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All the listings below are live-streamed on the parish Facebook page

## Parish Newsletter for Sunday 13 June 2021

### YEAR OF ST JOSEPH:

### ST JOSEPH, PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH, PRAY FOR US!

#### Sunday 13 June

Public Mass and live-stream

#### ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Ezekiel 17: 22-24; Ps 91; 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10; Mark 4: 26-34*

930am Church open

10am Kevin Oliver RIP

4pm Live-stream – Rosary and Benediction

#### Monday 14 June

Live - stream Mass

#### Feria in Ordinary Time

*2 Corinthians 6: 1-10; Ps 97; Matthew 5: 38-42*

940am Rosary 10am Nancy and Don Brough RIP

#### Tuesday 15 June

Live - stream Mass

#### Feria in Ordinary Time

*2 Corinthians 8: 1-9; Ps 145; Matthew 5: 43-48*

940am Rosary 10am Angela Bird RIP

#### Wednesday 16 June

No live - stream today

#### Feria in Ordinary Time

*2 Corinthians 9: 6-11; Ps 111; Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-18*

#### Thursday 17 June

Live - stream Mass

#### Feria in Ordinary Time

*2 Corinthians 11: 1-11; Ps 110; Matthew 6: 7-15*

940am Rosary 10am For you, the People of the Parish

#### Friday 18 June

Live - stream Mass

#### Dedication of the Cathedral, Feast: Online School Mass

*1 Kings 8: 22-23, 27-30; Ps 25; Matthew 16: 13-19*

940am Rosary 10am For priests

#### Saturday 19 June

No live - stream today

#### Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday

*2 Corinthians 12: 1-10; Ps 33; Matthew 6: 24-34*

**Sorry – no Confessions today.**

#### TWELTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Day for Life

*Job 38: 1, 8-11; Ps 106; 2 Corinthians 5: 14-17; Mark 4: 35-41*

930am Church open

10am Eric Arthur Duffin RIP

4pm Live-stream – Rosary and Benediction

#### Confessions: Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions will be celebrated in the Presbytery car park. Please check times and the weather!

**Baptisms and Weddings** Can take place with a maximum of 30 people in church: this number includes the family and the team of volunteer cleaners and stewards. If you are looking to arrange either a Wedding or a Baptism, please be in contact with Fr Martin.

#### Funerals at St Mary's

Unfortunately, it will not be possible to celebrate Funerals in our church at present.

#### Going into hospital

For a Chaplain at the University Hospital North Midlands, please ask a member of the ward staff or call 01782 676400 Ext 76400. For a Chaplain at the Macclesfield District General Hospital, please call 01625 663386

#### Please pray for the sick

Edward Walmsley, Chris Rea, Rosemary Emery, Kathryn Higginbotham, Brian Dale, Norman Syddall, Andrew Clifford, David Wright, Janusz Szura and those who are in self-isolation and have been diagnosed with Covid-19.

*Due to data protection legislation, in order for a name to be printed in this newsletter, the consent of the person who is unwell needs to be given.*

#### The Pope's Prayer Intention for June

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

#### Please pray for Faithful Departed

We pray for Kathleen Kelsall and for those who have died recently and due to Covid-19.

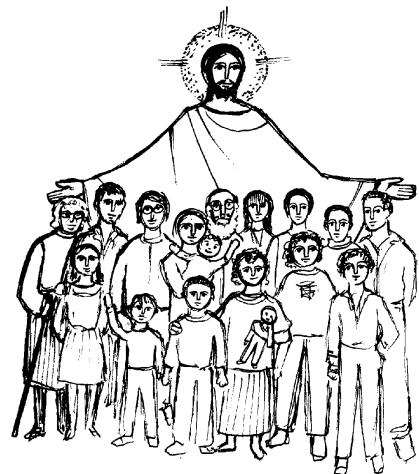
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#### Anniversaries

Margaret Moss 13/6/1987	Edward Percy Carding 13/6/1999	James Martin Callinan 13/6/2005	Kevin Gerard Oliver 13/6/2019
Anna Sawko 14/6/1988	Veronica Elizabeth Renshaw 14/6/1999	Michael (Mick) Stafford 14/6/2020	Ada McKay 15/6/1970
Diane Marie Ward 15/6/2010	Edith Barry 16/6/1995	Michael William Harris 16/6/2004	Alfred Bernard Trafford 17/6/1991
Mary Gower 17/6/2007	Paul Vigrass 18/6/2009	Mary Beardmore 19/6/1999	

Dear friends, last Friday was the celebration of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It had been my intention to celebrate Mass at school, but it was not possible. However, I did take great support and encouragement from the Second Reading at Mass on Friday which was taken from St Paul's Letter to the Ephesians and his words of encouragement: "Stand firm and be deeply rooted in his love." (Eph 3:17) Let's remember to keep our heads up and our shoulders back during this time of increased uncertainty in our town.

