

# *SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH*

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

Third Sunday of Advent   11th December 2022

**Dear Parishioners, 'Rejoice, the Lord is coming soon!** God sends his own Son to save us. Joy and gladness are ours and the time for sorrow and lamenting is over. Christ is standing at the gates and we know he is the one for whom we have been waiting. Do not lose heart. Take courage! Your God is coming.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**Father Dominic writes:** 'Dear Parishioners, Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I are deeply grateful for all the ways you have shown your faith through love, striving to bring the joy of the Gospel into people's lives. Our thanks to the Teachers and Infants of St Augustine's School for their beautiful Nativity Play; to our Parishioners for organising the Memory Box Café, and our musicians for assisting; to the members of the St Vincent de Paul Society for providing such a delicious Christmas Meal for our neighbours and friends.

**Our thanks also** for the very successful Christmas Fayre, for the joy your generosity generated and for the handsome amount raised, approx. £2,600. This will be shared between CAFOD and Aid To The Church in Need. At the weekend Masses on this third Sunday of Advent you are invited to bring the baby Jesus from your Nativity sets to have them blessed. This Sunday is known as Bambinelli Sunday.

**Please pray for** Betsy Sophia Brady who is to be baptized into the family of the Church this Sunday. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm. If you would like to attend, please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.


**This weekend** we welcome Sister Sebastian who will be selling raffle tickets to support their community's work among the homeless.

**This coming** week you are invited to the Nativity Play with St Augustine's children, teachers and parents on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm in Church. We have requested free car parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park, in Herbert Road, from 6pm.

**A rota for our Readers** and Special Ministers of Holy Communion is available in the Sacristy. Would you please sign the rota indicating your availability for the Christmas Masses.

**There will be a** shared service of Penance with Our Lady of the Wayside at St Augustine's on **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm.**

A showing of 'The Shepherd' on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December, 7pm** in the Parish Hall. This is the story of Jesus' birth as understood by one of the shepherds.

10th December Saturday Our Lady of Loreto St Edmund Gennings	<b>Isaiah 35:1-6,10    James 5:7-10</b> <b>Matthew 11:2-11</b> Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm John McCaffrey-RIP Trish McCabe-Intention	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confession 11.45am-12.15pm
11th December  <b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>  	<b>Isaiah 35:1-6,10    James 5:7-10</b> <b>Matthew 11:2-11</b> Public and Live streamed Mass 9.00am Julie Hanley-RIP All People of the Parish 11.00am Susan & Ben McKiernan-RIP Pat Jones-RIP	Confession 10.30am-10.45am  Tea/Coffee available after each Mass
12th December Monday  Advent Feria  Our Lady of Guadalupe	<b>Numbers 24:2-7,15-17    Matthew 21:23-27</b> Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Holy Souls-Novena of Masses  Holy Souls	
13th December Tuesday  St Lucy	<b>Zephaniah 3:1-2,9-13    Matthew 21:28-32</b> Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Sheila, Paddy & Patrick Downes-RIP  Prayer Box -Intentions	Carols by Candlelight 7.30pm Doors open 7.00pm
14th December Wednesday St John of the Cross	<b>Isaiah 45:6-8,18,21-25    Luke 7:19-23</b> Public & Live streamed Masses 11.30am John James-RIP  Andrew Howard-RIP	<b>Confessions 10.45-11.15am</b> 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>
15th December Thursday Advent Feria	<b>Isaiah 54:1-10    Luke 7:24-30</b> Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Maureen Seager-RIP  Kay	
16th December Friday Advent Feria	<b>Isaiah 56:1-3,6-8    John 5:33-36</b> Public and Live streamed Masses 10.00am Mark-RIP  6.30pm All Holy Souls	Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm
17th December Saturday O Sapientia	<b>Isaiah 7:10-14    Romans 1:1-7</b> <b>Matthew 1:18-24</b> Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Elizabeth & John Morgan-RIP Michael Whyte-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12pm Confession 11.45am-12.15pm
18th December  Fourth Sunday of Advent  O Adonai  Day of Prayer for Expectant Mothers	<b>Isaiah 7:10-14    Romans 1:1-7</b> <b>Matthew 1:18-24</b> Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am Margaret Hedges-RIP  Angela Robinson- RIP 11.00am Deceased Members of the Hickey Family  All people of the Parish	Tea/Coffee available after each Mass

**WELCOME to Saint Peter's Sixth Form** who will be present at the 10.00am Mass this Monday as part of their Christmas preparation.

**URGENTLY NEEDED APF** Mission Promoters to assist in the distribution of magazines and collections from box holders, just a few hours four times a year - contact Frank Miller 681 7031 or [frankandmary@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:frankandmary@blueyonder.co.uk)

**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT:** Tidings of great joy - IT'S BACK!!! Come and join us for an evening of festive songs and frolics in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, 13 December 2022. 7.30 p.m. (Doors open at 7.00 pm). Home grown entertainment, mulled wine, mince pies - the perfect way to get into the Christmas spirit! £10 per person in aid of the Catholic Handicapped Fellowship Oxford. To book your seats please call : Maria Watts on 0121 705 8421 or email: [marialwatts@talktalk.net](mailto:marialwatts@talktalk.net).

