

# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH

Alton Staffordshire

## St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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### 11th December 2021 - 3rd Sunday Advent Yr C

Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	3rd Sunday Advent	6.00pm	Ken White RIP
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>		9.30am	Holy Souls
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>			
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>			
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>		9.30am	Gus Allen RIP
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>			
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>			
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	4th Sunday Advent	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	4th Sunday Advent	9.30am	Bryony & Harry Purton Lally

***An Act of Spiritual Communion;*** My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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

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

**Special Intention:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Brenda, chair of St Peter's PCC who tragically lost her life on Friday, may she rest in the peace of God's Kingdom. We also remember her family and friends along with the whole parish community of St Peter's. May they be consoled by the Lord in their grief.

**Confessions** On request.



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**OFFERTORIES** Total Collections for weekend 4th-5th December  
£256.50  
of which £227.50 was Gift Aided  
2nd Collection - Poor Parishes £24.90  
of which £20 was Gift Aided

***Cleaners Rota:*** *Anaela Heath & Denise Beattie*  
*Ged & Ulla Pakes*  
*Dennis Cope & Sue Edmonds*  
*Christine Eardley & David Robins*

**New Rota's** We are seeking volunteers on a rota basis:  
- Care of Altar linens - please speak to Clare Ford  
Welcomers - Please speak to Frances Castle

**Live Simply** - If you are interested in exploring our parish becoming a Live Simply parish there will be a zoom meeting on Wednesday 5th January.

**Love Christmas** - Our parish and KYT are supporting the Love Christmas campaign please leave non-perishable food donations in the cloister.

**Cake Sale** - There will be tea, coffee and cake after both Masses this weekend to raise money for the Love Christmas appeal. The KYT mission team have been baking away. Please do stay after Mass

**Bounty Club** - Subscriptions to the Bounty Club are now due. If you haven't yet renewed please do so before Christmas. If you haven't signed up and would like to, please speak to Edwin or myself. December winners are:

1st Prize - No. 25 - Les Smith  
2nd Prize - No.126 - Jaqueline Shaw  
3rd Prize - No.121 - Jaqueline Shaw

**Altar Servers** - All servers are welcome to return and I look forward to meeting you. If you have made your First Holy Communion and would like to start serving please speak to me after Mass.

**Christmas Mass Times** - There will be four Christmas Masses once again to enable a safe celebration. The Mass times are:

**Christmas Eve:** 6pm  
Midnight

**Christmas Day:** 9am  
10.30am

**Sunday 26th:** 9.30am