

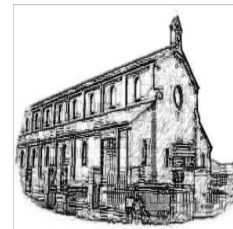
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**Our Lady and St Benedict & St George and St Martin**



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**Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**October 26th and 27th 2023**

**Psalter Week 2 Year B: Year of St. Mark**

**Our Lady and St Benedict's Mass and Service Times**

**Saturday: 5.00 pm Joan Hodgkinson**



**Saturday 5.00 pm John and Margaret Corbishley**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Peter Garvin.

**St George and St Martin's Mass and Service Times**

**Sunday 9.30 am Reg and Madge Casey/  
Giovanni Romano/  
Julio and Julia Vitug**

**Sunday 9.30 am Sylvia Rush**



**Johnson Association:** This weekend there will be the annual collection and appeal for the Johnson Association, which supports the Retired and Infirm Clergy, of the Archdiocese. Last year it supported approx. 65 priest giving grants totalling over £430,000. The Annual Collection raised almost £40,000-Your support either by donation in church, online or using the QR Code would be most appreciated. Be assured that prayers and Masses are offered for all benefactors.

**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.

**November List of the Dead:** There are envelopes available at the back of church for all those who would like to include their deceased relatives and friends in the November List of the Dead. They will be remembered in all Masses and services during the month of November. Please put envelope in box in front of altar. If you wish to make an offering please put it in a separate envelope and hand into sacristy or steward.

**Mission Appeal:** Next week we will warmly welcome Fr. Stephen Kimani Kariuki to our Mass. He will be making an appeal on behalf of St Patrick Missionaries. He comes to us via Kenya, Malawi and Zambia. Please make him feel very welcome. You will be able to take home with you copies of their magazine, Africa, that tells your all about the work of the St Patrick Missionaries.

**Vocations:** In our Deanery, October is a particular focus on prayer for **vocations**. Please pray the rosary daily for this intention. There will be a Deanery Vocation's Holy Hour at St Wulstan's, Wolstanton on October 29th, starting at 7.00 pm. Fr Michael Miners would be very delighted to welcome you.

**Season of Creation:** You are encouraged to visit the **Prayer and Reflection Area** in St George and St Martin's. You can write your pledge 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.

**Kenya Raffle:** One of our altar servers, Jasmine is going to Kenya next year to help redecorate a school and work with the local children. She will be selling raffle tickets after Mass in SGSM to help pay for her travel. The draw will take place next week. Thank you.

**LiveSimply Tip: October 26th.** Cut waste. This is better for the enviroment and for your pocket. Make a weekly meal plan, and shop for this rather than impulse buying. Keep bread in the freezer, defrosting as needed. Use overripe fruit in baking – apple or banana cake for example, or in a smoothie. Add spare veg to soups, pasta , sauces. It will save it going to landfill. If you aren't ready to eat this, store it in the freezer for a later

**All Saints Day:** All Saints Day takes place on Friday. This is a Holyday of Obligation. Mass will be offered in our Mission Partner Parish of **St Mary's, Norton** at 9.30 am (Ford Green Road ST6 8EZ). Mass will be offered in **Sacred Heart**, Jasper Street at 1.05 pm. Fr Michael Miners warmly invites you to visit **St Wulstan's**, Wolstanton for Mass at 10.00 am (Church Lane, ST5 0EF) and/or **St John's**, Chesterton for Mass at 6.00 pm. (Loomer Road, ST5 7JS). DYK Fr Michael is **40** this year!