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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT ORDINARY TIME YEAR A 19th MARCH 2017

Dear Parishioners,

'**Christ, the Spring of Life.** Through Baptism Christ becomes within us a source of the living waters of grace. Through the Holy Spirit the love of God is poured in to our hearts and our spiritual thirst is quenched. We really come alive. We become in our turn the wells of God's goodness at which people will drink.'(Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Please pray for Carla Antoinette Carmona who is to be baptized in to the family of the Church this Saturday afternoon.

Next weekend we will hold a White Flower Appeal for the Society for the Protection of Unborn children. In 2017, we are commemorating the 50th anniversary of the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act. Over 8.7 million unborn children have lost their lives due to abortion in the last 50 years. Please help make 2017 a landmark year in SPUC's history campaign to win legal protection for unborn children.

Your prayers are asked for the Governors of St Augustine's Primary School as they interview four candidates who have applied for the position of HeadTeacher to succeed Mrs Willmott. The interviews will take place on Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th March.

Thank you for your very generous response to the CAFOD Family Fast Day, which has reached just over £4,000:00. This money will be used for CAFOD's long-term development. However, CAFOD has written to us asking for our further help for the people of East Africa who are faced with a severe shortage of food as a consequence of no rainfall for the best part of 3 years. We will hold a second collection this weekend.

You may wish to purchase a new publication entitled 'Aglow with Light' by Carmel Comerford C.P. Where to find it! Amazon.UK Books/Religious Price £5 Proceeds to the Homeless. (Carmel attends Mass regularly at St Augustine's.)

Thank you to all who have supported the Dementia Awareness Week, including providing scones for after the weekend Masses. Proceeds will be given towards the Pastoral Care Project. **There is a one-day conference** for young men of our diocese aged 14-18 years of age; to be held at the national Motorcycle Museum on Wednesday 5th April 2017. The aim of the conference is to provide young men from the Archdiocese with an opportunity to explore what it means to respond to the call of Christ in their lives.Please see poster in porch for details.

18th March Saturday	Micah 7:14-15,18-20 Luke 15:1-3,11-32 9.00am No Mass	Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon
Lent Feria St Cyril of Jerusalem	Exodus 17:3-7 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 John 4:5-42 12.30pm Mary O'Sullivan-RIP Frank Lyons-RIP	Tea & Coffee after 12.30pm Mass
19th March THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	Exodus 17:3-7 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 John 4:5-42	Tea & Coffee after 9.00am and 11.00am Mass
Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments	9.00am All People of the Parish 11.00am Ellen Shinton-RIP	Stations of the Cross 4.00pm
20th March Monday SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	2 Samuel 7:4-5, 12-14, 16 Romans 4:13,16-18,22 Matthew 1:16,18- 21,24 OR Luke 2:41-51 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Ann McNally-Intention	Pre-School 9.00am-12.45pm 'Journeying in Faith'- after 10.00am Mass
21st March Tuesday Lent Feria	Daniel 3:25,34-43 Matthew 18:21-35 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Mary Duffy-Intention Kathleen McCarthy	Pre-School 9.00am-12.45pm Legion of Mary 6.30pm Youth Group 7.00-9.00pm
22nd March Wednesday Lent Feria	Deuteronomy 4:1,5-9 Matthew 5:17-19 9.35am The Rosary 7.30am Bridget Glynn-RIP 10.00am Pat Mullen-80 th Birthday	Parents & Toddlers Group 9.15am-11.00am Rainbows 4.30pm-5.30pm Brownies 5.45pm-7.30pm
23rd March Thursday Lent Feria St Turibius of Mongrovejo	Jeremiah 7:23-28 Luke 11:14-23 10.00am No Mass 12.05am The Rosary 12.30pm Una Greene-Intention Mary O'Donnell & Family-Intentions	Pre-School 9.00am-12.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 12.00pm 7.00pm SVP Meeting
24th March Friday Lent Feria	Hosea 14:2-10Mark 12:28-349.35am The Rosary10.00am Aine Shields-RIP6.30pm Margaret Moran & Family-Intentions	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10am Mass Until 12.30pm Exposition 5.00pm-5.45pm Stations of the Cross 5.45pm Followed by Mass at 6.30pm
25th March Saturday SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD	Isaiah 7:10-14 Hebrews 10:4-10 Luke 1:26-38 9.00am No Mass 1 Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41 12.30pm Marian Fraser-RIP Patrick Brady-RIP	Confession/Exposition 11.00- 12.00 Noon Tea & Coffee after 12.30pm Mass
26th March Fourth Sunday of Lent	1 Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41 9.00am Mildred Pountney-RIP	Tea & Coffee after 9am and 11.00am Mass
	11.00am Brendan McGovern-Birthday	Stations of the Cross 4.00pm

Offertory Collection last week: £1,183:56 (Gift Aid £244:25 Loose £939:31)

2nd Collection this week: Emergency CAFOD appeal- People of East Africa Next Weekend-White Flower Appeal for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children

A 'Prayer Request' box can now be found in each entrance porch. You are welcome to place the names of those you would like prayers for, or any prayer intention you may have in the box as provided. Your intentions will be transferred to the Sanctuary on a weekly basis, and prayers will be offered for all those mentioned.

