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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 1st August 2021

Dear Parishioners,

'**Christ the bread of life**. Man does not live on bread alone. It is only Christ who satisfies the hunger we all feel for God. God feeds us with the Eucharist just as in times past He fed the Jews with manna from heaven. It is through this unique act of God's love that we learn that the Lord is indeed our God.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: 'Dear Parishioners, Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I, are delighted to see more familiar faces returning to Church for Mass. We hope that you continue to feel safe whilst attending Mass and that you keep generally well and safe at all other times. We would like to have the Tuesday, Thursday and Friday morning Masses as public Masses at 10am. However, in order to do so we need the help of additional volunteers to welcome those attending, to take names and telephone numbers and to help clean the spaces where people have prayed. A sheet will be left in the porch for you to sign if you are able to volunteer. We will provide guidance for any new volunteers. It would be very pleasing if we were to keep open the Church for an hour after each of the weekday Masses so that parishioners and outsiders may have the opportunity to come and pray. To do so, we would need to have two volunteers to be in Church to welcome people when they arrive, guide them to a seat and afterwards clean the space in which they have prayed. Please sign the sheet in the side porch indicating your availability. We remain truly grateful for all who have volunteered of their time and energies to make it safe for us all to worship in Church.

Mr Brian Healy will speak to us at the Masses over the weekend regarding the March for Life which will take place on Saturday 4th September in London. A local coach is leaving from St Augustine's at 8.30am and returning approximately at 7.30pm. The cost is £15 half price children. **We offer our prayerful congratulations** to those marrying at St Augustine's this weekend. On Friday 30th July Daniel Gilligan and Molly Power; on Saturday 31st July Philip Cusack and Sarah Egan, and on Wednesday 4t August at Holy Cross, Walmley, David John Bayliss and Rebecca Laura Robinson.

Job vacancy: for a part time secretary at Olton Friary parish to support the parish priest. A job description is available on request from parish office, email - <u>info@oltonfriary.org.uk</u> or telephone 0121 706 0505. Applications close 9th August 2022.

| 31st July Saturday St Ignatius of Loyola | Leviticus 25:1,8-17Matthew 14:1-12Public and Live streamed10.00am Dolly Doherty-RIPLali Ratnarja & Family- Intentions | Church open for Private Prayer 9.30am Confession after 10am Mass 2.30pm Wedding Philip Cusack and Sarah Marie Egan | |
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| 1st August EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | Exodus 16:2-4,12-15 Ephesians 4:17,20-24 John 6:24-35 9.00am Public and Live streamed Marguerita Pearsall-Intentions Marina Duckmanton-RIP 11.30am Public and Live streamed Eta McCarthy-RIP All People of the Parish | Church open for Private Prayer 11.00am-11.30am Confession 10.45am-11.15am | |
| 2nd August Monday Feria in Ordinary Time St Eusebius of Vercelli | Numbers 11:4-15Matthew 14:13-2110.00am Public and Live streamedFather Jim McGloin- RIPJohnson AssociationEvelyn Harmon-RIP | | |
| St Peter Julian Eymard | | | |
| 3rd August Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time | Numbers 12:1-13Matthew 14:22-3610.00am Live streamed MassFather Robert Wright-RIPJohnson Association | | |
| 4th August Wednesday St John Vianney Patron of Universal Clergy | Joseph Kuroppem Parambil-RIP Numbers 13:1-2,25-14:1,26-29,34-35 Matthew 15:21-28 11.30am Public & Live streamed Mass Hughie Doherty Christian Morris-RIP | Private Prayer & Confession 10.45am-11.15am Lectio Divina' at 7.30pm To join in the Meeting please email Helen Brookes who will forward you the link to join the Meeting. Helen's email: ehb73@yahoo.co.uk | |
| 5th August Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary | Numbers 20:1-13Matthew 16:13-2310.00am Live streamed MassMaria Kelly-RIPGerald Dukes-RIP | | |
| 6th August Friday FEAST The Transfiguration of the Lord | Daniel 7:9-10,13-14 OR 2 Peter 1:16-19 Matthew 17:1-9 6.30pm Public & Live streamed Mass Eileen Agar-RIP Patricia Morgan-RIP | Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm | |
| 7th August Saturday St Sixtuss II St Cajetan(Hunter of Souls) | Deuteronomy 6:4-13 Matthew 17:14-20 Public and Live streamed 10.00am Joseph Kinnelly-Intention James Turner-RIP | Church open for Private Prayer 9.30am Confession after 10am Mass | |
| 8th August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | 1 Kings 19:4-8 Ephesians 4:30-5:2 John 6:41-51 Public and Live streamed 9.00am All People of the Parish Rita McDonnell-Intention Public and Live streamed 11.30am Jimmy McCabe-RIP Seamus Enright-RIP | Church open for Private Prayer 11.00am-11.30am Confession 10.45am-11.15am | |

Thank you for your Offertory contributions. 25th July Gift Aid: £215:00 Loose £442:31 Total £657:31 Standing Orders for month of May:£2,707 Standing Orders for month of June £1,809 **MARRIAGE MATTERS** www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (1 Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15 Ephesians 4:17, 20-24 John 6:24-35) Jesus will give us courage and strength The readings today focus very much on God's love and care for each of us. Our relationship at times can be challenged by something like a serious physical or mental illness, making it very hard to communicate. At such times, if we dig deep, we will find the trust we have in Jesus. This can pull us through together.

