



The Catholic Parishes of St John the Evangelist and St Wulstan

Part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Reg. Charity No.
234216



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Parish Website

<https://stjohnandstwulstan.org.uk>

North Staffs Deanery Website

www.northstaffordshire-catholicdeanery.org.uk

Parish Office: c/o St Wulstan's Presbytery, Church Lane, Wolstanton, Staffs ST5 0EF

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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance & the National & Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Safeguarding Representatives are named above. They can be contacted as above or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 01212306240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

The Parish Newsletter for the weekend of:

Year A: 22nd February 2026

First Sunday of Lent

SVP Coffee Morning after 11am Mass

Access available.



Loop system



facilities in Wolstanton and Chesterton

Our schools

Primary School:

St Wulstan's Catholic School

Church Lane

Wolstanton

ST5 0EF

Headteacher: **Mr Ben Grove**

Tel: 01782 973722



<https://www.st-wulstans.staffs.sch.uk>

Secondary School:

St John Fisher Catholic College

Ashfields New Road

Newcastle-under-Lyme

ST5 2SJ

Headteacher: **Mr Garrett Murray**

Tel: 01782 615636



<https://saintjohnfishercc.co.uk>

Our Mission Statement

We welcome everyone and will work to develop a community of faith and compassion; where parishioners' talents and abilities are used to encourage the young, cherish the elderly and support each other's needs and to bring God's love to all.

Mass Intentions:

Please continue to send Mass intention requests via:

✉ stwulstan.wolstanton@rcaob.org.uk Tel: 01782 626611 or post through the presbytery door.

Confessions: CONFESSIONS AT ST WULSTAN'S SATURDAY 10-11AM CONTINUING BEFORE 6PM MASS AS BEFORE

Community Centre Bookings/Enquiries:

Please email your bookings and requests to: amachin.wul@ctkcc.co.uk

This week's Liturgy for Wolstanton and Chesterton

<u>Date</u>	<u>Saints</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Sat. 21 st	St Peter Damian, Bishop	W	6pm	Henry Joseph & Rose Rowley R.I.P	
Sun.22 nd <u>First Sunday of Lent</u>	<u>Day of Prayer for Candidates for the Sacraments</u>	Ch W	9.15am 11am	Hannon, Wilcox, Swanlott Dutton & Machin Family	<u>Live Streamed (W)</u>
Mon.23 rd	St Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr				
Tues.24 th				NO MASS	
Weds.25 th		W W W	9.30am <u>6.30pm</u> <u>7pm</u>	Leon Christopher Valentine <u>Confession & Adoration</u> Thomas Healey	<u>School Mass Live Streamed</u>
Thurs.26 th		Ch	10am	Tom Poyner & Family R.I.P	
Fri. 27 th	St Gregory of Narek	<u>W</u> <u>W</u> <u>W</u>	<u>7am</u> <u>9.30am</u> <u>10am</u>	<u>Adoration</u> Bell & Smith Families	<u>Live Streamed (W)</u>
Sat. 28 th	St Oswald, Bishop	W	6pm	Henry Joseph Rowley R.I.P	<u>Family Mass Led by Yr4</u>
Sun.1 st <u>Second Sunday of Lent</u>		Ch W	9.15am 11am	40yr Wedding Anniversary-Thanksgiving Pro Populo	<u>Live Streamed (W)</u>

Live Streaming: Following guidance from the Diocese, we must inform/remind you when Mass is live streamed, on You tube, people in the front half of Church **MAY be visible**. During the act of giving communion live streaming will be halted. **IF YOU STRONGLY OBJECT TO BEING LIVE STREAMED** please speak to one of the stewards. [Please search St Wulstans wolstanton2 to view live or, at a later date.](#)

Pope's Prayer Intention for February– For children with incurable diseases: let us pray that, children suffering from incurable diseases & their families, receive the necessary medical care & support, never losing strength & hope

Collection

St Wulstan's: Sum up Payments Dec. £265.08 Jan. £248.32

St John's: Sum up Payments Dec. £226.61 Jan. £209.88

This weekend's Liturgy

First Reading: Genesis: 2: 7-9, 3:1-7; The creation & sin of our first parents.

