

Sunday 26th May 2019

Weekly Newsletter

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Anne's Catholic Church

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TIMES OF HOLY MASS AND LITURGIES THIS WEEK

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - Lectionary Cycle C, Weekday Mass Cycle 1, Psalter Week 2 [Parish Mass Book P273]

Day	Date	Mass Time	Church	Liturgical Day	Mass Intention
Sat	25 th	6:00 pm	St Anne's	Vigil Mass	Eamon Gormley RIP
Sun	26 th	9:30 am 11:15 am	St Patrick's St Anne's	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Joe Abayakoon RIP People of the Parish
Mon	27 th	9:15 am	St Anne's	St Augustine of Canterbury	Feast Colette Parisseau RIP
Tue	28 th	9:15 am	St Patrick's	Easter Feria	Philomena McCaron
Wed	29 th	10:00 am 7:00 pm	St Anne's St Anne's	Communion Service Vigil of the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord	Easter Feria Marie Woolley RIP
Thu	30 th	9:15 am 7:00 pm	St Patrick's St Patrick's	Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord	Patty Tiernan RIP Eddie & Bridie Hunt RIP
Fri	31 st	9:15 am	St Anne's	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Feast Mary Carmichael RIP
Sat	1 st	10:00 am 6:00 pm	St Patrick's St Anne's	Exposition Holy Hour & Confession Vigil Mass	Intentions of Winifred Meehan
Sun	2 nd	9:30 am 11:15 am	St Patrick's St Anne's	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Eddie Lennon RIP Marjorie Densem RIP

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM By Appointment

Prayers for the departed loved ones whose anniversaries occur at this time: [St. Patrick's] Francis Pearse, Janet Bunker, Gertrude Brough, Michael Cooney, Annie McCabe, John Mulrooney, Mary Batkin, Joseph Box, Leslie Foster, Joan Dunlavy and Elizabeth McDonagh. [St. Anne's] James Ashton, Anthonie Dietruszko, Edwin Finn, M Larkin, John Reilly, Marie Reilly, Claire Skelton, Olga Sweeney, Bernard Bamber, Charles Chadwick, Anne O'Brien, Peter Griffin, Gerard Leongson, Robert Powell, Mary Bester, Hugh Chadwick, Victor Crawley, John Gillett, Mrs Winifred Meehan, Christopher Nealon, Terry Walsh and Cynthia Williams.

Prayers for the sick: St Patrick's Phylis Bowers, Kath Read, Susan Prince, Tim Tiernan, June McConnell, Gregory McKinlay, John Reavy, Linda Reavy, Martha Porter and Damian McKinlay. St Anne's Michael Glover, Patricia Walters, David Green, Kevin Kaine, Thomas McCormick, Mary Terry, Bernard Lundberg, Cath Miles, Walter Rogers, Colin Wilkinson, Richard McMahon, Maria Rogers, Teresa Lloyd and Geoff Owen. **This list is being 'rebuilt' as forms come in.**

CHURCH ROTAS

Church	Church Cleaning	Altar Linen	Flowers	Refreshments	Children's Liturgy
St Anne's	24 th May	2 nd June Patsy Connelly Smith		2 nd June Eileen Turvey & Joan Collins	
St Patrick's	Tuesday 28 th May Sumitha, Jenice & family	Joan McKinlay	Carmel P	2 nd June Sarah & Austin	2 nd June Geraldine, Margaret & Mary

READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

	ST. ANNE'S	ST. PATRICK'S
Sat. 1st June : Readers:	Pete Harland	
Euch. Ministers:	E Turner & M Murphy	
Sun. 2nd June : Readers:	Geoff Ogram	Sarah W & Noel
Euch. Ministers:	K Hulme & T Garrett	Mary O, Geraldine & Mary W

Income	Source	Gift Aid	Non-Gift Aid	Standing Order	Total	Attendance
St Anne's	Offertory	£196.50	£154.91	£179.65	£531.06	160
St. Patrick's	Offertory	£85.50	£135.35	£136.23	£357.08	123

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Next weekend there will be a Second collection for Catholic Communications.

