

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH

Alton Staffordshire

St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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29th January 2022 - 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr C

Saturday 29 th	4th Sunday Ordinary Time	6.00pm	Paedar O'Connor RIP
Sunday 30 th		9.30am	People of the Parish
Monday 31 st			
Tuesday 1 st			
Wednesday 2 nd		9.30 am	Hazel Faulkner Ints
Thursday 3 rd			
Friday 4 th			
Saturday 5 th		6.00pm	People of the parish
Sunday 6 th		9.30am	Sr Mary Dorothy

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.

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.

Confessions On request.



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OFFERTORIES Total Collections for weekend 22nd/23rd January
£230.00
of which £203.00 was Gift Aided

Cleaners Rota: *Denis Cope & Sue Edmonds*
Angela Heath & Denise Beattie
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

Sr Mary Dorothy - Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sr Mary Dorothy who died recently. Sr Mary Dorothy was a member of the community here in the convent from the late 60s and was a cook at the castle. May she rest in peace, rewarded by God for her prayerful service to him and his people.

Church Daily Opening - As Covid-19 restrictions change once again, it is now possible to return to church being open each day for quiet prayer. To enable this to happen it we would need a rota, as before, for parishioners to either open or lock church each day. If you have never done this before, you will be shown what to do, but it isn't complicated. If you are willing to sign up, please clearly write your name and contact number/email address on the sign up sheet on the way out of church.

Covid-19 Guidance Update - The bishops of England and Wales have updated the guidance for measures within churches. This updated information has been agreed by Public Health officials. We are being encouraged, as far as possible, to return to normality. Over the coming days I will consider these proposals and update the parish risk assessment accordingly and I will inform you of what will change. I am aware that some parishioners still feel most comfortable sitting on the side of church that is socially distanced. I will **not** change this arrangement for those benches.