# SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Third Sunday of Easter Year C 4th May 2025

**Dear Parishioners**, 'We are witnesses to the resurrection. The Holy Spirit gives us the courage to witness to the power of Christ's resurrection. He is the lamb to whom all praise, honour, glory and power must be given for ever and ever. We will suffer opposition and misunderstanding because of our belief but Christ is always with us once we dare to follow him. (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**Father Dominic writes:** Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I pray that this season of Easter is bringing you renewed strength and joy in the encounter with our risen Lord.

In the words of the psalmist: 'You have changed my mourning into dancing.

O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.'

**The next baptismal** preparation evening will take place on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May from 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.

**This Wednesday** afternoon we welcome Year 13 from St Peter's School for their Leavers' Mass at 2pm. All are welcome.

**Next weekend,** the Fourth Sunday of Easter, is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Good Shepherd Sunday. There will be a second collection for the Clergy Training Fund.

**Our Diocesan Youth** Service (Kenelm Youth Trust) have planned some very interesting events over the next weeks and months, including a Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi, which Bishop Timothy Menezes. If you wish to know more, please visit: <a href="https://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk">www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk</a>

**We look forward to** our First Holy Communion celebrations on the weekend of 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> May and the Sacrament of Confirmation on 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Saint Augustine's Year 3 pupils have a First Holy Communion workshop this Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 9.15-10.30am. Saint Augustine's School are exploring the theme of 'Vocations' throughout this week. Year 3 from Saint Augustine's will be travelling to Alton Castle on Tuesday for a Retreat Day

I will be travelling to Lourdes on 22nd May with the Fellowship Group and three of our Parishioners. If you would like me to bring any petitions with me, I would be happy to do so.

Please note there is a Requiem on Friday at 1.30pm for Wayne O'Neill.

**St Augustine's Community Café-** Next Meeting Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May.

**Meditation Group** in the parish Meeting Room at Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Church Acocks Green at 1.00 pm It is an opportunity to be still and to experience how much we are loved by God You are most welcome to come and join us: 19<sup>th</sup> May; 2<sup>nd</sup> June; 16<sup>th</sup> June; 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

**PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM**- 10<sup>th</sup> May 2025 Principal Celebrant Bishop Richard Walker. For details Fr Philip Griffin telephone- 01384 395 308 email: olas.stourbridge@rcaob.orguk Also see poster in porch.

CTS NEW VERSION MISSALS- Estimated to be published end of April 2025. New Revised Weekday Missal £55.00 New Revised Daily Missal £69.99. Please speak with Stephanie Withers or ladies on Piety Stall to order or to ask for more details.

**Fundraising Quiz Night for the Carlo Acutis** Youth Group Quiz Night Fundraiser – Friday 9th May (instead of both Youth Groups) Olton Friary | 7:30PM start Our Youth Group is hosting a fundraising quiz night—and it's open to everyone! The quiz is mainly geared towards adults, but all are welcome. Teams of up to 6 – gather your crew, bring your brains, and come along for a fun night in support of our amazing youth group.

Offertory Collection last weekend: Gift Aid £181:00 Loose £963:86 Next weekend Second Collection Clergy Training Fund

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Roberto Cordora Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Anne Deary	Lali Ratnaraja
Trevor Windle Danny Meadows	Kevin McDaid	Jonathan Williams	Michael	Juliana Benjamin
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 Duf	fy Delbert Manori	na Breada Fleming	g Pat Hurst	Andrea Cadman
Father Michael White Father Tony Ro	han Eve	Benjamin Wort	Patrick Hickey	Callum Graham
Bridget McNamara Ellen Gilmore	Ian Sanchez	Father Andrew M	cCann Doreen and	Wilson Cotton
Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Do	nnell Michael Levla	and Karen Hall		

For news and events around the Archdiocese please visit the diocesan website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

READERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 12.30pm Bernard	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 12.30pm	Sunday 4th May 11.00am
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> May 12.30pm T Duffy	Jinny/R Wong	E Duffy
Sunday May 4th 9am MC Barbour	Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> May 12.30pm	Sunday 11th May 9.00am
Sunday May 4th 11am E Young	A Kelly/ J Wong	M. Coburn/ G Sica
Sunday 11th May 9am Uchechi	Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 9.00am	Sunday 11th May 11am J Hickey
Sunday 11th May 11am H Cettler	M Hallissey/ J Sica	

We Believe, 25th-28th July 2025, a festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of **St Mary's College, Oscott,** Sutton Coldfield. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Mgr Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more. Pilgrim-attendees can choose to come for the whole weekend (camping, staying locally or coming from home) at an adult Early Bird rate of £70, or for a day for £40. Early Bird Tickets available now at <a href="https://www.webelievefestival.com">www.webelievefestival.com</a>

**EASTER 2025**; **OUR FRIENDS IN NEED**- Thank you for your generosity this year, which has served so many of our friends in need- individual people and families. St Augustine's currently needs chocolate items for Easter, tinned meat, UHT milk and juice, basmati rice, pot noddle, tinned rice pudding, tea bags, coffee and sugar, tinned fruit, custard pots. Can you help? For more information, please contact the SVP- 07568 508271 Collection of items can be arranged is required.

