

**ST. AUSTIN’S NEWSLETTER**

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**Parish Clergy**

**Parish Priest:** Canon Michael Neylon

**Priest in Residence:** Fr. Joseph Narikuzhi

**Permanent Deacon:** Rev. Louis Livesey

**Parish Safeguarding Representative:** Mrs. Sue Kelly, 07875549906

Rev. David McCarrol

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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 Thursdayevening at 7.30 p.m.

**Staffordshire County Hospital:**

11.00 a.m. - 12.00 Noon.

**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 413277Website: 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

Sat: 5.30 pm. Confessions before 6 pm. Vigil Mass

Sun: 11.15 a.m. Mass

**St. Patrick’s:** *Served from St Anne’s*

Address: 48 Sandon Road, Stafford, ST16 3HF

Sun: 9.00 a.m. Confessions before 9.30 a.m. Mass.

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| **Thanks for your Offerings last week**    Gift Aid Envelopes: £ 548.89  Loose: £322.78 |
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**Quote from Pope Francis Apostolic Exhortation, “Amoris Laetitia” (The Joy of Love)**

***Chapter 4.* LOVE IN MARRIAGE.** *Love endures all things*

122. We should not however confuse different levels: there is no need to lay upon two limited persons the tremendous burden of having to reproduce perfectly the union existing between Christ and his Church, for marriage as a sign

entails “a dynamic process…, one which advances gradually with the progressive integration of the gifts of God”.

**Anniversaries**

Elizabeth Dale, John Ritchie, Ellen Oakley, Ann Rudkin, Celilia 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, Alice Adams, Charles smith, Michael Curran, Jerome Brookes, Joseph Dooley, Mary Hodgetts, Katie Macken, Julia Murphy, Austin Kenny, Bridget Wagstaff, William Hingerty, Anne Groves, Frs. B. Tarbuck, J. Crean, H. Bouchier, P. Gallagher,J. Day, D. Sheil, T. Hampson, J. McIver, J. Lane, B. Robinson, T. Cronin, Deacon P. Phelan.

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| **3rd June 2018** | | | |  |  |
| **Corpus Christi** | | | |  |
| Mass Book: Page 85 | | Sunday Cycle: Year B | |  |
| Psalter: Week 1 | | Weekday Cycle: Year 2 | |  |
| **Mass Times** | | | |  |
| **Saturday** | Confessions | 3.45 p.m. – 4.15 p.m. | |  |
|  | Vigil Mass | 4.30 p.m. | Joan Lewis |  | - |
| **Sunday** | Mass  Mass | 10.30 a.m.  6.00 p.m**.** | Margaret & Frank Toner  People of the Parish |  |
| **Monday**  ***Feria*** | Mass | 9.15 a.m. | Joan Lewis |  |
| **Tuesday**  ***St. Boniface*** | Mass **(In Church)** | **9.15 a.m**. | Paul Whiston |  |
| **Wednesday**  ***St. Norbert*** | Mass | 7.00 p.m. | Terry Grisewood |  |
| **Thursday**  ***Feria*** | Mass **(BMT)** | 9.15 a.m. | Private Intention |  |
| **Friday**  ***Solemnity of the Sacred Heart*** | Mass | 12.00 Noon. | Private Intention |  |
| **Saturday**  ***Feria*** | Mass | 10.00 a.m**.** | Liam Hicks |  |
| **Exposition & Confessions 10.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.** | | |  |
| **Tenth Sunday of Ordinary Time** | | | |  |
| **Saturday** | **Confessions** | **10.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m**. | |  |
| Vigil Mass | 4.30.p.m**.** | People of the Parish |  |
| **Sunday** | Mass. | 10.30 a.m.  6.00 p.m. | Richard Perry  Bill Barnes |  |
| ***School Masses:*** (STA) = St. Austin’s, (BMT) = Blessed Mother Teresa’s | | | |  |  |

**Counters:** Group 2 this week. Group 3 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 weekly Catholic papers a variety of cards, rosaries are available. Copies of the recent Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis, “Gaudate et Exsultate” (Rejoice and Be Glad) are available.

**Pastoral Letter:** There is a Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Bernard Longley to be read at all Masses this weekend.

**Grateful Thanks:** There are letters on the board in the porch from Fr. Melaku Tafesse expressing gratitude and thanks for the recent Mission Appeal that raised £859.98.

**Church Cleaning**: All help will be appreciated with the Church Cleaning after the morning Mass on Monday.

**First Communion:** Please pray for the families who will celebrate First Communion at the 10.30 a.m. Mass next Sunday. As the first ten seats of both sides will be reserved for them and many other guests will be attending, some people may prefer to go to an alternative weekend Mass.

**Walsingham Association:** This year’s Stafford Pilgrimage is from the 27th to the 29th July. Forty Four (44) places have been booked at Walsingham. Application Forms with details of Single/Double rooms and prices are available in the porch.

To book a place, please take a Form and return it to the Parish Office **A.S.A.P.** The end of June will be the deadline for final numbers and payments.

**There are still seventeen (17) places available**.

**Cycle Challenge:** Thanks to everyone who has sponsored the Annual Cycle Challenge to support the work of Katherine House. So far we have collected **£1378.00.**

**Senior Citizens June Meeting:** The June meeting will be in the Parish Room next Wednesday, 6th June at 2.00 p.m. It will feature a Beetle Drive.

All are welcome.

**Senior Citizens Coach Trip:** All are welcome to join the Coach Trip to Llandudno on Wednesday 4th July. It will leave from Austin Friars at 9.00 a.m. and depart from Llandudno at 5.00 p.m. The cost will be about £20 if they can fill the coach. There is a list in the porch and contact Bryan on 01785 601802

**Christian Food Help:** Thanks for your continuous and generous support of Christian Food Help that enabled **819** food parcels to be delivered during May.

**Brushstrokes Message:** Many thanks for all your very generous donations. Food and toiletries are always very welcome and there is a special need at the moment for jars of baby food.

**Welcoming Refugees:** Following the recent talk by Teresa Clement from Fr. Hudson’s Care a number of people indicated a willingness to volunteer and help.

There is a list in the porch to give details of names and contact details and indicate some the following areas of interest.

**1)** Giving lifts to and from the fortnightly Socials at St. Austin’s Parish Hall (DBS required for this). Availability of child booster seats would be helpful.

**2)** Giving lifts for occasional trips out for the families

**3)** Helping at the Socials, e.g. helping with reading, homework and games for the second hour.

**4)** Visiting homes and having conversational English sessions with men and women (DBS required)

**Diary Dates:** Please note the following dates & events:

**Sunday 10th June**: 10.30 a.m. First Communion Mass.

**Sunday 1st July**: Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in Hednesford.

**Wednesday 4th July**: Bishop David McGough will visit our two Primary Schools.

**Sunday 8th July:** Bishop David McGough will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 10.30 a.m. Mass.

**Saturday 14th July:** Concert presented in Church by Midlands Chorale to raise funds for Loreto Sealdah.

**27th – 29th July:** Stafford Pilgrimage to Walsingham

**21st – 26th August:** The World Meeting of Families in Dublin, The Mackie Family to represent our Deanery

**7th - 9th September, Adoremus:** National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress in Liverpool. More details will follow later.