



ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH

Alton Staffordshire

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30th June 2024
13th Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr B

Sunday 30 th	13th Sunday Ordinary Time	9.00am	David Allen
Monday 1 st			
Tuesday 2 nd			
Wednesday 3 rd		No Mass	
Thursday 4 th			
Friday 5 th			
Saturday 6 th			
Sunday 7 th	14th Sunday Ordinary Time	9.00am	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 struggling with physical and 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.

Sunday 23rd June

Today we celebrating First Holy Communion for our children from Faber. Please keep them in your prayers on this special and important day.



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Mission Malawi

This coming Wednesday, 3rd July, I am traveling to Malawi for two weeks with 18 young adults from across the Archdiocese. We will be working with 2 schools, 2 medical facilities and a sustainability and ecology project. Please pray for us on this mission and for all who we will encounter. There will be no Mass on Wednesday mornings until Wednesday July. There won't be a newsletter for the next two weeks but any notices will be announced at Mass.

Garden Party 2024

Thank you to those who attended our garden party meetings. The garden party will take place in September and there is still a lot to planning to do. It is the largest fundraising event we have for the parish. I am extremely grateful for all of the dedicated service a number of parishioners have given for many years, some wish to take a well earned step back and so we are in need of new volunteers to ensure we are able to run this event as successfully as in previous years. There is an additional sheet with information from our meetings and a list of what is needed.

Auxiliary Bishops

Pope Francis has appointed two new auxiliary bishops for our Archdiocese, Mgr Timothy Menezes, Dean of St Chad's Cathedral and Canon Richard Walker, Vicar General. Please pray for them as they prepare for their episcopal ordination on 16th July.

Parish Works

The works on the tower have begun and are estimated to last 10 weeks, dependent on weather and any unforeseen issues.

Thank you to the benefactor, who wishes to remain anonymous, who has donated the cost needed to replace our lighting in church, I am sure you will all echo my gratitude. This work will be carried out as soon as possible and will enable us to save on our energy costs.

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

General Election

The General Election takes place this coming Thursday, 4th July. The Bishop's Conference of England & Wales have published some guidance for Catholics to consider when choosing how to vote. This is impartial information around some really important issues that we should consider when voting. The information can be found at

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/>