**Archbishop Bernard's Pastoral Letter** This weekend, instead of the usual homily at Sunday Mass, we will hear Archbishop Bernard's Pastoral Letter, introducing the Archdiocese's Vision: Unfolding God's Plan. Please look out for the prayer cards in church, and feel free to share copies with those who are unable to come to Mass. You can find the Pastoral Letter in text, audio and video format on the Diocesan website: [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/vision](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/vision)



**Church repairs** During the week, works began to repair the church following the most recent architectural report which was conducted last year. The initial work is to inspect the window over the organ loft. The other works which are to be carried out include conservation fabric repair, roof repairs and specialist masonry cleaning. There will also be repairs to the car park and curtilage.

**Health and Safety** Over the last two years every parish in the Archdiocese has conducted a health and safety audit which has introduced new ongoing measures to ensure that everyone is safe while in church, the grounds and the public area of the presbytery. There are legal, financial and moral benefits to keeping both parishioners and clergy as safe as possible. As this moves forward, each priest has to complete a number of online courses before the end of this month.

**Bibles for St Mary's Academy** We want to support St Mary's Catholic Academy by purchasing Bibles for the children to use at school. We have identified a quality product, The Catholic Children's Bible published by St Mary's Press. This excellent Bible inspires the children to read, live and love the Word of God with colour illustrations, child friendly introductions to each book of the bible and helpful reading guides to help children apply the meaning of bible stories to their lives. If you know any small businesses which may wish to sponsor the purchase of these Bibles that would be most welcome. Donations can be made by cash or cheque. Please make cheques payable to "BRCDTR St Mary's, Leek". Please mark the envelope Bibles for St Mary's and deliver to the presbytery.

#### St Mary's: a parish Praying and Working together

##### **Our Parish Working Together: Can you help with the opening of the church?**

If you can help as a steward or cleaner, please let me know! Send an email to me at [stmary.leek@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stmary.leek@rcaob.org.uk)

##### **Our Parish Praying Together: Can you pray for our parish?**

Please pray for our parish. We use this prayer during weekday Mass:

**God our Father, pour out your Holy Spirit upon the people of this parish, and grant us a new vision of your glory, a new experience of your power, a new faithfulness to your Word, and a new consecration to your service so that your love may grow among us, and your Kingdom come. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

I want us to emerge from lockdown together. I want our parish to be stronger and to be united in this by working and living together; being united as a community of Christian faith is more important than ever.

**The Year of St Joseph** During this yearlong celebration, Pope Francis wants us to adopt St Joseph's way of loving with a parent's heart. During this yearlong celebration, let us use the Prayer of Pope Francis at the end of weekday Mass:

**Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

**To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.**

**Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.**

**Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.**

##### **Dates for your diary**

**Monday 14 June** 630pm Faith for Families

**Thursday 17 June** 630pm Bible Book Club – ***please note the new time. If you wish to join, please let me know.***

**Sunday 18 July** Mission appeal by the Marist Fathers and Brothers

**200 Club** The draw for the month of May took place after Sunday Mass two weeks ago. Both the winner and the runner up have been notified. **Calling all 200 Club members! Have you made your subscription for this year?** If you want to renew, please send a cheque made payable to: "BRCDTR St Mary, Leek". One number for 12 months is £12. The more subscribers, the bigger the winnings! Please send your cheques to Fr Martin. The next draw will take place this Sunday, 30 May.

**Congratulations!** We congratulate Jane Wilde on the successful completion of the Bethsaida Youth Ministry course which is an initiative of the Kenelm Youth Trust based at Alton Castle. Jane will receive her certificate at a special online celebration on Monday evening. We look forward to great things ahead!

**At Facebook Mass we can't have a collection** Thank you to those who have used the "Donate" button on the Parish Website. If you would like to donate by standing order, please send an email to me at the Parish Office at [stmary.leek@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stmary.leek@rcaob.org.uk).

30 May 2021      Gift Aid £78.00      Non Gift Aid £80.91      Donation £17.16      Total £176.07

6 June 2021      Gift Aid £76.00      Non Gift Aid £86.80      Total £162.80

Standing Order donations for May 2021: £1,251.50.

Thank you for your kind generosity!

**Edge@Alton** The next Edge@Alton meet is next Sunday 20 June, at the Soli Centre in Alton from 3:45 - 5:15pm. Join us for fun, faith and friendship - time to challenge, chat and create! New-comers are always welcome. £2 payable on arrival. To book please email: [edgeatalton@gmail.com](mailto:edgeatalton@gmail.com) or visit: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/153723863213>

**Let's do all we can to stay safe and keep well. With prayers and best wishes, Fr Martin**