



St Bernard of Clairvaux Parish:

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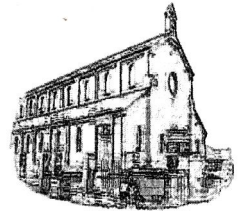
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North Staffordshire Deanery



28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 10th and 11th 2026

Psalter Week 4 Year A: Year of St. Matthew

Our Lady and St Benedict's:

Mass and Service Times

Saturday 5.00 pm John and Gertrude Regan

Monday 11.00 am Margaret Wooldridge
(Funeral Mass)

Thursday 9.15 am In Thanksgiving

Friday 9.45 am Celebrant's Intention

Saturday 5.00 pm Julie Hughes

St George and St Martin

Mass & Service Times

Sunday 9.30 am Fidela Aguirre, Maria Belcastro and
Roger Mayer

Tuesday 7.00 pm In Thanksgiving

Saturday 10.15 am Holy Souls

Sunday 9.30 am Don and Beryl Griffiths

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.45 am SGSM Saturday 4.30 pm OLSB Rosary Tuesday 6.40 pm SGSM Friday 10.15 am OLSB Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturday 9.45 am

Next Social & Fundraising Meeting; Thank you to all those who attended the recent meeting. The Christmas Fayre will take place on **November 21st**. Can you help with setting up and tidying up? Can you assist with running a stall? All proceeds will go to the Bellcote Fund and for heating and lighting in both churches. It runs from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm. Raffle Tickets on sale this weekend. Next meeting November 7th.

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.sboc.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

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 at the top of the page.

Parish Bank Account Please note the bank account has now changed to: St Bernard of Clairvaux Parish.

Faithful Departed: Of your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Wooldridge. Margaret's body will be brought into Church on **Sunday October 11th** at 4.00 pm and the Funeral Mass will take place on **Monday October 12th** at 11.00 am. Also pray for Pat Harvey. May they rest in peace.

Month of Prayer for Vocations: October is the Deanery Vocation's Month. There are prayer cards at the back of church. There will be a Mass for Vocations and a Holy Hour on Tuesday October 20th.

Harvest Soup Following the Harvest Mass this Thursday, parishioners are invited to visit Our Lady and St Benedict school for harvest soup.

Harvest Season: The Prayer and Reflection Area in SGSM's will now focus on our gratitude for the fruits of the harvest. For the month of October we will collect donations for Asha. Items needed include basmati rice, sunflower cooking oil, long life (UHT) milk, tinned tuna, tinned tomatoes, coffee, tea, biscuits, jam, honey, sugar, chickpeas and other pulses, cereals, flour, salt and pepper. We cannot accept products containing meat, or sauces or soups in packets. ASHA would also be grateful for any donations of bed linen, towels and nearly new clothing. If you would like to donate flowers in memory of a loved one please bring them with you to Mass.

Click Clack Club will next meet on October 22nd in OLSB from 10.00 am onwards.

World Mission Sunday: The Holy Father has chosen the theme 'One in Christ, united in mission' to celebrate 100 years of World Mission Sunday. Please pray for the work of mission. The Second Collection will be taken up next weekend for Missio. . Gift Aid envelopes and prayer cards available at the back of church.

Whatsapp Group please fill in the slip of paper at the doorway of the church and we will add you to the contact list. We will send you information such as how to gain access to the car park in SGSM, the weekly newsletter as well as the winner of the Bonus Ball.