

**SAINT AUGUSTINE
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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD 6th August 2023

Dear Parishioners 'Jesus in his glory. Jesus is seen by Peter, James and John in his glory as Christ, Messiah, King of the universe. It was wonderful for them to be there and witness the power of their leader even though they were overcome by fear at what they saw. God reveals Christ to us too and we look forward in joy and hope to sharing fully in his glory. We have no need to fear. Christ is God's Son and our brother.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I wish you a very happy Feast on this the Transfiguration of our Lord, rejoicing in the hope that 'when Christ appears, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.' (1 Jn 3:2)

Please pray for Harlow Morris who is to be baptised into the family of the Church this Sunday. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 21st September from 7.30-9.00pm in the Presbytery. Please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy if you would like to attend.

We look forward to the start of a new Parents and Toddlers' group on Tuesday 5th September. The meetings will take place every Tuesday, between 9.30-11.30am in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

At our recent Parish Meeting we discussed the formation of a Parish Pastoral Council. We decided to hold another Meeting on Thursday 31st August at 7pm in the Parish Hall with the purpose of establishing a pastoral council. If any of you would like to know more about the formation of a Pastoral Council, we have two examples of such, and you are welcome to have copies.

We also discussed having a Family Fun Day on Sunday 1st October. Would any parishioner be willing to help in organising such a day? If so, please speak to one of the Clergy.

The World Youth Day events come to a climax this weekend, 6th and 7th August. The Catholic Channel, Shalom World TV, is televising the events. Join the link:

<http://shalomworld.org/wyd2023>

Please remember in your prayers the Reverend Nick Parker, who has been appointed as the new Rector of St Alphege's. He is being Licensed on Wednesday 6th September at 7.30pm.

The Universe and the Catholic Herald are available in both porches. Please consider purchasing one of these Catholic papers. The Herald is a monthly publication and costs £5. The Universe is a weekly paper and costs £3.50. However, we are able to offer it to you at a discounted price of £2.50.

<p>5th August Saturday Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major</p>	<p>Daniel 7:9-10,13-14 2 Peter 1:16-19 Matthew 17:1-9 Public & Live Streamed Mass 12.30pm Maria Kelly-RIP John McLoughlin-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confession 11am-12pm Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p>6th August FEAST THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD</p>	<p>Daniel 7:9-10,13-14 2 Peter 1:16-19 Matthew 17:1-9 Public & Live Streamed Mass 9.00am All People of the Parish 11.00am Libby Service-Intention Michael Joyce-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>
<p>7th August Monday Feria in Ordinary Time St Sixtus II St Cajetan (Hunter of Souls)</p>	<p>Numbers 11:4-15 Matthew 14:13-21 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Deceased members of Moran Family & Bert Lynch T & K Special Intention</p>	
<p>8th August Tuesday St Dominic</p>	<p>Numbers 12:1-13 Matthew 14:22-36 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Thomas-Intention Connie Brown & Family</p>	
<p>9th August Wednesday FEAST St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross Patron of Europe</p>	<p>Hosea 2:16-17,21-22 Matthew 25:1-13 Public and Live streamed Mass 11.30am Sean Ward-RIP Father Philip Harrop-Intention</p>	<p>Confessions 10.45-11.15am 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</p>
<p>10th August Thursday FEAST St Lawrence</p>	<p>2 Corinthians 9:6-10 John 12:24-26 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Gervaise McMahan-RIP Father John Waters-Intention</p>	
<p>11th August Friday St Clare</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 4:32-40 Matthew 16:24-28 Public & Live Streamed Mass 10.00am Teresa Manley-RIP 6.30pm Dave Wright-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm</p>
<p>12th August Saturday Feria in Ordinary Time St Jane Frances de Chantal</p>	<p>1 Kings 19:9,11-13 Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:22-33 Public & Live Streamed Mass 12.30pm Thomas, Catherine, Frances Ann Kelly-RIP Lali Ratnaraja & Family-Intentions</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm</p>
<p>13th August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>1 Kings 19:9,11-13 Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:22-33 Public & Live Streamed Mass 9.00am All People of the Parish Stephen & Sean Smith-RIP 11.00am James McGrath-RIP Teresa Manley-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>

Walsingham Sunday 3rd September 2023 Led by Monsignor Daniel McHugh

Local Pick Up and Set Down Points: £ 25.00 Per Seat - Required by Friday 4th August 2023 For information Re: The Dowry of Mary Pilgrimage Please Contact: Charles P. Keily - Telephone: 07710 - 189036

English Martyrs' RC Church Centenary 1923-2023 English Martyrs' RC Church, Sparkhill will be celebrating its centenary Mass on Friday 8 September 2023. Former parish priest Archbishop Kevin Macdonald will be the lead celebrant and former parish priest Fr Pat Gilsenan will also be joining us. After mass everyone is invited back for drinks and light refreshments in the Parish Hall. If anyone has any photos from the parish over the last 100 years that they would be willing to share, we would love to see them. Photos can be brought into English Martyrs school where they will be scanned and returned promptly. We would love as many people as possible who have a connection to our parish to join us at 6.00pm on Friday 8 September 2023 for our celebration centenary mass. If you can attend the Mass, please let us know; either completing the short form on this link: EM Centenary or phone 0121 753 4457 and leave a message. This will help with our planning for the evening. Our parish website is also now available on the following link, www.englishmartyrsbirmingham.com and it will be regularly updated with the latest information.

The annual pilgrimage to the Shrine of the English Martyrs at Harvington Hall takes place on Sunday 3rd September. If there is sufficient interest, we will book a coach. Please sign the list in the main porch if you are interested in attending.

