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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: £443.80**  **Loose: £361.60**    **Catholic Communications: £386.10**  ***Many thanks for your offerings last week*** |

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| 9th June 2019  Mass Times & Intentions | | | |
| Mass Book: Page 294 | Sunday Cycle: Year C  Psalter: Week 2 | Weekday Cycle: Year I | | | |
| ***Pentecost Sunday*** | | | |
| Saturday | Confessions | 3.45pm – 4.15pm | |
|  | Vigil Mass | 4.30 pm | Bill Barnes |
| Sunday | Mass | 10.30 am | John McNamara |
|  | Mass | 6.00 pm | People of the Parish |
| Monday  ***Mary Mother of the Church*** | Mass | 10.00 am | Helen O’Malley |
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| Tuesday  ***St. Barnabas*** | Mass **(In Church)** | **9.15 am** | The Carrick Family |
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| Wednesday | Mass | 7.00 pm | Mary Bridget Meade |
| ***Feria*** |  |  |  |
| Thursday | Mass **(BMT)** | 9.15 am | Louis Livesey |
| ***Christ Eternal High priest*** |  |  |  |
| Friday  ***Feria*** | Mass | 12.00 Noon | Roy Buckingham |
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| Saturday | Mass | 10.00 am | Kath Warde |
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| ***Feria*** | Confessions & Exposition | 10.30 am – 11.30 am | |
| **Trinity Sunday** | | | |
| Saturday | Confessions | 3.45 pm – 4.15 pm | |
| ***Easter Feria*** | Vigil Mass | 4.30 pm | The Leddy Family |
| Sunday | Mass | 10.30 am | Richard Jones |
|  | Mass | 6.00 pm | People of the Parish |
| Primary School Masses: St Austin’s (STA) & Blessed Mother Teresa’s (BMT) | | | |

**ST. AUSTIN’S NEWSLETTER**

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**Parish Clergy**

**Parish Priest:** Canon Michael Neylon

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

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

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

***Chapter 4* Love in Marriage**, *Marriage & Virginity*

161. The value of virginity lies in its symbolizing a love that has no need to possess the other; in this way it reflects the freedom of the Kingdom of Heaven. Virginity encourages married couples to live their own conjugal love against the backdrop of Christ’s definitive love, journeying

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On the one hand, it is a particular reflection

of that full unity in distinction found in the

Trinity.

**Anniversaries**

Julia Murphy, Austin Kenny, Bridget Wagstaff, William Hingerty, Anne Groves, Helena O’Leary, Bridget Cambridge, Kate Doyle, Pamela Foster, Mary Meade, Robert Brown, Gil Edensor, Michael Greenslade, Cyril Sandy, James Baker, George & Catherine Carrick, Jack Williams, James King, Michala Mold, Edward Ralph, William English, Thomas Weetman, Anne Steele, Catherine Peggs, Maggie Thompson, Nuala Brown, Patrick Morris, Eileen Forbes, Mary Bishop, Marion Alcock, Frs. T Hampton, J McIver, J Lane, B Robinson, T Cronin, W Quinn, G McArdle, C Adams, J Lanny.

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**Counters:** Group 3 this week. Group 4 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.

**Pentecost Sunday:** This Sunday we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost and bring the Celebration of Easter to a conclusion. The Easter Candle and Easter Water will be removed from the Sanctuary on Sunday evening.

**Reception:** During the 10.30 a.m. Mass this Sunday Laura Kibble will be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. We welcome her and congratulate her at this great stage of her faith journey and assure her of our support and prayers.

**Cycle Challenge:** Thanks to all who have very generously sponsored Team St. Austin’s Cycle Challenge. The Coffee Morning in the Parish Hall last Sunday raised just over £291.00. Sponsorship and various donations have now brought the total raised to **£2803.77.** Well done everybody.

**Recently Deceased:** Please remember in prayer **Elise Patricia Spilsbury:** Her Reception is on Thursday20th June at 4.30 p.m. and her Funeral Mass is on Friday 21st June at 11.00 a.m.

May God grant her eternal peace and rest.

**BBQ Invitation:** Fr. Bob and the parishioners of St. Anne’s and St. Patrick’s invite us to their Annual Parish BBQ on Friday 21st June at 7.00 p.m. in St. Anne’s Church Presbytery Garden. There is a poster in the porch and a list to sign on the shelf.

**Message from our CAFOD Group:** Please visit [https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/ Climate-](https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/%20%20Climate-)Change for details of CAFOD’ New Campaign on “Our Common Home” CAFOD will be taking part in the Mass Lobby of Parliament on June 26th. More details later. We hope to arrange a meeting soon to see what we in Stafford can do to celebrate “Our Common Home”.

**Walsingham Pilgrimage 26th – 28th July 2019:** Just a reminder to all Pilgrims to pay the deposits and fees as soon as possible. There is one double sharing place remaining. Please contact Helen Perry on 07837519253 for further details.

**Dowry Tour:** There are details on the board in the porch of the Dowry Tour of Our Lady of Walsingham at St. Chad’s Cathedral, Birmingham from the 20th – 2nd June.

**Annual Pilgrimage:** There are also details in the porch of the Annual Pilgrimage in Thanksgiving at the Shrine of St. Winifrede, Holywell on Sunday 23rd June.

**Padre Pio Prayer Group:** The next meeting of the Group is on Friday 28th June at 10.30 a.m. in the Parish Room.

**Letters of Thanks:** There are two letters of thanks on the board in the porch. The first is from Mary Ward International Ireland thanking us for the donation of **£1314.15** for Loreto Sealdah in Kolkata raised through the Lenten Friday Soup Lunches.

The second is from CAFOD thanking us for the **£1074.00** raised from the Lent Fast Day and the **£1143.83** raised for the Cyclone Idai Appeal.

**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

**Christian Food Help:** All at CFH thank you for your continuous and generous support that enabled **776** food parcels to be distributed during **May**.

**Diary Dates:** Please note the following days and dates for forthcoming events:

**Sunday 23rd June**: First Holy Communion at the 10.30 a.m. Mass.

**Sunday 7th July:** Celebration of Confirmation with Bishop David McGough at the 10.30 a.m. Mass.

**Sunday 7th July**: Diocesan Pilgrimage to Hednesford.

**Sunday 14th July**: Cemetery Sunday. Blessing of Graves

**Saturday 20th July:** Mass at St. Thomas Mill Farm.

**Friday 26th – Sunday 28th July:** Annual Stafford Pilgrimage to Walsingham.