

# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH

Alton Staffordshire

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## Newsletter for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT

Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT	6.00pm	Pro Populo
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT	9.30am	Mary Robinson RIP
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Feria		
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Presentation of the Lord		
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	St Blaise		
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Feria		
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	St Agatha		
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT	6.00pm	Celebrants Ints
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT	9.30am	Celebrants Ints

***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 not able to be at mass currently and ask remembrance in our prayers, and the assurance of our remembrance in their prayers.....** Joan Kenny, Gail Eyre, Norman and Jill Edwards, Frances and Roger Delf.

**Sick List** Let us please keep in our prayers those who are not well at this time and those who have care of them...

Margaret and Michael Stapleton, Reece Hargreaves, Seb Carney, and those with COVID19, and all in our nursing and care homes, our hospitals and hospices.



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**OFFERTORIES** Total Collections for weekend 23/24 January 2021 - £200.50 of which £179.00 was Gift Aided.

**STEWARDS/CLEANERS FOR MASSES** We still need regular volunteers to steward and clean for mass. Volunteers please email on the parish email address.

**LOVE CHRISTMAS APPEAL** This appeal continues. KYT sought match-funding for what they raised and so an extra £300 is going towards this wonderful cause to provide food and provisions for families in need.

**BOUNTY CLUB RESTART** Our fundraising Bounty Club is about recommence and the first monthly draw will be this Saturday, Saturday 9th January 2021.

As they say - You have to be in it to win it but you can only be in it if you have paid your subscription."

**REMEMBRANCE IN OUR PRAYERS** As you can see there is an extra section on this week's newsletter asking for prayers. I realise that at this time there may be many of our parishioners who can't be with us at mass at this time for reasons many and varied and often private to them. There might be many who currently feeling isolated and alone, and would like to be remembered by us in our prayers, but who don't class themselves as 'sick'. So, from this week we have a section for members of our parish, our families etc who would like us to remember them in our prayers to have their names listed. (As with the sick list however names cannot be added without the persons consent.)

## **Important Notice:**

*Dear Parishioners,*

*Due to personal and private reasons, until further notice, Fr. Paul Whieldon has stepped back from active ministry for the present. Please do respect his privacy and keep him in your prayers. Supply priests will be sought for the parish Masses as necessary.*

*Canon Richard Walker  
Vicar General*