

St Bernard of Clairvaux Partnership of Parishes:

Our Lady and St Benedict & St George and St Martin

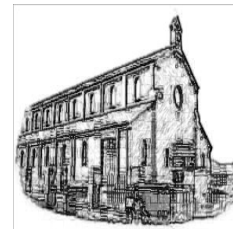
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25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

22nd/23rd September 2024

Psalter Week 1 Year B: Year of St. Mark



Our Lady and St Benedict's Mass and Service Times

Saturday: 5.00 pm Des and Kate MacNamara
Monday 9.45 am Kate and Des MacNamara
Thursday 9.15 am Fr John Darley (RIP)
Friday 10.00 am For the Holy Land
Saturday 5.00 pm Felix Dorset

Today (Saturday) We celebrate the Patronal Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham in Abbey Hulton

Rosary After Mass on Friday OLSB Tuesday 6.40 pm in SGSM

St George and St Martin's Mass and Service Times

Sunday 9.30 am David Buxton
Tuesday 7.00 pm Shirley Regan
Saturday 12.04 pm People of the Parish
Sunday 9.30 am Jack and Kate Meehan

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11.30 am on Saturday SGSM

Rosary Tuesday 6.40 pm SGSM Friday after Mass OLSB

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 4.30 pm- 4.45 pm OLSB

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday at 11.45 am SGSM

Safeguarding: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies procedures at all times. Mel Shaw is the Safeguarding Rep for the Partnership. You can contact her on 07857973468 or sg.sgam.stokeontrent@rcaob.org.uk. You can contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding:rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Faithful Departed: Please pray for those who have died recently: Craig Underwood, Jennifer Harrison, and Fr Peter Blundell, who was parish priest of Abbey Hulton from 1994 to 2005. His Funeral Mass will be held on October 1st at Midday at St Chad's Cathedral. It can be livestreamed via the website: www.stchadscathedral.org.uk/. May they rest in peace.

RCIA (Adult Instruction) Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Please join us if you are considering joining the Catholic Church, or if you're already a Catholic but would like to know more or want to help your children to know more or simply want to come along to support others. The next meeting is on **26th September at 7.00 pm** in Our Lady and St Benedict's.

North Staffs Area Pastoral Council There will be Mass in Preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025 on Tuesday 24th September 7.15pm at Our Lady & St Werburgh, Clayton.

NSAPC invite you to a talk by Father Michael Miners on the teaching of St. John Henry Newman entitled. "Prayer and the Virtue of Hope" at St. Wulstan's School Hall on Tuesday 15th October 2024 at 7.00 – 8.30pm

Adoremus Weekend: Thank you for those who came to the Holy Hours, participated in the International Mass and gave food and helped with refreshments afterwards.

Season of Creation: Both parishes are working towards the **LiveSimply Award**. This is an opportunity for Catholic communities – parishes, schools, and chaplaincies – to answer the call for us to care for our common home and stand in solidarity with our sisters and brothers. We hope to form a Care of Creation Group. You are encouraged to visit the **Prayer and Reflection Area** in St George and St Martin's. You can write your pledges and leave it there. Also if you would like to donate flowers in memory of a loved one please bring them with you to Mass.

Live Simply Tips: September 21st. Encourage wildlife in your garden, backyard, school and/or workplace. Maybe put up a birdfeeder or birdbox, make a hedgehog corridor or an insect home. You could involve young family members in constructing these as an introduction to the abundance of creatures that surround us and are part of our ecosystem. Leaving an area of your garden to grow wild provides an environment for many creatures eg peacock butterflies need nettles to lay their eggs.

CTF Envelopes collected next weekend.

The North Staffs Deanery Vocations Group: The North Staffs Deanery Vocations Group are having a meeting on October 8th at 7.30 pm at St. Teresa's, Trent Vale. New members are welcome.

Holy Father's Prayer intention for September: For the cry of the earth We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the earth and of victims of natural disasters and climatic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.