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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT YEAR B 7th March 2021

Dear Parishioners,

'We preach a crucified Christ. Christ gave His life in love to His Father. In a way which we do not understand, this death shows forth the wisdom of God. Christ rose again from the dead. This great miracle on which our faith is built shows that we believe that the message of eternal life is contained in Christ's death and resurrection.'**(Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)**

Father Dominic writes: 'Dear Parishioners, Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I continue to hold you in our thoughts and prayers and are so grateful for yours also. If there is anything we are able to help you with in terms of prayers and devotions please let us know. We give thanks to our good Lord that the children of the Parish will be returning to school from this Monday, for what we hope will be blessed and happy days ahead. It was a real joy to join Year 6 from St Augustine's in a Prayer Service for their enrolment for Confirmation. Congratulations to all concerned.

Please remember Pope Francis' pastoral visit to Iraq from 5th to 8th March. May he bring God's abundant blessings on a people and nation that has suffered so much.

A Novena of Prayers to St Joseph, from 10th to 18th March has been organised by Mr Paul Northam. Please visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/join-the-novena-of-st-joseph.

Friday 19th March is the Solemnity of St Joseph, and Pope Francis has dedicated this year to the guardianship of St Joseph.

Solihull Churches Action on Homelessness (S.C.A.H.) have produced a newsletter with news of all they have undertaken in this past year. It is inspiring to read and copies are available in both porches. Our sincere thanks to Mrs Mary Clark and Mr Rob Verrion who are our Parish Representatives on S.C.A.H.

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks for your generous sponsorship of Henryk Cettler's and my participation in CAFOD's 'Big Walk For Water.' You are so kind and generous and it will make such a difference to those whom CAFOD support. Thank you to Michael Keating for being our representative for CAFOD.

Would anyone like to represent St Augustine's Parish on the Solihull Town Centre Chaplaincy team? It is a very easy and enjoyable undertaking. If you would like more information, please speak with myself.

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<p>6th March Saturday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Micah 7:14-15,18-20 Luke 15:1-3,11-32 10.00am Public & Live streamed Mass Malachy Hanly & Family-Intentions</p> <p>Savio Baretto-Intention</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 9.30am-10.00am</p>
<p>7th March THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT</p>	<p>Exodus 20:1-17 1 Corinthians 1:22-25 John 2:13-25 9.00am Public & Live streamed Mass All People of the Parish</p> <p>Peter Hannigan-RIP 11.30am Public & Live streamed Mass Ron Carson-RIP</p> <p>James Brown-Intention</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 11.00am-11.30am</p>
<p>8th March Monday Lent Feria St John of God</p>	<p>2 Kings 5:1-15 Luke 4:24-30 10.00am Live streamed Mass Mary Hayes- RIP</p>	
<p>9th March Tuesday Lent Feria St Frances of Rome</p>	<p>Daniel 3:25,34-43 Matthew 18:21-35 10.00am Live Streamed Mass Mary Bellamy-RIP</p> <p>Daniel Brosnan-RIP</p>	
<p>10th March Wednesday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 4:1,5-9 Matthew 5:17-19 11.30am Public & Live streamed Mass Sarah Dennison-RIP</p> <p>Brendan Lenaghan-RIP</p>	<p>Private Prayer / Confession 10.45am-11.15am 11.00am Stations of the Cross</p> <p>'Lectio Divina' at 7.30pm</p>
<p>11th March Thursday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Jeremiah 7:23-28 Luke 11:14-23 10.00am Live streamed Mass Frank Jennings-RIP</p> <p>Lali Ratnaraja-Intention</p>	
<p>12th March Friday Lent Feria Dementia Prayer Week</p>	<p>Hosea 14:2-10 Mark 12:28-34 10.00am Live streamed Mass Bertie O'Rahilly-RIP</p> <p>Rita Tichmarsh-Birthday</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm With Stations of the Cross</p>
<p>13th March Saturday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Hosea 5:15-6:6 Luke 18:9-14 10.00am Public & Live streamed Mass Joan & Dan Doyle-Intentions</p> <p>Lawrence Ariyanayam-RIP</p>	<p>Private Prayer 9.30am-10am Confession after 10am Mass</p>
<p>14th March Fourth Sunday in Lent</p>	<p>2 Chronicle 36:14-16,19-23 Ephesians 2:4-10 John 3:14-21 9.00am Public & Live streamed Mass All People of the Parish Julian Kuzminski-Intention</p> <p>11.30am Public & Live streamed Mass C.J.-Intention</p> <p>Franco Calia-RIP</p>	

Next weekend we will have a Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Bernard. Also next weekend Mrs Gill Jones will explain to us about Participating in a 'Retreat in daily Life.'