**CWL** and **SVP** Joint project - Emergency Backpacks for released prisoners. We are working with the charity PACT Prison Advice and Care Trust (Charity number 219278) to provide essential emergency backpacks for released prisoners who are often destitute. Please can you help? We need donations of second hand backpacks in good condition, and the following new items: new socks, new pants, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, face-flannels, deodorant, shampoo, shower gel, combs, brushes, notebooks, pens, Nut-free energy bars or chocolate bars, Warm hat and gloves (for Winter packs). There will be a box in each porch to collect your donated items. **Thank you for your help.** 

Men (married or single) who might wish to reflect on the possibility of a vocation as a permanent deacon, or who simply wish to find out a little more, are warmly invited to attend Evening Prayer and Benediction followed by tea and light refreshments at Sacred Heart and Holy Souls church in Acocks Green on Sunday 11th May at 4.30pm. Wives and family members are also very welcome. For further details contact dcn.tim.anthony@rcaob.org.uk or just turn up to reflect and listen.

3rd May Saturday FEAST Ss Philip and James	Acts 5:27-32,40-41 Apocalypse 5:11-14 John 21:1-19 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Bill Nerney-RIP	Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass
4th May THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	Robert Douglas Walton-Birthday  Acts 5:27-32,40-41 Apocalypse 5:11-14  John 21:1-19  Public & Live streamed Masses  9.00am Celine McMahon-RIP  11.00am All People of the Parish	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses
5th May Monday Easter Feria	Deacon James-Forde-Johnson  Acts 6:8-15 John 6:22-29 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Tilly Keavenay & Patsy Keavenay-RIP	
6th May Tuesday  Easter Feria	Brenda Streatfield  Acts 7:51-8:1 John 6:30-35  Public and Live streamed Mass  10.00am Olivan & Martina O'Regan & Family  McTiernan Family-Intentions	Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30an
7th May Wednesday Easter Feria Conclave Begins	Acts 8:1-8 John 6:35-40 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Bernie Walder-RIP  Father Philip-Intention	Confession 11.30am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.u
8th May Thursday Easter Feria	Acts 8:26-40 John 6:44-51 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Martin McTiernan-RIP	
9th May Friday Easter Feria	Philomena Murray-RIP  Acts 91-20 John 6:52-29  Public & Live streamed Masses  10.00am John Fogarty-RIP  1.30pm Requiem Wagne O'Neill	Holy Hour & Exposition 5.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm
10th May Saturday  Easter Feria  St John of Avila	6.30pm Fay O'Connor-RIP  Acts 13:14, 43-52 Apocalypse 7:9,14-17  John 10:27-30  Public & Live streamed Mass  12.30pm Eileen Kell-RIP  Special Intention- Dymphna	Tea & Coffee available after Mass
11th May	Acts 13:14, 43-52 Apocalypse 7:9,14-17 John 10:27-30	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses
Fourth Sunday of Easter Vorld day of Prayer for Vocations	Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am All People of the Parish	
Good Shepherd Sunday	11.00am Libby Service-Intention  Ted & Mary Deery-RIP	

### PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Hymn for the Jubilee Year 2025

#### Refrain:

Like a flame our hope is burning, may our song arise to you, Source of life that has no ending, on life's path we trust in you.

#### PRAYER FOR THE SUCCESSOR OF POPE FRANCIS

O God, who chose your servant,

in succession to Apostle Peter

as shepherd of the whole flock,

look favourably on the supplications of your people

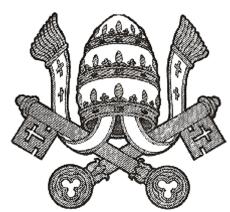
and grant that, as Vicar of Christ on earth,

he may confirm his brethren

and that the whole Church may be in communion with him

in the bond of unity, love and peace,

so that in you, the shepherd of souls, all may know the truth and attain life eternal.



Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please pray for: Pope Francis, Wayne O'Neill(Requiem Friday 9th May 1.30pm) Father Fred Sheldon, Samuel Robinson, Michael Costello, Maha Eraifej, Deacon Pat Flanagan and Desmond Duffy, Thomas D Ward, Angela Lloyd, Trish Embley, Philomena Barreto, Angela Duffy, Josephine Egonu, Eileen Horsburgh, Christopher Morgan-Cettler, Pat Clarke, Joseph Leyden, Terry Round, Anne-Marie Grimley who died recently.

Also, Joseph Charles Callaghan, Helenah Oldfield, Veronice Jordan, Mary Anderson, Michael Rochfort, Ken White, Selena Helena Beggan, Wincenty (Victor) Zarebski, Mary Griffin, Anthony Francis, Agnes Theresa Kilcoyne, Marie Rafferty, Mary Christina Hayes, Maria Malik, Karen Maria Moss, Gloria Cox, Percy Plant, Kenneth Walter Walton, Daniel Lynch, Frederick Leslie Burt, Mary Walton, Leslie Docker, Jocelyn Clare Hawker, Sheila Ann Callaghan, and all with anniversaries at this time.

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