

**SAINT AUGUSTINE  
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**Fr Dominic Kavanagh    Fr Paul Devaney    Deacon Kevin O'Connor**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter 6th May 2018**

**Dear Parishioners,**

**'God is love.** True love is from God. The Holy Spirit comes not only to us but to many outside the visible Church. In these people we too praise the wonderful saving power of God. We prove we are Christians by the generous love which we show to one another and to all people irrespective of race, colour or creed. (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**We welcome to our Parish this weekend** Deacon Tim Anthony who will be speaking to us about 'Aid to the Church in Need.' There will be some products and items of piety available for you to purchase.

**The second of May's baptismal** preparation evenings takes place on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 8pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

**There are two Parents'** evenings for our First Holy Communion children; on May 9<sup>th</sup> and May 16<sup>th</sup> at 8pm in the Parish Hall. Please do your best to attend. Free car parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park.

**The Clergy of the Deanery** are meeting here at St Augustine's on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. There will be prayers in church at 6.30pm. **Father Philip Griffin** of Holy Family Church, Small Heath, is organising a coach to go on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham, which takes place on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May, leaving Holy Family at 7am and returning at 9pm. The cost will be £15 per person plus the Diocesan Levy (£3). To book a place, pilgrims will need to telephone Fr Philip at Holy Family Church- 0121 772 0059. There is a secure locked car park where cars can be left safely for the day. **We are organising a Parish Walk in** the Bluebell Woods at Wootton Wawen on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May, leaving after 11am Mass. We will start the Walk at 1pm meeting in the Courtyard at the Yew Tree Farm. Please bring a picnic lunch. Forms will be available for you to sponsor 'Liam', Father Dominic's canine friend. Proceeds will go towards the Oxford Handicapped Fellowship group. **Advance notice**, we will hold a Rosary Rally here at St Augustines on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May; Holy Hour 2pm; Mass 3pm followed by May Procession.

**Father Paul** has sold his car and thanks you for the interest shown.

**This Thursday is Ascension Thursday** and is a Holy Day of obligation. Mass will be at: 10am; 12.30pm; and 7pm. (9.15am at St Augustine's School.) For the 7pm Mass there will be free parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park.



**Offertory Collection last week: £1,206:55(Gift Aid £306:50 Loose £900:05 )**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection next Sunday: Catholic Communications**

**There is an appeal from Tabor House**, the night shelter in Digbeth, for Volunteers to help with the care of the homeless. Also, Tabor House are advertising two vacancies, please see poster in porch for details.

**PART-TIME CLEANER REQUIRED** The Columban missionaries are looking to appoint a hardworking and reliable individual to join our small housekeeping team for 9 hours per week over three days Mon-Fri. Based at St. Columban's on the Widney Manor Road, Solihull. For more details and to apply, please contact Fr. Bernie McDermott or Katie Howard on 01564 772 096 or email: [office@columbans.co.uk](mailto:office@columbans.co.uk). Deadline for applications is Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

**Thank you so much to those who attended** the event with Marie Cooke from Maryvale Institute at St Augustine's Church, Solihull in March! I'd like to make sure that all those who would like to begin a course of study at Maryvale have the opportunity to do so, or indeed others you think would benefit from studying there. If interested contact Marie Cooke (FE Director) at: [fedirector@maryvale.ac.uk](mailto:fedirector@maryvale.ac.uk) or on 0121 360 8118

**Christian Aid Week starts** on 13th May with a Coffee morning/ Ploughman's Lunches on Sat 12 May at The Methodist Church from 10am-2pm;-collectors required – around the Damson Wood Estate please see Fr Dominic if you can help.

**Bishop Challoner Teaching School Alliance** is currently interviewing for Trainee Teachers to start their School Direct (PGCE) training in Sep 2018. Do you know someone who would make a great Primary or Secondary teacher? Why not come and have a chat with us about this great career choice. We work with schools across Birmingham and the Midlands. See [www.bctsa.org](http://www.bctsa.org) for details or call us on 0121 441 6175. Inspire the next generation

**ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER - CATHOLIC LIFE AND RE** who is a committed and practising Catholic required at St Edmund Campion Catholic School for September 2018. Closing date: 17 May 2018. For further details and an application pack please contact Mary Finnegan, PA to Headteacher, on 0121 464 7040.

