



# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH

Alton Staffordshire

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**4th February 2024**  
**5th Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr B**

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>	5th Sunday of Ordinary Time	9.00am	Marie Chatten RIP
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>			
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>			
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>		9.30am	Fr Sandy Brown RIP
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>			
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>			
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>			
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>	6th Sunday of Ordinary Time	9.00am	Don Salt RIP

**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



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**Of Your Charity Please pray for the repose of the soul of**

## **Fr Sandy Brown**

Fr Sandy sadly died on January 9th. His funeral will take place at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Hednesford. His body will be received into church at 6pm on Thursday 15th February and his funeral Mass will be celebrated at midday on Friday 16th February.

## **Don Salt**

Don sadly died on 23rd January. His funeral will take place at St John the Baptist Church, Alton. His body will be received into church at 4.30pm on Thursday 8th February and his funeral Mass will be celebrated at 2pm on Friday 9th February.

## **Marie Chatten**

Marie sadly died on Friday 26th February. Marie is the mother of Vicki Hamilton who is the director of Alton Castle and Soli.

We pray Fr Sandy, Don and Marie that they receive their eternal reward in the kingdom of heaven. We also pray for their families and friends at this difficult time too.

## **Ash Wednesday**

Ash Wednesday is celebrated on February 14th. I am unavailable that day so Mass will be celebrated in St John's at midday by Fr Martin Pratt.

## **Parish Meeting**

Thank you to all who attended the parish meeting last Sunday. There were some very helpful discussions that took place and we wish for this to continue. It was agreed we would have another meeting in a month's time. To avoid the half term weekends when people may be away the next parish meeting will take place after Mass on Sunday 3rd March. Please pass on the details to parishioners that may not have seen the details in the newsletter, all are most welcome.

## **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)