**RAFFLE WINNERS-** Please collect prizes from the Presbytery: Green Tickets. 161; 221; 226; 256; 321; 326; 336; 351; 356; 376. YELLOW TICKET. 286

Offertory Collection for 4th December: Gift Aid:£175 Loose £962:82 Total £1,287:82 Last weekend Second Collection for: Poor Parishes of the Diocese: £452:45

## READERS

## Eucharistic Ministers

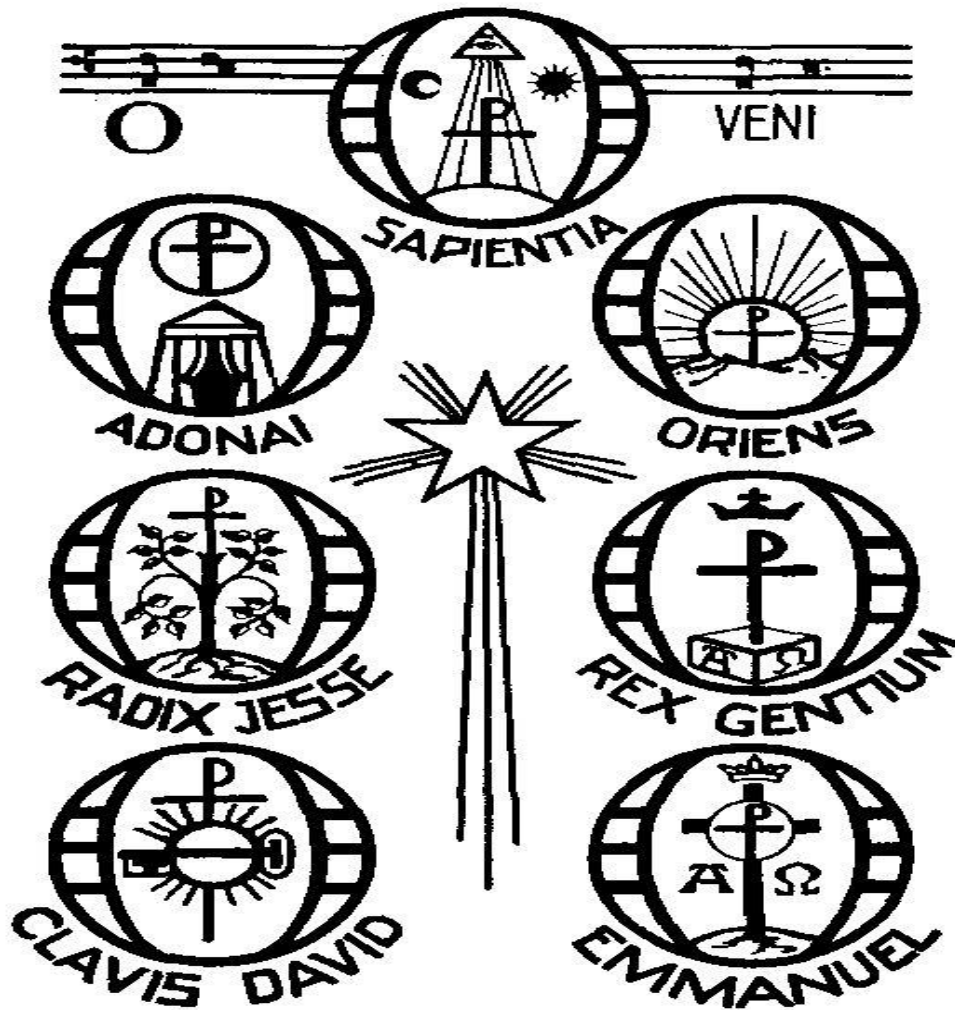
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec 12.30pm T.Duffy	Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 9am	Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 11am
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec 12.30pm T.Cund	M.Coburn	A.Keating
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 12.30pm M.Green	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 9am	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 11am
	M.Hallissey	H.Brookes
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec 9am Finbar Cormac & Joe	Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> December Christmas Rota	Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> December Christmas Rota
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec 11am - M.Keating		
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec 9am C.Ramsay	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> January 9am	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> January 11am
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec 11am H.Cettler	T.Nettikkadan	A.Kelly
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec 9am & 11am	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 9am	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 11am
Christmas Rota	M.Coburn	B.Ngala
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 9.00am M.Coburn	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> January 9am	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> January 11am
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 11am J.Benjamin	D.Nettikkadan	E.Duffy

## 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	Kevin McDaid	Sue Hodrien	Don Deneny
Patricia Mann	Paul Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	John White
Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans	Roisin Brown	Gillian Jones	Catherine Walton	Harry Conlon
James Brown	John McCarthy	Kath Reidy	Mary Johnson	Savio Baretto	Eileen Nolan
Christopher Edmund Poole		for protection and peace in the Mbag	Family	Eve	Steve Bates
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Thelma Cole	Molly Saunders	Roger Cox	Mike Sassano
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## THE O ANTIPHONS



From December 17<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> the Church observes the ancient custom of praying each day one of the 7 'O' Antiphons, so called because each one addresses the God who comes in Christ with a different biblical title, beginning with the invocation 'O'

Please pray for: Kath Clark, (Requiem Friday 30<sup>th</sup> December 10am; Reception Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> December 6pm) Derek Richardson, John Sheehan, Gareth Cox, Rudi Smith, Margaret Carley who died recently.

Also, Bob Morgan, Janet Dodman, Gordon Sutton, James McGettigan, Frank Norton, Julie Margaret Hanly, Margaret Kelly, Mary Eileen Lunn, Hugh Hegarty, Simon Andrew Roche, Timothy O'Shea, Maureen Anne Bernadette Seager, Bridget Mary Bishop, Lilian Powell, Joan Gorman, Renee Goddard, June Elspeth Hoefkens, James Thomas Conway and all with anniversaries at this time.

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