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Weekly Newsletter

St. Anne's Catholic Church

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TIMES OF HOLY MASS AND LITURGIES THIS WEEK

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - Lectionary Cycle A, Weekday Mass Cycle 2 Psalter week 1 [Parish Mass Book P151]

Day	Date	Mass Time	Church	Liturgical Day	Mass Intention
Sat	29 th	6:00 pm	St Anne's	Vigil Mass	Bob Broome RIP
Sun	1 st	9:30 am	St Patrick's	First Sunday of Lent	Katie & Bartholomew Tivenan & Peggy Toner RIP
		11:15 am	St Anne's		People of the Parish
Mon	2 nd	9:15 am	St Anne's	St Chad	Feast Meg Parkes & Joseph Galvin
Tue	3 rd	9:15 am	St Patrick's	Lent Feria	Gwenda Fenton RIP
Wed	4 th	10:00 am	St Anne's	Communion Service	Lent Feria
Thu	5 th	9:15 am	St Patrick's	School Mass	Lent Feria Kathleen "Patty" Tiernan
Fri	6 th	9:15 am	St Anne's	School Mass	Lent Feria Marie Devaney (Ann.)
		6:00 pm	St Anne's	Stations of the Cross	
Sat	7 th	10:00 am	St Anne's	Exposition, Holy Hour & Confessions	Peggy Toner RIP
		6:00 pm	St Anne's	Vigil Mass	
Sun	8 th	9:30 am	St Patrick's	Second Sunday of Lent	The Wellbeing of the Bowers family & The sick and their carers
		11:15 am	St Anne's		Celebrant's Intention

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM By Appointment

Prayers for the departed loved ones whose anniversaries occur at this time: [St. Patrick's] Elizabeth Walsh, Arthur Wood, Clare Malpass, Lucy Dillon, Philip Bates, Agnes Paish, Reginald Gould, Catherine Wood, Joanna Cooke, Kathleen Edwards, Mary Allport and Leslie Palmer.

[St. Anne's] Jack Burr, Anne Davies, Jane Shackle, Monica Willmoth, Arthur Clarke, Gwenda Fenton, Ada Harrison, Lorraine Nicholls, Maurice Kelly, Lilian Morrisroe, Mary Orton and Eileen Richard.

Prayers for the sick: St Patrick's Phylis Bowers, Kath Read, Susan Prince, Tim Tiernan, Gregory McKinlay, Linda Reavy, Martha Porter and Cecylia Kotara St Anne's Michael Glover, Patricia Walters, David Green, Thomas McCormick, Mary Terry, Bernard Lundberg, Cath Miles, Walter Rogers, Colin Wilkinson, Richard McMahon, Patsy Connelly Smith, Colin Wise and Shaun Gilbride.

CHURCH ROTAS

Church	Church Cleaning	Altar Linen	Flowers	Refreshments	Children's Liturgy
St Anne's	6 th March Julia Turner & Clare Whitehall	8 th March Patsy Connelly Smith		8 th March Eileen Turvey & Joan Collins	8 th March Dominique Hodgkinson
St Patrick's	w/c 1 st March David, Bipin & Jom	Team	Carmel P	8 th March Bipin & Binoy	8 th March Geraldine, Margaret & Mary

READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

	ST. ANNE'S	ST. PATRICK'S
Sat. 7 March : Readers:	Kevin McKie	
Euch. Ministers:	E Turner	
Sun. 8th March : Readers:	Joan Collins	Claire & Anjali
Euch. Ministers:	P Hulme & B Turvey	Mary O, Carmel & Angela

Income 23 th Feb	Source	Gift Aid	Non-Gift Aid	Standing Order	Total	Attendance
St Anne's	Offertory	£320.30	£168.42	£179.65	£668.37	164
St. Patrick's	Offertory	£99.50	£96.66	£136.23	£332.39	105

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The Second Collection last weekend for Parish maintenance St Anne's £224.51 St Patrick's £251.42 Thank You.
The Second Collection this weekend 29th February/1st March is for Cathedral Maintenance
The Second Collection next weekend 7th/8th March is for CAFOD Lent Fast. Gift Aid envelopes available in porch.