Response: Psalm 51: Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Second Reading: Romans 5 :12-19; Where sin increased, grace abounded all the more.

Glory & Praise to you O Christ, one does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God, **Glory & Praise to you O Christ**

Gospel: St. Matthew: 4:1-11: Jesus fasts for forty days & is tempted.

Music: Missa Brevis-Lotti; Turn thy face from my sins-Attwood; **Organ Postlude:** Hertzlich tut mich Verlangen-Brahms

Prayers: Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick or ill, particularly our own, John Hely, Tony Jenkins, Alex McGlynn, Brittany Lamb, Ann Scully, Greg Scully, Rob Wynne, Margaret Oldham, Terry Hennigan, Irene Zyla, Anna & Trevor, Imelda Jeffrey, Vincent Harrington, Glenys Price, Harrison Gratton (Yr4 child at school), Deb Taylor, Nesta Garrett, Marie Dennison, Liz Murphy, Sandra Hollings, those who are housebound and those who care for them and all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Baptism Classes: The next course will be **Saturday 21st March, 10.30am** in the Lady Chapel Please ring Margaret Oldham if you wish to attend Thank you (07751012870)

Asylum-seekers & refugees living locally Thank you for your wonderful support of Sanctus with donations of food & toiletries over recent years. Please continue your generosity - it is much appreciated.

St. Wulstan's Church will be open for private prayer every Monday, Wednesday & Friday 2.45-3.45pm please use this opportunity to spend some time in quiet prayer

TEA, COFFEE & REFRESHMENTS ARE SERVED AFTER EVERY SUNDAY MASS AT ST JOHN'S- ALL WELCOME

LIVE SIMPLY

Each month our Churches will be focus on simple actions to LIVE SIMPLY. Each monthly focus will be displayed in our Churches: **February**

- **We will do our best to:** 1. Limit screen time & be a good example to others.
2. Develop menus that avoid ultra-processed foods.

S.V.P- wish to thank those Parishioners who have kindly donated items for the poor & needy, please keep up the good work all you donate is gratefully received.

Our Parishes SVP Group are currently collecting for the homeless. There is a collection box at the back of Church for your donations of good quality clothes, shoes, socks, bedding, small electrical items, any queries please see Anne Nixon THANK YOU

Dates for your Diary:

Stations of the Cross during Lent: Fridays 7pm; 20.2; 6.3 20.3 at St Wulstans;27.02;13.3; 27.3 St Johns

Lenten Prayer Groups: Two groups at St Wulstan's, Monday 7.30pm, Wednesday 1.30pm; One group at St John's, Fridays 6pm
There is a sign-up sheet at the back of each Church.

THE BIG LENT WALK Ready for a personal challenge this Lent? Walk 200km, any time, any where this Lent to raise funds for CAFOD's life saving water project. For details look up **CAFOD The Big Lent Walk** to set up your own 'Just Giving Account' for your school, walking group or just your-self.

SPUC is running their Youth conference [The Culture Awakes \(16-35 year olds\)](#) between Friday 27th February and Sunday 1st March. This is taking place at Yarnfield Park, Stone, while close, it is also difficult to get to on public transport. Fr Nick will be encouraging his parish youth group to go. It might be possible to share lifts. Early Bird tickets have now closed; the cost for a standard ticket is £150.

Monday 2nd March 6.30pm North Staffs Deanery Mass for Vocations St Joseph's Catholic Church, High Street Goldenhill ST16 5RD

Easter Hamper Raffle following the fundraising success of the Christmas Hamper Raffle, Jenny Davies & her fundraising team are hoping, with your Easter themed donations to put together an Easter Hamper, please donate anything you can which would be suitable for the Hamper Thank you as always for your continued support.

FROM FR. JOHN

We have begun the Holy season of Lent, doing penance in preparation for the impending arrival of Easter.

There are 3 weekly opportunities for confession in our parishes, 10-11am Saturday, 5:30-5:45pm Saturdays and 6:30-6:55pm Wednesdays. Your anonymity is preserved by the grill in our confessional. Do try to come to confession during Lent.

We are also celebrating the stations of the Cross at 7pm each Friday.

Friday 20th February; 6th March & 20th March, St Wulstan's

Friday 27th February; 13th March & 27th March, St John's.