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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: stannestpatrick.stafford.org.uk  Website: www.st-annes-st.org.uk  Vigil Mass 6.30pm  Sunday: Mass 9.30 am  **St. Patrick’s:** *Served from St Anne’s*  Address: 48 Sandon Road, Stafford, ST16 3HF  Saturday (Vigil Mass) **1.00 p.m.**  Sunday **8.00 a.m.** |
| **Offertory Collection**  **Gift Aid Envelopes: £157.10**  **Loose: £71.73**  **CAFOD: £55.00 Fr. Hudson’s: £7.40**  ***Many thanks for your offerings last week*** |

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| **1st November 2020**  Mass Times & Intentions | | | |
| Mass Book: Page 1. Sunday Cycle: Year A  Psalter: Week 3. Weekday Cycle: Year 2 | | | |
| **Solemnity of All Saints** | | | |
| Sunday | Mass | **11.00 am** | People of the Parish |
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| Monday  ***All Souls Day*** | Mass | 10.00am | Holy Souls  Denny McCarthy |
| Tuesday  ***Feria*** | Mass | 10.00 am | Robert Delany |
| Wednesday  ***St. Charles Borromeo*** | Mass | **7.00 pm** | Beverley Thelwell |
| Thursday  ***Feria*** | Mass **(BMT)** | 9.15 am | Ann O’Hara  Alice Burge |
| Friday  ***Feria*** | Mass    **No** | **12.00 Noon** | Pat Short  Jack Duxbury |
| Saturday  ***Vigil Mass Sunday*** | **Mass** | **5.00 pm** | Fred Thornton |
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| **Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time** | | | |
| Sunday | Mass | **11.00 am** People of the Parish | |
| Primary School Masses: St Austin’s (STA) & Blessed Mother Teresa’s (BMT) | | | |

**ST. AUSTIN’S NEWSLETTER**

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**Diocesan Website:** www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

**Parish Clergy**

**Parish Priest:** Canon Michael Neylon

**Assistant Priest:** Fr. Simon Baker

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

Rev. David McCarrol

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**The God Who Speaks – The Year of the Word**

**MARRIAGE MATTERS** ([www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk](http://www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk))

**Solemnity of All Saints**

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**We too may go through tough times**

Today’s Gospel tells us that it is not only when we are strong that we live out God’s plan for our marriage. Sometimes, when we are weak, our Sacramental way of life is mainly using our energy to minister to each other. A lot of joy can be found when we walk down a difficult road together.

**Anniversaries**

Alfred Coia, Assumta Casser, Thomas Madigan, Paddy Pate, Michael Quinn, Edward Treanor, Eric Cunningham, Edward Headley, Ellen Newsome, Nancy McDonagh, Peggy Rafferty, James Beatty, Donald Howe, Giovanni Ravagnani, Barry Bates, Zigmunt Jagiello, Edna Eley, Thomas McAnerney, Louise Lenteritz, Michael Sheehan, Theresa Hirrell, Leslie James, Marion Bell, Eric Hill, Kate Lyons, Mary Burns, Louis Norman, Agnes Devoy, Mary MacAuliffe, James Moran, Sarah Bentley, John Perpoint, Leonard Gage, Mrs Wallbank, Winnifred Spedding, John Harper, Mary Logan, Katherine Egan, Bill Bristow, Martin Cummings, Frederick Thornton, Fr. Henry Taylor, Deacon Paul Grosvenor, Bishop John Barrett, Fr. Louis Moore, Fr. Denis Toplass, Archbishop Maurice Couve de Murville, Fr. James Curtin, Fr. James Broomfield, Canon Patrick Smith, Mgr. Bertram Gould, Fr. John Brisland.

**Welcome:** As wemove into High Alert

(Tier 2) this weekend let us return to use the prayer to St Roch,a saint invoked in times of plague and pestilence:

**O most merciful God, who through an angel, promised St Roch that all who invoked his name will be preserved from pestilent and contagious diseases. Grant that through his intercession we may be preserved from all dangers both of soul and body. Through Jesus Christ our Lord**

**All Saints Day:** This Sunday, 1st November, we keep the Solemnity of All Saints.

**Johnson Association Collection:** Thanks to all who took the envelopes last weekend for the Johnson Association Collection this weekend. The proceeds will support the work of the Association in its caring for the retired and infirm priests of the archdiocese. As the Association is a registered charity, donations can be gift aided by signing the appropriate section of the envelope

**All Souls Day:** Monday, 2nd November is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Mass is at 10.00 a.m. and will be live streamed

**Change to Friday Mass Time:** Please note that from this Friday onwards, 6th November, Mass on Fridays will be celebrated at 12.00 Noon

**November Lists:** Sacred Scripture reminds us thatIt is a holy and a wholesome thought to remember and pray for the dead, and so traditionally we keep November as the month of the Holy Souls. Please put the names of deceased parishioners, relatives, friends and loved ones in envelopes and place them in the Parish Casket on the sanctuary to be remembered in all the November Masses.

**Annual Mass:** The **11.00 a.m**. Mass on Sunday 22nd November will be offered for who died in the past year. Due to the various restrictions and the uncertainty of a possible lockdown, it will not be possible to invite people who had a bereavement in the past year to attend and partake of refreshments afterwards as we have done in previous years.

**Christian Food Help:** Grateful thanks for your continuousand generous support of CFH. That support has enabled **1294** food parcels to be distributed during October.

**Masses at St. Anne’s & St. Patrick’s this week:**

Monday 9.30 a.m. at St. Anne’s

Tuesday 9.30 a.m. at St. Patrick’s

Thursday 6.30 p.m. at St. Patrick’s

Friday 6.30 p.m. at St. Anne’s

**Recently Deceased:** Please remember in Prayer Fr. Tom Williams, retired priest of the Archdiocese who died las week. His Funeral Mass will be in the Czech Republic this weekend. May he rest in God’s peace.

**Fr. Hudson’s Care & CAFOD:** Thanks for the very generous responses to the appeals for CAFOD and Fr. Hudson’s Care. The total raised were: **£377.98** for **CAFOD** and **£362.40** for **Fr**. **Hudson’s Care**.

**Grateful Thanks:** Our grateful thanks to all our volunteer stewards and cleaners who enable us to celebrate Mass. If we did not have them we could not have Mass. We owe them a debt of gratitude.

If anyone would like to join the eight teams of Stewards and Cleaners for the Public Masses, please contact Fr. Michael.

***Reminder of procedures for Mass***

**Wear a face covering on entering the church.**

**Enter and Exit by separate doors.**

**Sanitize hands on entry and exit.**

**Observe One Metre+ Social Distancing.**

**The church can hold a minimum of 79 people**

**Sit on Seats marked with Green Spots.**

**Family Members may sit together.**

**No handshake at the Sign of Peace.**

**No Communion from the Chalice.**

**Communion to be received on the hand.**

**The Toilets will not be open.**

**Follow the Stewards instructions.**

**Remember also** **“The Sunday Mass Obligation is suspended during this time of the pandemic.”**

(Message from the Bishops of England and Wales)