

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Solemnity of All Saints Year C 1st & 2nd November 2025

Father Dominic writes: 'Your reward will be great in heaven. The saints forever praise God's glory in heaven. In their lives on earth, they lived out the beatitudes preached by Jesus in his Sermon on the Mount and that is why they are so happy now. We too need to model our lives on them so that where they are we may one day be. We, like they, will see God face to face.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I wish you a very blessed Feast of All Saints. 'With so great a cloud of witnesses on every side of us let us keep running steadily in the race we have started.'

Please pray for Ruari Finley Devine and Hallie Mae Rowlands who are to be baptised into the family of the Church this weekend. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 13th November between 7.30pm- 9.00pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome. If you wish to attend please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

For the month of November, we will offer a Novena of Masses for the Holy Souls. We have provided some forms and envelopes for you to complete with the names of all whom you wish to include in the Novena of Masses. These are available in both porches.

The annual Mass for the deceased Clergy of the Deanery will take place at Our Lady of the Wayside in Shirley, on Tuesday 11th November at 12.00 midday. All are welcome.

There will be a Meeting to plan for the Christmas Fayre, this Sunday November 2nd, after the 11am Mass in the Parish Hall.

On Monday we celebrate the Commemoration of the Holy Souls. In addition to the 9.30am Mass, there will be an evening Mass at 6.30pm.

A group that uses the Parish Hall on alternative Friday mornings extend a warm invitation for Parishioners to join them between 10.00am-12.00 midday, for Tea, Coffee and Companionship. You may also try your hand at art- optional. Friday November 14th and November 28th.

There will be a Holy Hour by Candlelight this Thursday evening, November 6th between 6.15pm-7.15pm. All are welcome.

The United Reform Church - You are invited to the 200th Anniversary celebrations at URC on 1st & 2nd November 2025. Events start at 10am on 1st November and 2nd November. See poster of events in porch.

For news and events across the Archdiocese please visit the diocesan website- **Are there any Parishioners** who would like to help us establish the 'Live Simply' status from CAFOD. If so, please speak with Deacon Kevin and/or Father Dominic

First Holy Communion and Confirmation preparation for children who do not attend a Catholic School. For those youngsters who wish to be prepared for these Sacraments, please would their parents contact the presbytery. The Confirmation preparation will begin on Tuesday 4th November at 5pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome. **Are you interested in** learning more about the Catholic Faith, either as a Catholic or non-Catholic, please speak with Father Dominic.

The Blessing of the Crib will take place on Sunday 30th November at 3pm. All are welcome.

The Christmas Fayre will take place on Saturday 6th November from 1.30pm until 4pm and will continue after the Sunday morning Masses. Help required in setting up the Hall on Friday 5th December at 3pm and tidying up after the 11am Mass on the Sunday.

Offertory Collection last weekend: Gift Aid: £170 loose £1,039:26 Total: £1,209:26 Second Collection this weekend: Johnson Association-The Johnson Association provides financial help and support to the retired, sick and infirm clergy of the Archdiocese. Gift Aid envelopes available in the porch.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Anne Deary	Lali Ratnaraja
Daniel Meadows	Kevin McDaid	Jonathan Williams	Michael	Juliana Benjamin	Nora Shearin
Patricia Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans
Catherine Walton	Harry Conlon	Eileen Nolan	Paulina Samathar	Rita Titchmarsh	Helen Brookes
James Brown	John McCarthy	Mary Johnson	Savio Baretto	Roger Cox	Fr Gerard Kelly
Christopher Edmund Poole		Liam Lewis	Joseph Wong	Briege Williams	Angela Hyland
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Molly Saunders	Mike Sassano	Mary & Amanda	Aoife Cook
Rosemary Knowles	Tony & Eilish Duffy	Breda Fleming	Lilian	Andrea Cadman	Mary Philpott
Father Michael White	Benjamin Wort	Callum Graham	Michael Leyland	Wilson Cotton	Matthew Sheils
Bridget McNamara	Ellen Gilmore	Ian Sanchez	Chris Docker	Eve Noreen O'Connor	Barbara Bolton
Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Donnell	Mrs. Bernie McCann	Bethany Tidyman	Phil Walsh		

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READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sat 1 st Nov 12.30pm T Duffy	Saturday 1 st November 12.30pm	Sunday 2 nd November 9am
Sat 8 th Nov 12.30pm T Cund	Ginny/A Kelly	M Hallissey/J Powers
Sunday 2 nd November 9am T Choi	Saturday 8 th November 12.30pm	Sunday 2 nd November 11am B Ngala
Sunday 2 nd November 11am Emanuelle	S.Bingham/A Kelly	Sunday 9 th November 9am
Sunday 9 th November 9am M Pearsall		M Coburn/J Sica
Sunday 9 th November 11am Cecilia		Sunday 9 th November 11am A Kelly

SVP REQUESTS: Thank you so much to all who have donated items requested for men in need- they have been gratefully received. Still required: tee-shirts, jogging bottoms and hoodies (sizes S,M,L only) Brand-new underwear/socks. Also, trainers sizes 8-11(41-44). Toiletries for male and females and nonperishable food. Please note WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT ITEMS OTHER THAN THOSE ABOVE. With our appreciation-SVP St Augustine's: 07568 508271

'Bereavement Group - Upcoming dates-'Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Meeting Room. Wednesdays 10:45am 2025: Wed 12th November, 10th December. **2026:** Wed 14th January, 11th February, 11th March; 8th April, 13th May, 10th June, 8th July, Supporting you in 'Bereavement'.