Marriage Care – Volunteers Needed! Catholic Marriage Care are looking for volunteers to join the Birmingham Team. We are looking for Marriage Preparation Facilitators to present and facilitate courses for engaged couples and Chaperones to support with Counselling sessions on Thursdays daytime (between 11AM and 2PM) in St Joseph House which is part of Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Church-Acocks Green. If you are interested, please contact Christina Francis at birmingham.admin@marriagecare.org. Find out more about how you could help support couples and families at: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk.

London UK March for Life Saturday 2nd Sept 2023. Day return coach trip. Pick-up 7.30am at Birmingham Oratory, St Dunstan's Kings Heath 7.45am, St Augustine's Solihull 8.00am, leaving London 5pm. £25 pp (reduced rates for children) payable on booking for confirmed seat, with mobile number/email address for acknowledgement.

Contact Alice for Oratory pick-up on 07845 706362 and Brian for St Augustine's/St Dunstan's pick-up on 07726 311261.

First 5 Saturday devotion : St George and St Therese A devotion recommended by Our Lady of Fatima Confession 9:15 Rosary 9:30 Mass 10am See leaflet in porch for more details.

Offertory Collection: Gift Aid:£261:50 Loose:£803:21 Total:£1,064:71

READERS

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 5 th August 12.30pm ?? Saturday 12 th August 12.30pm T Duffy Saturday 19 th August 12.30pm T Cund	Sunday 6 th August 9am J.Powers	Sunday 6 th August 11am H Brookes
Saturday 26 th August 12.30pm ?? Saturday 2 nd Sept 12.30pm T Duffy	Sunday 13 th August 9am M Coburn	Sunday 13 th August 11am A Kelly
Sunday 6 th Aug 9am Finbar,Cormac Sunday 6 th Aug 11am C Hodrien	Sunday 20 th August 9am M Hallissey	Sunday 20 th August 11am J Hickey
Sunday 13 th Aug 9am Joe & B Burgess Sunday 13 th Aug 11am M Watts	Sunday 27 th August 9am D Nettikkadan	Sunday 27 th August 11am E Duffy

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

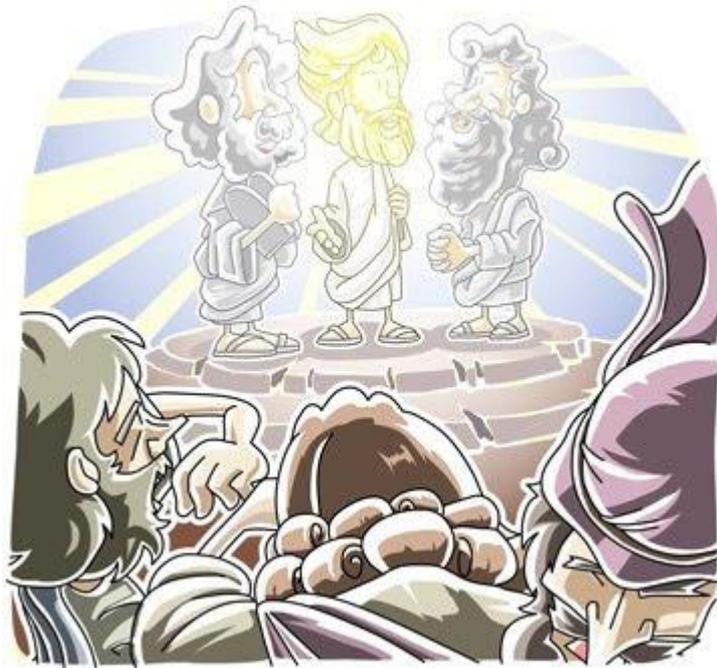
Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Esther Brasil	Anne Deary
Trevor Windle	Danny Meadows	John Doyle	Kevin McDaid	Sue Hodrien	Don Deneny
Patricia Mann	Paul Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	Kathryn Farmer
Sandra Evans	Gillian Jones	Catherine Walton	Harry Conlon	Eileen Nolan	
James Brown	John McCarthy	Kath Reidy	Mary Johnson	Savio Baretto	Eileen Keaton
Christopher Edmund Poole		Eve	Roger Cox	Mary Ryan	Jennifer O'Donnell
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Thelma Cole	Molly Saunders	Roger Cox	Mike Sassano
Rosemary Knowles	Eilish, Tony & Angela Duffy		Angela Hyland	Eileen Keaton	

THE TRANSFIGURATION 6th August

At the Transfiguration, Father, You showed Jesus in glory, a glimpse of what His disciples would see in His risen life.

Bless us in our humanity,
with an awareness of Your presence,
leading us to share in Your divine life
even in our daily struggle.

Help us to deepen
our knowledge of the Law and the Prophets,
channels of Your grace throughout history,
and signposts for our journey.
Amen.



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Please pray for: John White, Canon John Gunn, Karen Maria Moss, Mary Kenny, Pauline Hatton, Lisa Crump, Karl Joseph Williams, Teresa Manley, Martha Mary Ward (Robin Hood, August 16th, 12 noon) and Angela Billingham who died recently.

Also, Bridget Long, Stanley Gough, Michael Mahoney, Francis Stephen O'Brien, Mary Theresa Dunleavy, William (Bill) Whitehouse, Kris Krzysztof, Victor John Curtis, John Douglas Lawrence, James Gerald Ryan, Rita Fadden, Susan Dugdale and all with anniversaries at this time.

Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Anne Ryder 0121 705 3067 and Teresa Cund 0121 733 2143 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 concern