Please take a card, at the back of church, which explains a little about the crucial work of the Communications Office of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. This is especially important in our contemporary age of internet and multimedia where a variety of means are used for spreading the Gospel.

Our Recently Deceased: Please pray for **Damian McKinlay**, who died this Saturday. We keep Joan and his family also in our prayers.
May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

Please remember that Thursday is the Solemnity of the Ascension and is a Holy Day of Obligation

FUND RAISING Many thanks to all who supported our **Fashion Show** on Friday. It was a very enjoyable evening raising £690.83. Much appreciation goes to our social committee for their organization and planning.

Sponsored Walk held last Sunday 19th May.

Parish Barbecue 21st June in St Anne's church garden.

Please put these dates in your diary, all monies made will go towards the repairs needed in both parishes.

Other dates for your diary

Sunday 9th June: St Patrick's Parish meeting 4:00 pm

Saturday 13th July: Buffet after the 6:00 pm Mass at St Anne's

Sunday 14th July: Blessing of the Graves (Tixall Rd.) 2:00 pm

Saturday 20th July: Mass at St Thomas Mill (Blessed Robert Sutton) 10:30 am

Walsingham Pilgrimage 2019: 26th to the 28th of July.

DROP-IN: Tea, coffee and biscuits are available in St Anne's church hall on Wednesday morning at 10:30 am. Everyone welcome.

'World Youth Day at Home' is a weekend festival for 15-30s, bringing the festivities of WYD in Panama to your doorstep! It's from the 7th – 9th **June at Alton Castle**. Tickets for the weekend start from £65 incl. coach transport. The parish is keen to support delegates from the parish to attend this event. Please speak to Fr. Bob or email Stephen.harris@kenelmlyouthtrust.org.uk or call Sandra Satchell 07860120443 to find out more.

SAFEGUARDING

Our Representatives: Geraldine Thickett 01785224309 **St Patrick's**. Ann Kelly 01785603012 **St Anne's**.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP. Our shared Bible Study group will start again on Tuesday **18th June**. All welcome to join us in St Anne's Parish Hall, 10 am – 11 am.

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

PARISH TOTE Thank you for your support, it is an important fund raiser. Numbers available only £4 a month. For more information contact Marie at St Anne's 01785 661012.

Plea to St Patrick's: Volunteers needed please to help with our church's garden around by the front. Time to suit. Just let me know what weedkiller or implements are needed. If you could/ would like to help please see **Fr Bob Many thanks**.

St Patrick's parishioners: Please note our parish meeting scheduled for Sunday 9th June at 4:00 pm in two week's time in the school hall. If you haven't yet taken a blue letter please do so. Your thoughts, opinions and indeed your involvement will be MORE than welcome as the year unfolds and we develop and grow as a parish community.

St Austin's J&P: CAFOD's new campaign celebrates Our Common

home. <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-Change>. CAFOD will be taking part in the mass lobby of parliament on June 26th. We are hoping to meet to see what we can do in Stafford to celebrate our common home"

In today's Gospel we find the disciples at a dark time. They simply cannot comprehend why God might allow their Messiah to be killed before His mission was fulfilled. But Jesus tried patiently to explain; that The Holy Spirit was going to be their constant companion, bringing all the things Jesus had taught them to mind and helping them to interiorise them. What is important is to understand that Jesus was not only preparing a place for them in heaven, but was preparing a place within THEM for Himself and the Father to make their home. In the Gospel Greek language the word used for the Holy Spirit is "paraclete", meaning literally 'called to one's side'. God's Spirit is the patient teacher at our side, guiding and encouraging. And it is our experience of God's inner presence that not only brings enlightenment but essentially transforms us as people, calming and sanctifying. Jesus speaks of it as 'Shalom'. This is the peace the world on its own cannot give.