

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

**First Sunday in Lent Year C 6th March 2022**

**Dear Parishioners, 'The lord hears our voice.**

In the midst of all our troubles God hears us and will lead us into a promised land of peace if only we are prepared to follow Him. There is no temptation which cannot be overcome if we are open to the spirit who tells us Jesus is Lord whom God raised from the dead. God, through the risen Jesus is always with us just as in the Old Testament He rescued the Jews out of their bondage in Egypt.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**Father Dominic writes:** 'Dear Parishioners, Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I, thank you for your attendance at the Masses on Ash Wednesday. It was a good start to the Season of Lent and we hope that all our Lenten endeavours will lead us through to the joy of Easter, to the joy of sharing in Jesus' victory over sin and death.

**On Wednesday** we will have Stations of the Cross at 11am approx., after the 10am Requiem Mass for Phelim McCabe. You are now welcome to attend any Requiem Mass offered at St Augustine's. Please note that there will **not** be the normal 11.30am Mass on Wednesday.

**The Church** will now be fully open from 8am until dusk. Please do pay a visit if you are passing by.

**I realise** that we are all very concerned at what is happening in Ukraine and we would like to encourage you to continue with your family prayers, imploring God to inspire the leaders of nations to construct the cathedral of peace with unshakeable confidence. 'The Cathedral of Peace is made of many small stones and we are those living stones.' (Words spoken by St John Paul II when he celebrated Mass at Baginton Airport near Coventry in 1982. In the distance could be seen the spire of Coventry Cathedral.

**We will let you** know when we will organise a second collection for the Ukrainian refugees, hopefully asap.

**Thank you to** Helen Brookes, Marguerite Pearsall and Larry Perkins for bringing together the responses from the 'Walking Together' questions. They have now been forwarded to the Diocese and we will also place them on the Parish website so that you can see how, as a Parish we have responded to the questions.

**Please note Mass** on Tuesday will take place at the earlier time of **9.30am** as we have a Deanery Meeting at Oscott College, beginning at 11.00am

**Please do try** to book Masses well in advance especially if you are requesting a specific date.

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5th March Saturday	Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Romans 10:8-13 Luke 4:1-13 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Gerry Bree-RIP Michael Colman-RIP	Confession 11.45am-12.15pm
6th March FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT	Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Romans 10:8-13 Luke 4:1-13 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am All People of the Parish  11.00am Bernadette Hoarsley-RIP	Confessions 10.30am-10.45am Tea/Coffee available after each Mass
7th March Monday Lent Feria Ss Perpetua & Felicity	Leviticus 19:1-2 Matthew 25:31-46 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Baby Elsie-RIP Patricia Mary McAleen-RIP	
8th March Tuesday Lent Feria St John of God	Isaiah 55:10-11 Matthew 6:7-15 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Mr Dyer-RIP Patrick Lennon-RIP	
9th March Wednesday Lent Feria St Frances of Rome	Jonah 23:1-10 Luke 11:29-32 Public & Live streamed Mass 10am Requiem Phelim (Philip) Gerard McCabe AGM - CWL 11am(approx.) Stations of the Cross	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: <a href="mailto:ehb73@yahoo.co.uk">ehb73@yahoo.co.uk</a>
10th March Thursday Lent Feria	Esther 4:17 Matthew 7:7-12 10.00am Public and Live streamed Mass Narinder Kaur-Chaggar-Intention Mary Hayes-Intention  12.15pm Requiem Margaret Hedges	
11th March Friday Lent Feria Lent Fast Day	Ezekiel 18:21-28 Matthew 5:20-26 Public and Live streamed Mass 6.30pm Agatha Sant & Family-Intentions  Joan Lees-RIP	Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm
12th March Saturday Dementia Prayer Week	Genesis 15:5-12,17-18 Philippians 3:17-4:1 Luke 9:28-36 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Brenda McMullen-RIP Joan Nolan-RIP	Confession 11.45am-12.15pm
13th March Second Sunday in Lent	Genesis 15:5-12,17-18 Philippians 3:17-4:1 Luke 9:28-36 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am Jessy D'Souza- RIP  11am Franco Calia-RIP & Kathleen Smith-RIP  Mary Anderson-Intention	Tea/Coffee available after each Mass

**CAFOD are inviting** us to 'WALK AGAINST HUNGER' during Lent. Each Sunday during Lent we will organise a 5km walk starting at 2pm from St Augustine's. The Walk could include stopping for refreshments along the way. Those participating in the Walk are encouraged to obtain sponsorship for CAFOD's Lenten Campaign.

**This weekend** a member of CAFOD will speak at the Masses in preparation for CAFOD's Family Fast Day.

**Please continue** to wear face coverings and to sanitize your hands when entering and leaving Church. Holy Water will be available for you to bless yourselves but please try to sanitize your hands before blessing yourself with Holy Water. **We will return to normal** seating arrangements but will keep the section of benches nearest to the main porch for those who wish to maintain social distance. There is much to thank God for as we move forward and restrictions are eased. Do please continue to be aware of one another's needs and to continue to help create a safe environment for one another.

