

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

**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B    Sunday 9th September 2018**

**Dear Parishioners,**

**'Christ makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.** The power of Christ helps us to understand the Gospel and to speak its message to other people. Even though in the world's eyes we are poor nevertheless it is God who chooses people like us to be heirs to His kingdom. When we are down hearted we must learn not to be afraid. Our God is faithful to His promises.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**The second of September's baptismal** preparation evenings has been moved to Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

**Father Dominic writes:** 'Father Paul and I wish to thank you sincerely for helping to make our Birthday celebrations such a blessed and happy time for us. Thank you to all who participated in the beautiful Mass for Our Lady, including the Organist, Choir, Altar Servers and special thanks to our Secretary for putting together the Mass Booklet. Our thanks also for providing such an abundance of cakes, adding to the delight of the specially prepared birthday cake, featuring ourselves in relaxed 'mode'! We also appreciate the cards and the sentiments you expressed, and the generous gifts you included, and for the Mass Bouquets and prayers. Thank you also for making our families and friends from the Fellowship so very welcome. May our good Lord bless you in every way.'

**The Eucharistic Congress** in Liverpool takes place this weekend. Live coverage of events will be broadcast by 'Shalom World'- a Catholic family-friendly television channel offering a variety of programmes for the whole family. The channel is available on devices with internet connection. You can download Shalom World FREE app on smart phones, tablets, smart TV, or go to [www.shalomworldtv.org/live](http://www.shalomworldtv.org/live) to watch it on a computer.

**A Diocesan Celebration day** is being organised for Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October at St Thomas More School Nuneaton, CV10 7EX. It is a day for families and you are welcome to attend. It is a free event but booking is required. Please go on to the Birmingham Diocesan website. Stella Maris Mass- September 15<sup>th</sup> 4.30pm at St Chad's Cathedral Birmingham, with Archbishop Bernard.

<p>8th September</p> <p>Saturday</p> <p>FEAST</p> <p>Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p>	<p>Micah 5:1-4 OR Romans 8:28-30 Matthew 1:1-16,18-23 9.00am All People of the Parish</p> <p>Isaiah 35:4-7 James 2:1-5 Mark 7:31-37 12.30pm David Tickell-RIP Deacon Patrick Geary-RIP</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon Tea/Coffee after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p>9th September</p> <p>TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>Education Day</p>	<p>Isaiah 35:4-7 James 2:1-5 Mark 7:31-37</p> <p>9.00am Philomena Power-RIP</p> <p>11.00am The Doherty Family</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9am &amp; 11am Masses</p>
<p>10th September</p> <p>Monday</p> <p>Feria in Ordinary Time <i>Blessed Agnellus of Pisa/ St Egwin</i></p>	<p>1 Corinthians 5:1-8 Luke 6:6-11 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Gerry Maguire-RIP</p>	<p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm</p>
<p>11th September</p> <p>Tuesday</p> <p>Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>1 Corinthians 6:1-11 Luke 6:12-19</p> <p>9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Seamus Manley-Intention</p>	<p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm</p> <p>Legion of Mary 6.15pm</p>
<p>12th September</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>Feria in Ordinary Time <i>Most Holy Name of Mary</i></p>	<p>1 Corinthians 7:25-31 Luke 6:20-26 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Father Ignatius Marques-RIP John-RIP</p>	<p>Parents &amp; Toddlers Group</p> <p>Rainbows 4.30pm-5.30pm Brownies 5.45pm-7.30pm</p>
<p>13th September</p> <p>Thursday</p> <p>St John Chrysostom <i>'the golden mouthed'</i></p>	<p>1 Corinthians 8:1-7,11-13 Luke 6:27-38 7.30am All People of the Parish 12.05am The Rosary 12.30pm Hugh Convery-RIP Patrick Ryan-RIP</p>	<p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm</p> <p>Exposition 12.00pm-12.30pm</p> <p>SVP Meeting 7pm</p>
<p>14th September</p> <p>Friday</p> <p>FEAST</p> <p>EXALTATION OF THE CROSS</p>	<p>Numbers 21:4-9 OR Philippians 2:6-11 John 3:13-17 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Edmund McKenna-RIP</p> <p>6.30pm Special Intention</p>	<p>Exposition after 10am Mass until 12.30pm</p> <p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm</p>
<p>15th September</p> <p>Saturday</p>	<p>Isaiah 50:5-9 James 2:14-18 Mark 8:27-35 12.30pm Margaret Moran-Intention Holy Souls Mary Grory-RIP</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p>16th September</p> <p>Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Isaiah 50:5-9 James 2:14-18 Mark 8:27-35</p> <p>9.00am All People of the Parish</p> <p>11.00am Frank White-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9am &amp; 11am Masses</p>

**Offertory Collection last week: £1,219:80 (Gift Aid £236:70 Loose £983:10 )**  
**This Weekend Second Collection: Victims of the Floods in Kerala-Southern India**

**Next Weekend there will be a Second Collection for Home Mission Sunday**

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land**, Nov 21st.-28th., 2018 - .It is still possible to join the pilgrimage. The cost is now £997 per person sharing if you book before Aug 23rd. Forms/itineraries available from Fr John Peyton or Maxine Winspear at St Thomas More's, Sheldon, on 0121-743-2367. There will be a get-together for the pilgrims after the 5:30pm Mass on Sat, Sept. 15th at St Thomas More's.