You are welcome to join the weekly 'Lectio Divina' on a Wednesday evening at 7.30pm. For the Wednesdays of Lent these reflections will be on the seven last words of Jesus from the cross. If you wish to participate, please email Helen Brookes ehb73@yahoo.co.uk

The Jesuits are also producing daily Lenten reflections, which you will find on the link 'Pathways to God.'

MARRIAGE MATTERS www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk Third Sunday of Lent (Exodus 20:1-17 1Corinthians 1:22-25 John 2:13-25) God's love is our strength Let us remind each other constantly that our marriage is as unique and as special to God today as it was when we first married. We are blessed with a love that transforms ordinary everyday events into something quite different and special. Our faults and weaknesses become our strengths if we strive to love one another as God loves us.

If you know of any young Parishioners not attending a Catholic School who wish to be prepared for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation, please let the Clergy or Miss Libby Service know. Miss Service's email is: 1st4activities@gmail.com or tel: 07568 508 271

To keep up-to-date with all the latest news, information and online events from across the Archdiocese and beyond please sign up to the newsletter, issued every few weeks via email. Please visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/e-news to sign up.

2nd Collection this week: Cathedral Maintenance

PRINCETHORPE COLLEGE- have some vacancies in teaching positions. Please see notice board.

ST AUGUSTINE'S SVP 'FRIENDS IN NEED' Do you know someone who needs the support of a phone call? Or a person or family going through hardship? Or perhaps you feel you could donate non- perishable food, drinks or toiletry items for people in need during these times? If so, please don't hesitate to phone or text the SVP on: 07568 508271.

The Prince's Trust based at Chelmsley Wood Police station are looking for young adults aged between **16-25 years old** to join their programme, starting on **Monday 15th March 2021.** **The course will be a 5 day a week, 12-week programme** with certain measures put into place due to Covid-19. The course will be run with up to 14 learners and the learners will be in the team room Monday to Friday 09:30-15:30 with breaks throughout the day.

The learners will work towards 2 qualifications over the 12 weeks, the Prince's Trust Certificate in Employability, Teamwork and Community and BTEC Level 1 Work Skills with the majority of the programme remaining the same. The main change will be no residential, but plans have been made to cover the teamwork unit in other ways whilst in the venue. Please contact either team leader if you are interested in joining the programme

Sam Colbourne: email scolbourne@warwickshire.ac.uk Tel: 07740 405 016

Clare Johnson: email clare.johnson@west-midlands.pnn.police.uk Tel: 07388 373 901

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Keith Frettsome	Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish,	Tony Duffy	Martha Sheridan	Fr Fred Sheldon
Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Maureen Cody	Michael McGovern
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	Pauline Yeates	Malachy Hanly	Sandra Evans
Margaret Lennon	James Brown	John McCarthy	Kath Reidy	Deacon Kevin O'Connor	
Christopher Edmund Poole					

Dementia Family Prayer

Psalms 46:10

Father please help those who are going through this deterioration of health. Lord they may not understand why they have this condition, but I pray that in the unknown mysteries of the world they can remain still and know that You are God.

Dementia does not take away their identity in You, for You are the Good a Shepherd, we are Your sheep and Your child. Thank You for Your tender mercies towards those with this condition, we pray, Amen.

Isaiah 26:3

Dear Lord, Your Word says that You will keep the minds of those who fixate on You in perfect peace.

At times it is hard to recollect certain things, and is a struggle to push through this condition, but we thank You for being our everlasting peace.

We pray that You are always at the center of our mind, because when we have You we have everything.

Your divine peace is what surpasses all understanding, Amen.

1 Peter 5:7

Eternal God, we cast all our cares upon You because You care for us. Lord we adore You because You want our burdens to be light. You will not let us face dementia alone, because You are always with us.

Father we pray that in this journey we remember that although people may not understand You do. You see our heart and our mind clearer than anyone else or any doctor.

You are our best friend and the greatest physician, we love You Lord, Amen.

Please pray for: Kathleen Boland, Margaret Timms, Steve Evans, Kevin Smith, Clare Baxter, Anne (Eithne) O'Sullivan, Joan Kennedy, Denis Lynch, Margareta McKeivitt, Paddy Gallagher, Clare Brewer and Mildred Geary who died recently.

Also William O'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, Walter Ashley, Ronald Morgan, Joan Olive Western and all with anniversaries at this time.

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