**There will be an illustrated** talk about the life of the martyred Bishop, Oscar Romero, in the parish centre on Monday, 21st May at 7:30pm. Visiting speaker Mrs G. Allison. All welcome. Donations to CAFOD gratefully accepted.

**The 9am Children's Liturgy group** is an important part of our Parish activity and has been attended by many young people in the Parish over the years it has been running. We are looking for new helpers to deliver the classes (approximately once every six weeks). No previous experience is necessary and you will be fully supported with all resources supplied. Experience gained is useful for anyone looking to find a job in a school or other children's organisation. For further information please talk to Father Dominic, Kate Maddock, Anita Melrose or Susan Cotter.

**The Annual Pilgrimage** to the Shrine of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will take place on Sunday 10th June in the grounds of Maryvale Institute. This day will be preceded by a novena to the Sacred Heart from 31st May - 8th June.

<b>Readers this week</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers this week</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>
<b>9.00am</b> Teresa Cund <i>SCHOOL YEAR 6</i>	<b>9.00am</b> Ken Bolton/ Don Deneny <i>Ken Bolton &amp; Don Deneny</i>
<b>11.00am</b> Sarah Pitchford <i>Chris Hodrien</i>	<b>11.00am</b> Eilish Duffy <i>Eilish Duffy</i>
<b>Cleaning Rota: for week beginning May 7th for Services 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> May - B</b> Monica Green, Maureen Casey, Bernadette Rourke	
<b>Flowers Rota: – for week beginning May 7th for Services 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> May – Joy Walker/Charlotte Poole</b>	

**Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish**

Jayne Hemming	Brian Jones	Anne White	Joseph Lockington
Clare Farmer	James Farmer	Kathleen McLoughlin	Martha Sheridan
Patricia Jones	Eilish Duffy	Mick Green	Andrew Simpson
Bernadette Day	Patrick Gallagher	Richard Bird	Russell
Christopher Browne	Kate McAvinney	Sarah Maloney	John Balder
Ann Marie Boyd	Kathy Stead	Amando Tenorio	Heath Balder
Maureen McLoughlin	Louisa and Nick	Margaret Kelly	Teresa Farrelley
Joseph Farmer	Peggy Roper	Therese Coulton	Patrick Withers
Baby Lily Day	Rose Walsh	Aidan, Patrick and Michael O'Donnell	Norman Hart
Martine and Rita McDonnell	Raymond Shenstone	Cornelius Callanan	Doreen Shirley
Sally & Maddy	John Keaney	Glen Hughes	Finbarr Herron
Susanna Gordon	Mark Andrew Sutton	David Nunan	Angela Duffy
Dean	Gavin Jones	Baby Lara Constantinou	Tony Duffy
Suzanne RhodenTench	Margaret Hughes	Damian Poole	Christine Flynn



**As they were watching,  
he was lifted up,  
and a cloud took him  
out of their sight.**

**Acts 1.9**

## **ASCENSION PRAYER TO LIVE A FULL LIFE**

**O Lord, your Ascension into Heaven marks the culmination of the Paschal Mystery, and it contains an important teaching for us. May we live life as an earthly reality and develop our human potential to the fullest. May we make use of the results of science to achieve a better life on this planet. But in our best moments we know that there must be more than all of this, A transcending Reality. As Christians, we know that this Reality is your loving Father who awaits us with you and the Holy Spirit. Where you have gone, we ultimately will come-if we are faithful.**

**Please pray for:** Vincent Lynch, Pamela Smith and Urszula Paszkowski who died recently.  
Also Wincenty (Victor) Zarebski, Mary Griffin, Anthony Francis, Agnes Theresa Kilcoyne, Maria Malik, Gloria Cox, Percy Plant, Kenneth Walter Walton, Daniel Lynch, Frederick Leslie Burt, Mary Walton, Leslie Docker, Jocelyn Clare Hawker, Sheila Ann Callaghan, Margaret Danks, Annie & Robert Danks and Francis McKeown and all with anniversaries at this time.

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