

# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH

Alton Staffordshire

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## Newsletter for the Passion Sunday (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent)

Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Our Lady on Saturday	12 noon	Bishop David Oakley Ints
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Passion Sunday	12 noon	Pro Populo
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Lenten Feria	12 noon	Those who have died...
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Lenten Feria	12 noon	NHS Staff (Thanksgiving...)
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> Apr	Lenten Feria	12 noon	Those who are sick...
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lenten Feria	12 noon	Those worried about jobs
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lenten Feria	12 noon	The elderly
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Our Lady on Saturday	12 noon	Ann Watts RIP
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Palm Sunday	12 noon	Pro Populo

## ALL PUBLIC LITURGIES ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

### 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

There are many Masses livestreamed on Facebook and on the internet. See the Diocesan Website for the list of websites. I Hope to livestream Sunday Masses from St John's on the Parish Facebook page [Catholic Parish of St John the Baptist, Alton.](#)

The Bounty Club will be drawn this month and then suspended until we are back at church.

The Garden Party is also cancelled this year.

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## Prayer to your Guardian Angel when you cannot attend Daily Mass



O HOLY ANGEL at my side,  
Go to Church for me, kneel in my place, at  
Holy Mass, where I desire to be.  
At **Offertory**, in my stead, take all I am and  
own, and place it as a sacrifice upon the  
Altar throne.  
At **Holy Consecration's bell**, adore with  
Seraph's love, my Jesus hidden in the  
Host, Come down from Heaven above.  
Then pray for those I dearly love,  
and those who cause me grief, that Jesus'  
Blood may cleanse all hearts, and suff'ring  
souls relieve.  
And when the **priest Communion** takes,  
Oh, bring my Lord to me, that His sweet  
Heart may rest on mine,  
And I His temple be. Pray that  
this **Sacrifice Divine**, May mankind's sins  
efface;  
Then bring me Jesus' blessing home,  
The pledge of every grace. *Amen*

“During these disturbing and threatening times, the rhythm of the prayer of the Church will continue. Please play your part in it. The effort of daily kindness and mutual support for all will continue and increase. Please play your part in this too. For your commitment to this, we thank you.”

‘The Lord is my shepherd, There is nothing I shall want.’

+*Vincent Cardinal Nichols*