**On 22-23 September** the second collection will be for Father Hudson's Care. Father Hudson's mission is to provide Catholic social care in the Archdiocese of Birmingham, reaching out to support vulnerable people young and old. At this time of funding cuts, the needs are greater than ever. Please give generously to this worthy cause.

**"The parish cub scout group** (boys and girls, 8-11 years) is critically short of leaders and are looking for adults of any age who can spare a couple of hours per week, no prior experience required, to help run this parish group. Please contact Nigel Watson ([Nigel.Watson@cern.ch](mailto:Nigel.Watson@cern.ch), 07929 714 309) for further details."

**Tabor House**, Birmingham's permanent night shelter is looking for volunteers – are you ready to give a hand? Tabor House has been open since September last year offering short-term accommodation and support to people living on the street in Birmingham. We are looking for more volunteers to support the project. You could help as: hospitality volunteer or Shift leader – evenings, overnights (you get 4 hours sleep) and mornings. A volunteer mentor to work one to one with guests To find out more, come along to the Open evening on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September from 6pm-9pm at St Anne's Catholic Church, 96 Bradford Street, Birmingham, B12 0PY or call Christy Acton on 07464 928691

### **Pilgrimage of the Sick to the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Hednesford**

There will be a Pilgrimage led by Bishop Robert Byrne for all those who are sick, their families and carers, Chaplains and Chaplaincy Volunteers and Healthcare Workers and Volunteers. To take place at 3 pm on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September at the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in Hednesford. Directions: Hednesford is near Cannock, a couple of miles off Junction 11 of the M6 and Junction T7 of the Toll Road. Follow signs to Hednesford and Rugeley A460. Train Service from New Street, Birmingham to Hednesford. The Church and Shrine is on Uxbridge Street on the A460, WS12 1DB. For further information contact: Fr Jeremy Howard, 01543 422576 or email [lol.hednesford@gmail.com](mailto:lol.hednesford@gmail.com)

**CATHOLIC FAMILY**- Looking for hard working Housekeeper/Cleaner for their Solihull home. 10am-2pm for 5 days, £160 per week. Interested? Email: [mj@buckleys.co](mailto:mj@buckleys.co)

**Pastoral Care Project AGM** Saturday 22nd September 2018 10 00am- 1.00pm St George's House, Coleshill B46 3FG. This will be an opportunity to hear about the resources we can offer to parishes, care homes and schools, e.g, Dementia Prayer Week 12-19th March 2019 and Instructions for my Funeral Mass and HeARTS and Minds programme. Speakers: Christine Edge Activities Manager, and Father Stephen Beale SDP talk "They recognised him at the breaking of the bread". Booking forms [www.pastoralcareproject.org.uk](http://www.pastoralcareproject.org.uk)

**ST THOMAS MORE SHELDON- EUCHARISTIC FESTIVAL SEPTEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>**; beginning at 9am Mass on 20<sup>th</sup> until 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>. Continuous Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. (Day and night.)during this period. See poster in porch for details.

<b>Readers this week</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers this week</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>
<b>9.00am</b> Pam Davies <i>Gerry Coburn</i>	<b>9.00am</b> Madeleine & Gerry Coburn <i>Madeleine &amp; Gerry Coburn</i>
<b>11.00am</b> Mary Clark <i>Marie Watts</i>	<b>11.00am</b> Helen Brookes <i>Helen Brookes</i>
<b>Cleaning Rota: for week beginning September 10th for Services 15th/16th September –F</b> Mary Congdon, Geraldine Saunders, George Saunders, Bob Ashman	
<b>Flowers Rota: – for week beginning September 10th for Services 15th/16th September – Wedding Flowers Bride</b>	

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

Virginia Gregory, Angela, Eilish, Tony Duffy Margaret Kelly Joan Kennedy Roberto Cordora  
O'Sullivan Family

## THE FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS: SEPTEMBER 14th

O God, who willed that Your Only Begotten Son  
should undergo the Cross to save the human race,  
grant, we pray,  
that we, who have known his mystery on earth,  
may merit the grace of his redemption in heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

The cross on which Jesus, the Son of Man, was lifted up has become the symbol of his victory over the power of evil. He made the instrument of humiliation, torture and death the instrument of our redemption.

[Let us pray

that the death of Christ on the cross

will bring us to the glory of the resurrection.]

God our Father,  
in obedience to you  
your only Son accepted death on the cross  
for the salvation of mankind.  
We acknowledge the mystery of the cross on earth.  
May we receive the gift of redemption in heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

**Please pray for:** Steve Walker who died recently. (Funeral Service 21<sup>st</sup> September 1.00pm). Also Frederick Williams, Andrew Edward Dobb, Carmen Agnes Makepeace, Arthur Leonard Lunn, Teresa Bourke, Teresa Wood, Valerie Harvey, James Patrick Haveron, Rose Mary Walsh, John Foley, and Thomas Joseph Smith and all with anniversaries at this time.

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