

## St Bernard of Clairvaux Parish:

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

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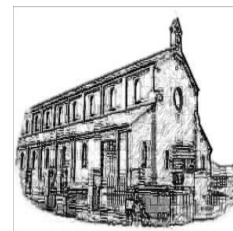
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### Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

February 15th and 16th 2026

Psalter Week 2 Year A: Year of St. Matthew



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

Saturday: 5.00 pm Margaret Johnson/  
Margaret Bloor (Int)  
Wednesday 10.00 am Mary and Peter Lovatt  
Friday 9.30 am For the Sick of the Parish  
Saturday 5.00 pm Paul and Cynthia Wightman

Rosary Friday 10.15 am OLSB

Stations of the Cross Saturday 9.45 am SGSM

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

Sunday 9.30 am Madge and Reg Casey Family  
Tuesday 7.00 pm Archbishop Richard Moth  
Wednesday 7.00 pm Eddie and Dennis Hunt  
Thursday 9.45 am Peace in Ukraine  
Saturday 10.15 am McKiernan and Timmins Families  
Sunday 9.30 am Mairin Pepper

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday at 10.45 am SGSM.

Saturday 5.00 pm OLSB

**Faithful Departed:** please pray for those who have died recently: Giuseppe Tauro Also for Fr Brian Wall, former parish priest of St Maria Goretti, Bentilee whose Funeral Mass will be on February 20th at 11.30 at Oulton Abbey. (ST15 8UP) May they rest in peace.

**Bellcote Appeal:** We need to raise £60,000 for the Bellcote and roof repairs; Please remember: We have three envelopes you can use to donate. *Existing users* of offertory envelopes & S/O's who gift aid. *Tax payers* who wish to make a **one off** gift aid donation. *Non-taxpayers* who wish to make a donation. Please ask for guidance. Alternatively you can donate using your bank card at the terminal in Church or by scanning the QR Code above.



**RCIA** The course continues on Saturday at 11.00 am.

**Walk:** This Lent, we are invited to walk together in faith and solidarity. By taking on the challenge of walking 200km in the 40 days of Lent, we join thousands of walkers to bring the gift of clean water to our neighbours who lack it. Zaneta Jackson, OLSB CAFOD Rep is undertaking the challenge and you can sponsor her online from Ash Wednesday. . Go to [www.walk.cafod.org.uk](http://www.walk.cafod.org.uk). Look up: *find a fundraiser*. Then type in Zan. Lenten Fast Day is on **February 27th** this year.

**Bonus Ball** Last winner was Viv Watts

**North Staffs Deanery Vocations Mass:** The annual Mass will be celebrated in St Joseph's, Goldenhill on Monday 2nd March at 6.30 pm.

**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 both parishes.

Contact Mel on 07857973468 or [sg.boc.stokeontrent@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.boc.stokeontrent@rcaob.org.uk). You can contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team on 0121 230 6240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns

**Fundraising** Thank you for your support with the fundraising for the bellcote that we have done. DFYD:

**Saturday February 21st** Italian Meal @ Teresa's. If you would like to go please speak to Teresa or Luigi

**Friday March 6th** - curry night in the **Marian Room** in Our Lady and St Benedict's made by our Indian families. £10 tickets now on sale! Under 16's £5.00

**Sunday March 22nd** - 10.30am Our annual auction! If anyone has received an unwanted Christmas present why not consider donating it to the parish.

**Saturday April 25th** 7.00 pm A beautiful concert performed by HIMIG Choral Choir from London & TRIUNE VOICES of North Staffordshire Tickets: £10 on sale now!

**Welcome** This Sunday we will welcome Ben Hawley to Mass. Ben will be on placement with us during Lent as part of his training to become a permanent deacon. His home parish is St Maria Goretti's. Please make him welcome.

**Ash Wednesday:** This year Ash Wednesday falls on 18th February 2026. Mass will be celebrated in Abbey Hulton at 10.00 am and in Birches Head at 7.00 pm.