LENT MATTERS-Evening sessions Tuesday evening at 7.30pm-St Alphege Church Please see poster for details; March, 21st March, 28th March, 4th April.

Paid Internship Scheme at St. Peter's Solihull Teaching School Alliance Are you in your second year of University studying Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics. Or do you know someone who is? Then you may be interested in a paid internship. See Poster in porch for details.

Have you got something to share? Then the Augustinian needs you! The next edition of the Augustinian is due out just before Easter so now is the time to send in articles, comments, stories and of course lots of photos. Even just a few lines or sentences that I can write up would be most welcome. Please remember without your contributions there is no magazine. You can send material to me by email at: <u>Gerard.burgess1@gmail.com</u> or material can be handed in at the Presbytery. Many thanks Gerard Burgess

Programme Co-ordinator St. Mary's Oscott College is seeking to make a full-time appointment to work in liaison with the Director of Studies on the co-ordination and development of significant changes in the seminary programme of studies. A successful candidate must have a degree or relevant equivalent professional experience of a degree programme or student administration within a Higher Education setting. Application Closing Date: 31st March 2017

Interview Date: 11th April 2017 For more information on the work of Oscott College please visit: <u>http://www.oscott.net</u> Please send CV including details of relevant experience to jobs@oscott.org

WALSINGHAM- Saturday 13th May 2017 .For details please see poster in porch or telephone 0121 440 8623 GIFT-AID ENVELOPES- Please collect your new box of envelopes from the front porch; please inform Father Dominic of any changes to address or tax situation so that accurate records may be maintained. If you wish to join the Gift Aid Scheme forms are available in the Sacristy.

Readers this week	Eucharistic Ministers this week
SUNDAY	SUNDAY
9.00am Bernard McHale	9.00am Caroline McGonigle & Ken Bolton
Michael Keating	Madeleine & Gerry Coburn
11.00am Chris Hodrien	11.00am Annette Kelly
Juliana Benjamin	Dasan Nettikkadan
Cleaning Rota: for week	beginning March 20th for Services March 25th/26th –F
Mary Congdon, G	eraldine Saunders, Philip Saunders, Bob Ashman
Flower Rota: – for week beginnin	g March 20th for Services March 25th/26th-No Flowers in Lent

Joseph Lockington

Eilish Duffy

John Balder

Heath Balder

Teresa Farrelley

Therese Coulton

Norman Hart

Doreen Shirley

Finbarr Herron

Baby Lara Constantinou

David Nunan

Anthony Sadler

Kathleen McLoughlin

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish

Jayne Hemming Brian Jones Anne White Peter Griffin Clare Farmer James Farmer Martha Sheridan Katie Kelly Patricia Jones Andrew Simpson Mick Green Bernadette Day Kate McAvinney Sarah Maloney **Christopher Browne** Ann Marie Boyd Kathy Stead Amando Tenorio Maureen McLoughlin Louisa and Nick Margaret Kelly Peggy Roper Angela D'Arcy Joseph Farmer Baby Lily Day Rose Walsh Aidan, Patrick and Michael O'Donnell Martine and Rita McDonnell **Raymond Shenstone** Cornelius Callanan Sally & Maddy John Keaney Glen Hughes Susanna Gordon Michael Cassidy Mark Andrew Sutton Dean Elisabeth Scull Gavin Jones **Richard Bird**

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION MARCH 25th Angelus

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary. R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. <u>Hail Mary</u>, etc.

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord, R. Be it done unto me according to Thy word. Hail Mary, etc.

> V. And the Word was made flesh, R. And dwelt amongst us. Hail Mary, etc.

V. Pray for us, O most holy Mother of God, R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that, as we have known the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son by the message of an Angel, so by His Passion and Cross we may be brought to the glory of the Resurrection.



Please pray for: John Smyth (Our Lady of the Wayside Church, Requiem Friday 31st March 11.00am; Reception Thursday 30th March 7.00pm) John McIntyre (Requiem Wednesday 29th March 10.00am) Bernadette O'Driscoll (Requiem Wednesday 5th April, 12.30pm) Iris Toolan and Stanley Jeynes who died recently. Also Alma O'Dwyer, Ellen Shinton, Alice Crow, Margaret Baker, Frank Edward Davenport, Gerard Jerome McBrien, Scott Maclean, Anne Nancy Flynn, Lily Sage, Josef Guixe, Bernadette(Brandy) Julia Lawrence, Mary Gwendoline Robinson and Annie Bridget McTernan whose anniversaries are at this time.

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