STANDING TALL- match individuals who have experienced homelessness into stable jobs in local businesses. We are working toward matching 20 people in Birmingham into work this year. We recruit individuals in Birmingham who have a spare room to become 'Amici' hosts. We train, support and pay (£500pcm) these individuals to welcome an individual in full time work into their home for 6 months before they are ready to take on their own independent accommodation, please see Fr Dominic if you are interested in this scheme.

The Society of St. Columban in Britain is seeking a part-time Donation Support Officer based at St. Columban's in Solihull. You will be providing exemplary fundraising/donation support to the Society of St. Columban in Britain. You will use all communications and administrative skills to capture fundraising/donation opportunities and maximise donation income. Hours of work: 9.00am to 4.00pm on 5 days per week Monday to Friday. Flexible working arrangements will be considered. For more details about the position and to apply, please contact or email the HR Advisor at 07562 657 382 or <u>hr@columbans.co.uk</u> or visit: <u>www.columbans.co.uk</u> . Deadline for applications: Midnight on Sunday 22nd August 2021

Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Multi Academy Company are looking for experienced staff to support the Central Team functions based at Bethany House. We are looking for a qualified accountant to support the Senior Finance Manager with financial tasks and reporting linked to supporting the accounting processes and transactions for our 13 schools. We are also looking for administrative support for the business and finance operations of the MAC.

These roles may be suitable for people looking to return to work or move into our expanding team. We are looking to recruit as soon as possible to enable training and work over the summer in readiness for schools returning in September 2021.For more information, please contact Jane Martin, MAC Administration and Compliance Lead by email – <u>martinj@olaas.co.uk</u> or by telephone 07541 6892632.

Father Fred has left some items of piety for any Parishioner who wishes to have an item. They are available on top of the piety stall in the main porch.

Situated in the beautiful surroundings of rural Warwickshire, **St Joseph's Care Home** offers a range of personalised services including residential care, specialised dementia care and short-term respite care in a friendly welcoming environment. With a dedicated and compassionate staff team who are passionate about making residents safe and happy in an environment that is just how home feels. If you or someone you know might benefit from the care offered and would be interested in more information or to book a virtual tour then please quote SJ1 and contact Care Home Manager Shelley Perryman on 01675 434559, email <u>shelleyperryman@fatherhudsons.org.uk</u> or visit our website at <u>www.stjosephscarehome.co.uk</u>

If you are having to go into hospital or a relative, neighbour or friend is having to go into hospital, and you wish them or yourself to receive a visit from the Priest or Chaplaincy team, would you please let your Parish Priest have details to pass on to the Chaplain. Alternatively, please telephone the Chaplain's Office at Heartlands Hospital- 0121 424 1369. In an emergency, please telephone the Hospital switchboard and ask them to contact the Catholic Chaplain to visit the patient, stating clearly which hospital, the name of the patient and the ward they are on.

| PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH | | | | | | |
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| Keith Frettsome | Virginia Gregory, | Angela, Eilish, | Tony Duffy | Martha Sheridan | Fr Fred Sheldon | |
| Roberto Cordora | Kevin Fahy | Sandy Simia | Adam Cole | Esther Brasil | Ken Bolton | |
| Trevor Windle | Danny Meadows | John Doyle | Dan Doyle | Kevin McDaid | Sue Hodrien | |
| Patricia Mann | Paul Mann Cor | nelius Callanan | John Kavanagh | Damian Poole | John White | |
| Diane Burgess | Kathleen Clark | Kathryn Farmer | Malachy Hanly | Sandra Evans | Roisin Brown | |
| Margaret Lennon | James Brown | John McCarthy | Kath Reidy | Eve | Noreen O'Connor | |
| Christopher Edm | und Poole | for protection ar | nd peace in the Mb | ag Family | Peggy Lundy | |
| Nicole Plummer | Greta & Bucks Mora | an Keith Richie | Pat Brogan | Amanda Stellfox | Thelma Cole | |
| Mary Johnson | Anne Deary | Jane Tibbs | William Moran | Molly Saunders | Gillian Jones | |
| Damian Ryan | | | | | | |

A Prayer for Vocations

Through the intercession of St. John Vianney

O God our Father, You promised "I will appoint shepherds for My sheep who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble: and none shall be missing." (Jer. 23:4-5). Hear the prayers of Your flock. Through the intercession of Your beloved priest, Saint John Vianney, we beg You to call to the sacramental priesthood generous men who will desire nothing more than to serve You in imitation of Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, our High Priest.

And after You call them, we pray that You sustain the doubtful, console the discouraged, and strengthen the weak as they start the long and demanding preparation for the priesthood.

Mary, Mother of priests, and example of faithful, humble, and joyful acceptance of God's will, help all those who are called to the priesthood to open their ears and hearts to the gentle call of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

'Man has a noble task: that of prayer and love. To pray and love, that is the happiness of man on earth.

Prayer is nothing else than union with God. When the heart is pure and united with God it is consoled and filled with sweetness; it is dazzled by a marvellous light.' St John Vianney

Please pray for: Sarah Teresa Dolphin (August 4th 9.15am Yardley Crematorium) Anthony Joseph Quinn (Robin Hood, Thursday 5th August, 1.30pm) and Sheila (Susan) Kelly who died recently.

Also, Father Thomas More, Pauline O'Hare, Olive Doreen Jones, James Howard Turner, Dennis Roache, Eileen Mulry, Bridget Long, Stanley Gough, Michael Mahoney, Francis Stephen O'Brien, and all with anniversaries at this time.

Safe Guarding Representatives are:Anne Ryder 0121 705 3067sg.staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.ukTeresa Cund 0121 733 2143