Liturgical/Pastoral DATES FOR THE NEAR FUTURE:**14th/15th March: Daughters of Divine Love (Parish Missionary Appeal)****17th March: Mass to mark the Completion of the Deanery Visitation – St Patrick's 7:00pm****Parishes Social (Fundraising Events) DATES UP TO SUMMER:****6th March: Beetle Drive Fun Evening at St Patrick's (Family event, fun games for children & Adults - see notice in porch)****26th April: Sponsored Walk****5th June: Fashion Show (St Anne's Hall)****19th June: BBQ (St Anne's Grounds) 11th July Catholic Stafford Celebration Buffet and 3 parishes get-together**

With regard to our Missionary Appeal on 14th/15th March, the Daughters of Divine Love is an international Congregation founded in Nigerian in 1969 and a member of the Missionary Sisters of England and Wales. They came to England in 1989 and are present today in 6 dioceses. They educate, care and add value to the lives of the less privileged in the society. Their charity home in Nigeria provides care for orphans, motherless, abandoned children, street children/teenagers and children with special needs.

To St Patrick's and St Anne's: As noted above, the closing of our Deanery Visitation will be marked by a Mass at St Patrick's Church on Tuesday 17th March at 7:00pm. Please do put this date in your diary as a good turnout would be fitting for such an event. Archbishop Bernard and Bishop David will be celebrating and there will be a 'concluding feedback' meeting in the School Hall afterwards. Volunteer help would be welcome in assisting with cake and tea/coffee refreshments in St Patrick's hall. (Donations of cakes would be most welcome – there are sheets in the back of church for indicating donations). The event will be attended by parishioners of the other parishes in the deanery also. **Many thanks**

DROP-IN: Our drop in will continue as usual on **Wednesday 4th March** in St Anne's Parish Hall at 10.30 am. Tea, coffee and biscuits available. All Welcome.

ROSARY - prayer, intentions/intercessions and rosary.Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 10th March at 10.00 am in St Anne's Parish Hall. All welcome.

SAFEGUARDING Representatives: Geraldine Thickett 01785224309 **St Patrick's.** Ann Kelly 017 5603012 **St Anne's.**

Birmingham Archdiocesan vacancy for Financial Support Manager: Please refer to letter on noticeboard

BIBLE STUDY GROUP. The next shared Bible Study group will be on Tuesday 3rd March. All are welcome to join us in St Anne's Parish Hall, 10 am – 11 am.

STAFFORD RECORDED MUSIC SOCIETY the next meeting will be on this Wednesday 4th March at 7.30 pm in St Anne's meeting room. New members welcome. For more information please contact Geoff Ogram 01785 663423.

SAVE THE DATE! Ladies, you are invited to a Spiritual Spa Day, an opportunity to be refreshed and renewed in God's love, to be inspired, reflect and pray together and to be affirmed in our faith at St Austin's Church Hall, Stafford on **Saturday May 16th**. Put the date in your diary, more details soon.

St Patrick's new facility: Our 'target fundraising scale' on the noticeboard indicates how the financing is progressing. I hope that we can swiftly raise the funds for it.

Peter Harland has completed his Sponsored Silence which began Midday Friday 21 February –Midday Friday 28 February.

A Plea for more cleaners: If any **St Patrick's parishioners** can offer a small amount of their time on a Rota basis it would be greatly appreciated. Now we have a new toilet facility the existing teams will be very grateful for extra help. So, if you can help then please see Fr Bob or Lyn Cycles who will explain the routine etc. Very Many Thanks.

Parish Tote 150 Club Winners 23rd February 2020. £100 M Owen – 122, £50 J Corr – 77, £20 K Johnson – 70, £10 M Massey – 154, £10 J Stamyard – 64, £10 A Coghlan – 113, £10 J Hunt – 114, £10 S Farley – 124, £10 F Russell – 156, £10 A Kelly – 128, £10 S Keenan – 1, £10 J Price – 80, £10 M Kilkeny – 38, £10 C Price – 13. Thank you for your support. Numbers are available at £4 per number per month. Further information from Marie on 01785 661012.

Women's World Day of Prayer: This year's service will be held at **2pm this Friday 6th March at Trinity Church, Mount Street, Stafford.**

WALKING IN THE WAY OF THE PASSION For the six weeks of **Lent** on Wednesday evenings in St Anne's Church from 7.30 pm - 9 pm. We will be looking at the Easter Story along with listening to a set of talks by bible scholar Fr Jerry McBride. We will be considering the events of Easter while at the same time reflecting on our own faith journey as members of the body of Christ. Weekly from **4th March to April 8th**. Come along to one or all of the sessions as you feel able.

Congratulations to Peter and Chris on their 47th Wedding Anniversary.

Message from a former Weeping Cross resident and St Anne parishioner: **Jamie Paulose** requires accommodation ASAP, having been given notice to leave his nursing home as his placement there is coming to an end. Tel: 07951 351678.' Jamie has heard that his moving-out date is **19 March.**