



ST. AUSTIN'S NEWSLETTER

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9th September 2018

Mass Times and Intentions

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Psalter: Week 3 | Weekday Cycle: Year 2

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	Confessions	3.45pm – 4.15pm	
	Vigil Mass	4.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	Mass	10.30am	Peter Shaw
	Mass	6.00pm	John Foster
Monday <i>Feria</i>	Mass	10.00am	Francis Harper
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>	Mass (STA)	9.15am	The Dempsey Family
Wednesday <i>Feria</i>	Mass (St. Joseph's)	10.30 am	Noel Moffatt
Thursday <i>St. John Chrysostom</i>	Mass (Church)	7.00 pm	B. & C. Saunders
Friday <i>Exaltation of the Cross</i>	Mass (BMT)	9.15 am	Mrs. Fantuzzo
	Mass (Church)	12.00 Noon	Christopher Salmon
Saturday <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	Mass	10.00am	Ivy Booth
	Exposition	Until 11.30am	
	Confessions	10.30am – 11.30am	
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Saturday	Confessions	3.45pm – 4.15pm	
	Vigil Mass	4.30pm	Jim Barry
Sunday	Mass	10.30am	Anthony Malone
	Mass	6.00pm	People of the Parish

Primary School Masses: St Austin's (STA) & Blessed Mother Teresa's (BMT)

Quote from Pope Francis Apostolic Exhortation, "Amoris Laetitia" Chapter 4. LOVE IN MARRIAGE. *Marrying for love*

131 (Continued) As a social institution, marriage protects and shapes a shared commitment to deeper growth in love and commitment to one another, for the good of society as a whole. That is why marriage is more than a fleeting fashion; it is of enduring importance. Its essence derives from our human nature and social character. It involves a series of obligations born of love itself, a love so serious and generous that it is ready to face any risk.

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: £504.48

Loose: £317.10

Many thanks for your offerings last week

Anniversaries:

Patricia Coleman, Roderick Stanley, Stephen Dawkes, Katie Foley, Brian Fitzpatrick, Dilys Willis, Elizabeth Shields, Martina Moxon, Elizabeth Hodson, Kathleen Owen, Aniela Masternak, Georgina Jackson, John Dagnall, Christopher Salmon, Elizabeth Wilding, Phyllis Coia, Gillian Clark, Marguerite Sandy, Celestine Nwaka, Maurice Neligan, John Quinn, Kieran Kilcollum, Daniel Scullion, Patrick Hirrell, Marie Hall, Fr. David Hutt, Fr. Dominic Round, Fr. Guy Colman, Fr. Richard Dinnis, Fr. Patrick Meagher.

General Notices

Counters: Group 4 this week. Group 1 is next week.

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

Piety Room: Thanks for your continuous support of the Piety Room. As well as the Catholic papers a variety of cards and rosaries are available. Copies of Pope Francis most recent Apostolic Exhortation, "Gaudate et Exsultate" (Rejoice and Be Glad) are available.

Catholic Education Service Collection: The second collection this weekend is the annual one to support the work of the Catholic Education Service. This work involves supporting the wellbeing of our Catholic Schools and Colleges as well as negotiating with the Department for Education on behalf of the Bishops of England and Wales.

Adoremus, Eucharistic Congress: The Adoremus, Eucharistic Congress, to encourage Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament began in Liverpool on Friday and concludes this Sunday with Solemn Mass and a Procession with the Blessed Sacrament around the streets of Liverpool in the afternoon.

To unite with the Celebrations and Procession in Liverpool there will be a Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament here in Church this Sunday at 1.45 p.m. It will conclude at 2.45 pm with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, the same time it is taking place in Liverpool.

Monthly Mass: The monthly Mass at St. Joseph's Convent Nursing Home is on Wednesday next at 10.30 a.m. All are most welcome. Please note there is no evening Mass in Church on Wednesday

Other Weekday Mass Time Changes this week: Please note that Mass on Thursday will be at 7.00 p.m. in Church.

Mass at **Blessed Mother Teresa School** will be at **9.15 a.m.** on **Friday** this week.

Mass will also be celebrated in Church at 12.00 Noon on Friday.

Padre Pio Prayer Group: The next meeting of the Group is on Friday 21st September at 10.30 a.m. in the Parish Room. All are very welcome.

Pilgrimage of the Sick: There are details on the board in the porch of a Pilgrimage to the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Hednesford on Sunday next, 16th September. It will be led by Bishop Robert Byrne. It is for all those who are sick, their families and carers, Chaplains and Chaplaincy Volunteers and Healthcare Workers and Volunteers.

Home Mission Sunday: Next Sunday is Home Mission Sunday. **On this day the Bishops invite parishes to pray for the mission of the Church in England and Wales. The second collection is the annual one to support the Bishops' work of evangelisation.**

B.W.H. Open Evening: There is an Open Evening at Blessed William Howard catholic High School on Monday 24th September from 6.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. All are very welcome.

Diocesan Celebration Day: There is a notice on the board in the porch with details of the Diocesan Celebration Day at St. Thomas More Catholic School, Nuneaton. CV 10 7EX on Sunday 14th October. It is an opportunity to celebrate our involvement in the World Meeting of Families, The Youth Synod and Adoremus. It will also celebrate the canonisation of Blessed Oscar Romero and Blessed Pope Paul VI alongside five others.

Christian Food Help: Thanks for your continuous and generous support of Christian Food Help that enabled **804** food parcels to be delivered during August.

Grateful Thanks: Thanks to everyone who made my 70th Birthday a wonderful and enjoyable celebration on Wednesday last. Thanks everyone who cleaned and decorated the Church with all the beautiful floral arrangements, to the Choir and the Priests & Deacons who concelebrated the Mass of Thanksgiving.

A Big Thank You to all who cleaned, prepared and decorated the Parish Hall for the Party that followed. So many people worked so hard preparing the Hog Roast as well as supplying the many other food and drink items, Birthday Cakes as well as serving them. Thanks for making my family and friends feel so welcome. Finally, thank you for your many birthday cards, gifts (not all of them opened yet!!!) and the most generous envelope presented by Deacon Louis.

Fr. Michael