

# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH

Alton Staffordshire

## St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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**16th July & 23 July 2023**

**15th Sunday & 16th Sunday Ordinary Time Yr A**

Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup>		6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	15th Sunday	9.30am	Private Intention
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>			
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>			
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>		No Mass	
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>			
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>			
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup>		6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	16th Sunday	9.30am	Grandparents & the Elderly
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>			
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>			
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>		No Mass	
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>			
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>			
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>		6.00pm	Spiritan Missionaries
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>	17th Sunday	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



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**OFFERTORIES** 8/9 July - Total - £239.50 £173.00 was Gift Aided.  
Apostleship of the Sea - £28.00 £23.00 was Gift Aided

**Cleaners Rota:** Christine Eardley & David Robins  
Angela Heath & Denise Beattie  
Denis Cope & Sue Edmonds

## Garden Party

**Thank you** - Thank you to everyone who has helped at the garden party. Despite the weather there were so many people that braved the elements and gave their time to help make the event a great success. Thank you also to all who donated so many bottles, raffle prizes, refreshments and more I am very grateful to you all.

Thank you to everyone who came to support the event and made it a joyful celebration of our parish and Kenelm Youth Trust.

**Bishop Stephen Wright** - Bishop Stephen, who has been our area bishop has been appointed by Pope Francis as Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle. He will be installed on 19th July. Please keep Bishop Stephen in your prayers as he prepares to take on this new responsibility.

**World Youth Day** - I am away from Monday 24th July until Tuesday 8th August accompanying our World Youth Day pilgrims to Lisbon. We have 85 young people from across the Archdiocese who are traveling for the events in Portugal culminating in Pope Francis joining the hundreds of thousands of young people from around the world. World Youth Day is always a time of significant spiritual growth for pilgrims. Please pray for a safe and fruitful pilgrimage for our young people.

**Spiritan Missions** - The weekend of 29th and 30th of July there will be a mission appeal from the Spiritan Fathers. Please support them in any way you can.

## 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 £2 each and are packed full of fun, faith and friendship! For further information contact [edgeatalton@gmail.com](mailto:edgeatalton@gmail.com)