. Robert Sutton*** | Confessions & Exposition | 10.30 am – 11.30 am | |
| **17th Sunday in Ordinary Time** | | | |
| Saturday | Confessions | 3.45 pm – 4.15 pm | |
| ***Easter Feria*** | Vigil Mass | 4.30 pm | Valerie Phillips |
| Sunday | Mass | 10.30 am | Private Intyention |
|  | Mass | 6.00 pm | Margaret Garrett |
| Primary School Masses: St Austin’s (STA) & Blessed Mother Teresa’s (BMT) | | | |

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| **Weekly Events in the Parish**  **Monday** - Convent Prayer Group:  St Joseph’s Nursing Home in the  Convent Chapel at 1.30 p.m.  **Tuesday** - Knit & Natter Group:  Meets in the Parish Room at 2.00 p.m.  **Thursday** - **Choir Practice:**  Every Thursday evening at 7.30 p.m.  **Rosary:**  A Decade of the Rosary is said after each  weekday Mass in Church. |
| **Our Parish Schools**  **Blessed Mother Teresa of Kolkata Primary**  Address: Somerset Road, Stafford, ST 17 9UZ  Telephone: 01785 413276  Website: www.bmtschool.co.uk  **St. Austin’s Primary**  Address: Garden Street, Stafford, ST17 4BT  Telephone: 01785 413277  Website: www.st-austins.org.uk  **Blessed William Howard Catholic High School**  Address: Rowley Avenue, Stafford, ST17 9AB  Telephone: 01785 244236  Website: www.bwh.staffs.sch.uk |
| **Other Catholic Churches in Stafford**  St. Anne’s:  Parish Priest: Fr. Robert Devaney  Address: Lynton Avenue, Stafford, ST17 0EA  Telephone: 01785 661012  Email: stannes.stafford@gmail.com  Website: www.st-annes-st.org.uk  Saturday: Confessions 5.30pm  Vigil Mass 6.00pm  Sunday: Mass 11.15am  **St. Patrick’s:** *Served from St Anne’s*  Address: 48 Sandon Road, Stafford, ST16 3HF  Sunday: Confessions 9.00am  Mass 9.30am |
| **Offertory Collection**  **Gift Aid Envelopes: £546.76**  **Loose: £344.81**  **Apostleship of the Sea: £386.74**    ***Many thanks for your offerings last week*** |

**ST. AUSTIN’S NEWSLETTER**

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**Parish Clergy**

**Parish Priest:** Canon Michael Neylon

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***Quote from Pope Francis’ Apostolic Exhortation “Amoris Laetitia”***

***Chapter 4* Love in Marriage**, The Transformation of Love

163 Longer life spans now mean that close and exclusive relationships must last for four, five or even six decades; consequently, the initial decision has to be frequently renewed. While one of the spouses may no longer experience an intense sexual desire for the other, he or she may still experience the pleasure of mutual belonging and the knowledge that neither of them is alone but has a “partner” with whom everything in life is shared. He or she is a companion on life’s journey, one with whom to face life’s difficulties and enjoy its pleasures. This satisfaction is part of the affection proper to conjugal love

**Anniversaries**

Marion O’Sullivan, Alfred Couchman, Bernard Smith, Patrick Daly, Jean Harries, Suzanne Lockley, Mary Scahill, John Neenan, Daniel Guilfoyle, Leonard Beatty, Elizabeth Cronin, Winifred Cronin, Edward Dacey, William Bailey, Ken Wright, Patrick Henegan, Edgar Griffiths, Daniel Woods, Ursula Ryan, Edith Inger, John McMahon, Ron Marsden, Henry Taylor, Louis Garbalch, Maureen Spinetto, Catherine Lynch, Kate Woods, Patrick Cullen, Wilfred Dennison, Eileen Arthur, Larry Mooney, Brian Ellis, Margaret Owen, Jerzy Rutyna,

**Counters:** Group 1 this week. Group 2 is next week.

**Refreshments:** Refreshments are served in the Parish Hall after the 10.30 a.m. Mass every Sunday**.** All are very welcome.

**Piety Room:** Thanks for your continuous support of the Piety Room. As well as the Catholic papers a variety of cards, rosaries and other items are available.

**Adios Fr. P.J. O’Driscoll:** Welcome and thanks to Fr. P.J. for coming to celebrate the 10.30 a.m. Mass this Sunday. This will be his final Mass with us as he leaves in the coming week to take up his next post with the Royal Fusiliers Regiment in Tidworth. We thank him for being generous with his time and helping out in the local parishes while he was based at Beacon Barracks in Stafford. We wish him every blessing and good wish in his new appointment.

**Baptism:** Congratulations to the Swallow Family whose daughter Ciara Louise will be baptised and welcomed into the Church this Sunday.

**Fr. Paul Haines:** Congratulations to Fr. Paul who has recovered well after prolonged treatment for his voice. It will be my privilege to induct him as Parish Priest of St. Mary’s Parish, Uttoxeter at Mass in St. Mary’s this Monday at 7.00 p.m. Many will remember him from the time he was Assistant Priest here from 2007 to 2008. We wish him renewed health and every blessing at Uttoxeter.

**Recently Deceased:** Please remember in prayer

**Matthew Prendergast** who died last Monday. His Reception is on Wednesday at 6.45 p.m. and his Funeral Mass is on Thursday at 12.30 p.m. with burial at Tixall Road Cemetery at 2.00 p.m.

Remember also **Monsignor Louis McRaye** whose Funeral Mass will be at 12.00 Noon in St. Chad’s Cathedral in Birmingham on Monday 29th July.

May God grant them eternal rest and peace.

**Walsingham Pilgrimage:** Bon Voyage to all who are travelling to Walsingham with the Annual Stafford Pilgrimage this coming weekend. The Pilgrimage begins with Mass here at St. Austin’s at 10.00 a.m. on Friday and all are welcome to attend. The coach will leave after Mass from Austin Friars. ***There are letters in the porch for all pilgrims with details of the programme and itinerary***.

**Wedding Celebrations:** Congratulations to Susan and Zbigniew Wojtulewicz who will celebrate their Fortieth (Ruby) Wedding Anniversary this Sunday.

Congratulation also to Moira and Ken Wilson who will celebrate their Fiftieth (Golden) Wedding Anniversary on Friday.

Congratulations and every blessing to Laura Kibble and Robert Killeen who will be married here on Friday next.

**Flower Arranging:** We are grateful to all who give so generously of their time in providing flowers to decorate the Altars and the Church. They help to enrich our liturgical celebrations. For various health and other reasons some people are unable to continue and we need some more volunteers to join the group. Training will be provided. ***If you would like to help, please contact Margaret Garrett on 01785 259303 or sign the list in the porch.***

**Christian Food Help:** All at CFH thank you for your continuous and generous support that enabled **656** food parcels to be distributed during **June.**

**Brushstrokes**: Many thanks to all who have donated so generously to Brushstrokes.  Your donations have been very much appreciated. There is an ongoing need for food, toiletries and children's clothes-could we also appeal for nappies, kitchenware-pots, pans, crockery and cutlery.  Towels and bed linen would also be gratefully received. Thank you again for your great generosity.

**Recent News from Brushstrokes: *We learned during the week that Brushstrokes are in the process of moving to new premises in Smethwick and have asked that NO MORE DONATIONS BE MADE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.***

**Cemetery Sunday:** Thanks to all who took part in the celebration of Cemetery Sunday on Sunday last. Our grateful thanks to the cemetery authorities for making the Chapel available to us for the short Prayer Service. We are also very grateful to the priests from the local parishes who came and helped with the blessing of the graves.