

# St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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# 12th March & 19th March 2023 3rd Sunday Lent & 4th Sunday Lent Yr A

Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	3rd Sunday of Lent	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday $12^{\rm th}$		9.30am	Tom Prince RIP
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>			
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>			Dadan Carran and DID
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>		9.30am	Declan Sweeney RIP
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>			
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>			
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	4th Sunday of Lent	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>		9.30am	Mrs Moult
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>			
Tuesday 21st			Vanania MaCasil
Wednesday 22nd		9.30am	Veronica McGrail
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>			
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>			
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>		6.00pm	Frances Crichlow
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	5th Sunday of Lent	9.30am	People of the Parish

**Sick List**: Please keep in prayer those who are unwell at this time and those who care for them; Margaret and Michael Stapleton, Joanne Hymers, those with Covid-19, those struggling with mental ill health and all those in our nursing homes, care homes, hospitals and hospices.

Those unable to be at mass and ask remembrance in our prayers, and the assurance of their prayers for us.....Frances and Roger Delf

**OFFERTORIES** 25/26 February - Total - £222.10 £176.30 was Gift Aided. 4/5 March - Total - £241.40 £195.00 was Gift Aided

CAFOD Family Fast Day - £105.00 Cathedral Maintenance - £25.00

**Cleaners Rota:** Angela Heath & Denise Beattie

Denis Cope & Sue Edmonds Christine Eardley & David Robins

## **North Staffs Vocations Promotion Group**

Evening of Prayer and Reflection for Vocations Tuesday 28 March 7pm at Our Lady & St Werburgh, Clayton, led by Fr Marco Egawhary.

**Garden Party** 

It's that time of year again when we beging to plan the garden party. There will be an initial meeting on Wednesday 15th March at 7.15pm in the parish room. Please do come along, you don't have to have previously been part of the planning to attend.

## **CAFOD Syria-Turkey Earthquake Appeal**

CAFOD is responding with support of provision of food, water, shelter, medical assistance, and winter kits for survivors. Let us join CAFOD in praying for those affected by the earthquakes and the winter weather. Your support for CAFOD throughout the year allows our Catholic agency to act quickly when disasters strike. For more details visit CAFOD's Syria Turkey Emergency Appeal online at

## cafod.org.uk/give

### **Walk With Me**

The Lenten Walk With Me books and calendars are available on the way out of church. As always it is a great resource to help us pray during lent. Please take a book as you leave church, please take them for anyone you know will find it helpful too.

#### **Peace in Ukraine**

After a year of war in Ukraine we continue to offer our prayers for peace. We pray for all Ukrainian families in the local area, especially the family we are hosting in our parish. Prayers for peace are so important and we will return to having a period of prayer after Wednesday morning Mass for this intention. Please join if you are able and share this with others who wish to take this opportunity to pray for peace.

## **FOODBANK**

Due to the current level of demand the FoodBank need donations. Please leave any donations in the parish room. We pray for those who are experiencing financial hardship at this time.

## **Edge@Alton youth hub**

It's a meeting place for young people from the Catholic parishes of the Staffordshire Moorlands in school years 6,7 and 8. Sessions take place once a month at Soli Centre, Alton. Cost is  $\pounds 2$  each and are packed full of fun, faith and friendship! For further information contact edgeatalton@gmail.com