**Father Fred Sheldon** celebrates the Golden Jubilee of his Priesthood on March 18<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to send him a card his address is: St Joseph's Residential Care Home, Gerard's Way, Coleshill, B46 3EA

**We would** welcome some more volunteers to help with cleaning the Church after the Wednesday Mass. If you are able to help, please let the cleaners know.

**Ecumenical Prayer walks;** praying for Solihull and the world. Meet in the car park outside the Methodist Church, B91 1LG to walk around the town stopping at various points to pray; to finish after about an hour. Bring a prayer or short reading for times of prayer. After some walks, there is the opportunity for a drink at Starbucks. Dates: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 1.00pm; Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 1.00pm; Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March 1.00pm; Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2pm; Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 7pm

**Gift Aid-New** Gift Aid boxes are available in the front porch; please take your box.

**Good Friday Walk of Witness-** 15<sup>th</sup> April 11am Meet at St Augustine's Church

**Archdiocese of Birmingham** St Francis' Catholic Primary School Nursery Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, B19 1PH Headteacher Group 3 ISR L 18-24 Required from September 2022 nformal visits to the school are welcome and will be conducted on Thursday 3rd March, by the Chair of Governors. To visit, please contact the Chair, Mr Nigel Smith, [n.smith@stfranrc.bham.sch.uk](mailto:n.smith@stfranrc.bham.sch.uk) The full application pack, including the required Catholic Education application form and supplementary forms, are available from the vacancy page at [www.stfranrc.bham.sch.uk](http://www.stfranrc.bham.sch.uk) Closing Date: Friday 11th March 2022 Applications to: [recruitment@stfranrc.bham.sch.uk](mailto:recruitment@stfranrc.bham.sch.uk) Interviews: to be held on Wednesday 23rd March /Thursday 24th March 2022

## READERS

## Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	N.Pereira	Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 9am	Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 11am
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	T.Cund	T.Nettikkadan	E.Duffy
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	M.Green	Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 9am	Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 11am
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 9am		M.Coburn	A.Kelly
Finbarr,Cormac,Joe		Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 9am	Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 11am
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 11am		H.Cettler	J.Hicky
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 9am	H.Cettler	Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 9am	Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 11am
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 11am	M.Keating	D.Nettikkadan	A.Keating
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 9am	School Yr 4	Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 9am	Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 11am
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 11am		M.Hallissey	H.Brookes
J.Benjamin			

**Offertory Collection:** 27th February Gift Aid: £175 Loose:£459.20 Total £634:20 Second collection this weekend- Cathedral Maintenance 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection next weekend: CAFOD Family Fast Day(Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March)

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

Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish,	Tony Duffy	Fr Fred Sheldon	Mary Ryan	William Moran
Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Esther Brasil	Anne Deary
Trevor Windle	Danny Meadows	John Doyle	Dan Doyle	Kevin McDaid	Sue Hodrien
Patricia Mann	Paul Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	John White
Diane Burgess	Kathleen Clark	Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans	Roisin Brown	Gillian Jones
James Brown	John McCarthy	Kath Reidy	Noreen O'Connor	Mary Johnson	Joanne Moss
Christopher Edmund Poole		for protection and peace in the Mbag Family	Eve		Steve Bates
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Amanda Stellfox	Thelma Cole	Molly Saunders	Catherine Walton
Roger Cox	Eileen Nolan	Keith Ritchie			

## CAFOD LENT PRAYER

Generous God,  
We thank you and we praise you,  
For we are surrounded by your abundant gifts.

The table you have laid is piled high  
And yet too many people  
Are turned away from the feast.

Work through us so that, as the tiny acorn  
Becomes a mighty oak,  
Our small acts of love may grow,

Bringing hope of a world transformed,  
Where all may eat their fill. Amen.

**Lead me from Death to Life, from Falsehood to Truth. Lead me from Despair to Hope, from Fear to Trust,**

**Lead me from Hate to Love, from War to Peace. Let Peace fill our Heart, our World, our Universe.**

**Peace Peace Peace**

**Strong and merciful God, You crush wars and overthrow the proud; banish violence from the world and wipe away the tears of those who suffer. May all men and women, made in Your image and likeness, find in Your love and mercy, a pattern for their lives.**

**We ask this 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 St Mother Theresa**

**"Peace is not the product of terror or fear. Peace is not the silence of cemeteries. Peace is not the silent result of violent repression. Peace is the generous, tranquil contribution of all to the good of all. Peace is dynamism. Peace is generosity. It is right and it is duty."**

Oscar Romero

Please pray for: Phelim Gerard McCabe (Philip) (Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 10am), Margaret Hedges (Requiem Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 12.15pm; Reception Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 4.30pm) Monsignor John Heslin, Father Gabriel Maguire CSsR and Father David Lloyd who died recently.

Also, Dermot McKenna, Mary Adkins, John McIntyre, Patrick Joseph Gallagher, William Dwyer, Doris Hart, Lee Farrell, Bernard Wasley, Hilda Corbett, Jenny Parsons, James Bernard Hope, Anna Bernadette O'Driscoll, Margaret Marion Berry, Thomas Masterson, Pamela Marie Quinlan Francis, Alice Butler, Baby Edward Hemming, Raymond Gamble, Anthony Dean, Helen Doyle, Louis O'Rourke, Petronilla Netsai Ndlovu, Megan Jean Zarebski, and all with anniversaries at this time.

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