



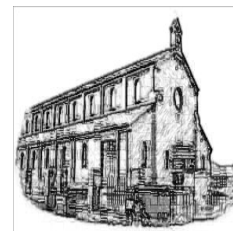
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Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

February 8th and 9th 2026

Psalter Week 1 Year A: Year of St. Matthew



Our Lady and St Benedict's Mass and Service Times

Saturday: 5.00 pm Mairin Pepper
Thursday 9.15 am Fr Brian Wall
Friday 9.45 am For the Sick of the Parish
Saturday 5.00 pm Margaret Johnson (Int)

Rosary Friday 10.15 am OLSB

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturday 9.45 am SGSM

St George and St Martin's Mass and Service Times

Sunday 9.30 am Smith Family (Dec'd)
Tuesday 7.00 pm Hetman Family (Int)
Wednesday 9.45 am Amal Lukose and Nimmy James
Saturday 10.15 am McKiernan and Timmins Families
Sunday 9.30 am Madge and Reg Casey

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday at 10.45 am SGSM.
Saturday 5.00 pm OLSB

Faithful Departed: please pray for those who have died recently: Máirin Pepper. 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.

Mass Intentions: Booking now for 2026. Please use the envelopes provided to make a donation, fill in a date on the calendar.

CAFOD Big Lent 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.

Bonus Ball Last winner was Janet Powell

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. You can contact the

Diocesan Safeguarding Team on 0121 230 6240 or 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 school made by our Indian families. £10 tickets now on sale!

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 Next 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.

Filipino Choir: Mainit na pagtanggap sa koro. A warm welcome to the Filipino Choir.