Meditation Group - Upcoming dates" Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Parish Meeting Room. Mondays 1pm 10th & 24th November 8th December; A Guide to 'Meditation' 'Meditation' is a way of 'being' rather than a way of 'thinking'. It is about becoming still. It helps us to become more loving people in our relationships. It takes our mind off ourselves. & we see people as God sees them. Do come along and see for yourself.

Friends of the Holy Land : Sale of Olive Wood, Cards and a bucket collection **Weekend 15/16 Nov.**

Sock and Choc Appeal : The SVP in conjunction with Be Kind are asking for donations of new socks and chocolate treats (mostly for men) for Birmingham Christmas Shelter and our local homeless outreach team. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

You are invited to an 'Abba' music evening on Saturday 15th November 7pm-8.30p. Free entry, donations welcome for LIFE organisation.

' God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for naught.' St John Henry Newman to be proclaimed Doctor of the Church on November 1st.

1st November Saturday Feria in Ordinary Time	Apocalypse 7:2-4,9-14 1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Esther Murphy-Intention Father Harry Taylor Thanksgiving Magdelene Jenkinson	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass
2nd November SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	Apocalypse 7:2-4,9-14 1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am Thanksgiving Savio Anthony Noronha 11.00am Norah & Patrick Brennan-RIP Anne Patricia Davies-Taylor-RIP	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses
3rd November Monday THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED	Maccabees 12:43-45 Philippians 3:20-21 Luke 7:11-17 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Val Burgess-RIP Tom Gorman-RIP 6.30pm All People of the Parish	A plenary indulgence, applicable to the souls in purgatory, is granted for those who visit a Church or public oratory today; pray Our Father and the Creed. One indulgence can be gained by any one person.
4th November Tuesday St Charles Borromeo	Romans 12:5-16 Luke 14:15-24 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Joan & Jack Brosnan-RIP	Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am
5th November Wednesday Feria in Ordinary Time	Romans 13:8-10 Luke 14:25-33 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Novena Holy Souls Dennis Kenny-RIP	Confession 11.30am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
6th November Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time	Romans 14:7-12 Luke 15:1-10 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm CWL Deceased Members Russell & Sue Taroni & Family	Holy Hour by Candlelight 6.15pm-7.15pm
7th November Friday Feria in Ordinary Time St Willibrord	Romans 15:14-21 Luke 16:1-8 Public & Live streamed Masses 10.00am Novena- Holy Souls 6.30pm Deceased members of Healy & Paulger Families	Holy Hour & Exposition 5.15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm
8th November Saturday Blessed George Napier	Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12 1 Corinthians 3:9-11,16-17 John 2:13-22 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm John Ownsworth-RIP Elaine Brady-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass
9th November Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Remembrance Day	Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12 1 Corinthians 3:9-11,16-17 John 2:13-22 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am Pat & Eric Holden- All People of the Parish 11.00am Moya & Nicholas Halligan-RIP For the Fallen in all Wars	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses 

All Saints' Day Prayer

Dear holy saints of God,
we join our prayers of praise to yours this day.
With you, we sing of God's goodness, rejoice in God's mercy,
and celebrate God's incredible love.
Teach us to live as you lived –always thinking of others,
always recognizing your weaknesses, always rejoicing in God's gifts,
always following Jesus.

Blessed are you, happy are you, all holy saints of God.
Pray for us that we, too, may someday be among God's holy ones. Amen

BLESSING OF GRAVES NOVEMBER 2025

- *Oscott Cemetery*: 1 November, 3pm
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- *Erdington Abbey*: 2 November, 2pm
- *Woodlands*: 2 November 2pm
- *Brandwood End*: 2 November 2pm
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- *New Hall Cemetery*: 2 November, 2pm
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- *Lodge Hill & Widney Manor*: 9 November 2pm
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- *Quinton*: 9 November 2pm
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- *Rectory Rd Cemetery*: 9 November, 2pm
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- *Witton Cemetery*: 9 November, 2pm
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- *Kings Norton & Widney Manor*: 16 November 2pm
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- *Wythall, Robin Hood and St Nicholas*: 23 November 2pm
- *Yardley* 30 November 2pm

Please pray for: Peter Lunney, Anthony Herron, Antonio Albini (Requiem November 19th 12pm; Reception Tuesday 18th November 5.30pm), Mary Winifred Nicholls (Funeral Service Robin Hood 21st November, 3pm), Father Simon Hall, Peter John Bates, Michael Donnelly, Alan Gorman, Baby Martin Joseph Smith, Doctor Denys Nicol, Denis Linehan, Father Paul Johnson, Robin Easterby, John Pears, Gilbert Anderson, Delia Finnegan, Andrew Lockington, Sister Maura Magner M.M.M, Donald Platt and Anne Weir who died recently.

Also, Archbishop Couve de Murville, Marva Guevara, Margaret Lettice, Joe Callaghan, Kathleen O'Neill, Peter Robert Millgate, Mary Ackland, Dos Santos Rodrigues, Michael Alfred Lawrence Janet Moody, Elaine Bynoth, Gill Bird, Patrick McManus, Enda Powers, Mary Louise Alexandra Riddell, Terence Duddy, John Gerard Brosnan, and all with anniversaries at this time.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Anne Ryder and Susan Wakeham. They can be contacted at sg.staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

This Church live streams Mass and other events. Please see notices in Church for more details.

The Carlo Acutis Youth Group meets at the Friary every Friday evening between 6.30pm-8.30pm for Years 6 and upwards. If you would like to attend, you are very welcome. Please take a friend with you.