

# SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time   Year C 12<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**Dear Parishioners, 'Give thanks to the Lord!** We should always give thanks to the Lord for his constant goodness to us. He gives us new life through the death and resurrection of his Son, Jesus Christ. We know that if we die with him, we shall also live with him. We were like lepers through sin and now we are made new through Christ's saving power which cleanses and heals us.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**Father Dominic writes:** Father Joseph, (who returns from holiday this week), Deacon Kevin and I join with you in welcoming our former Mayor to the 11am Mass this Sunday. She will be presenting a cheque to the Parish for PACT (Prisoners Advice and Care Trust.) We also welcome some of our young Parishioners beginning their preparation for Confirmation.

**Please pray for Daphne** and Nathan Bentley and Harrison Jack Hyde who are to be baptised into the family of the Church this weekend. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October between 7.30pm-9pm. If you would like to attend, please contact Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

**St Augustine's Community Café** are next meeting on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October between 11.30am until 1.30pm. All are welcome. A hot meal will be served for those who wish to partake.

**The United Reform Church** - You are invited to the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations at URC on 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2025. Events start at 10am on 1<sup>st</sup> November and 2<sup>nd</sup> November. See poster of events in porch.

**A day for Catechists** has been organised at St Ambrose Barlow Church on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October from 10am until 3.45pm. If you would like to attend, please speak with Father Dominic.

**Our sincere thanks** to you for your regular weekly contributions. We have received from the Inland Revenue £6,484:87 in Gift Aid Tax Refund, plus a further £1,995.00 in loose change tax refunds, making a total of £8,479:87 for this last financial year. Thank you also for your generous response to the recent second collections, including last week's collection for Father Hudson's Caritas.

**For news and events** across the Archdiocese please visit the diocesan website- such events include an invitation from Radio Maria to their Mariathon, 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> October; also an Autumn Party at Alton Castle; Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October; also a Justice and Peace Assembly on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October at St Chad's Cathedral from 10.30am until 3.45pm. **Are there any Parishioners** who would like to help us establish the 'Live Simply' status from CAFOD. If so, please speak with Deacon Kevin and/or Father Dominic

**First Holy Communion and Confirmation** preparation for children who do not attend a Catholic School will begin later this term. For those youngsters who wish to be prepared for these Sacraments, please would their parents contact the presbytery. **St Augustine's** Primary School have a few places available in Nursery, Reception and Year 1. Please contact the School: telephone 0121 705 4355 **Are you interested in learning** more about the Catholic Faith, either as a Catholic or non-Catholic, please speak with Father Dominic. **A new Course for adult** Catechesis in Cantonese is being prepared for those who seek to join the Catholic Church. The Meetings will take place at St Mary's Harborne, they started on 4<sup>th</sup> September continuing every Thursday between 7.30pm-8.45pm. For further details please see posters in Church.

Offertory Collection last weekend: Gift Aid £221:66 loose £1,177:57 Total: £1,399:23 Second Collection last weekend: 2nd Collection last weekend CAFOD Harvest Fast- £1,935:39

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

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|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Roberto Cordora                            | Kevin Fahy          | Sandy Simia       | Adam Cole            | Anne Deary       | Lali Ratnaraja  |
| Daniel Meadows                             | Kevin McDaid        | Jonathan Williams | Michael              | Juliana Benjamin | Anthony Herron  |
| 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 Duffy | Breda Fleming     | Lilian               | Andrea Cadman    | Mary Philpott   |
| Father Michael White                       | Benjamin Wort       | Callum Graham     | Michael Leyland      | Wilson Cotton    | Matthew Sheils  |
| Bridget McNamara                           | Ellen Gilmore       | Ian Sanchez       | Father Andrew McCann | Chris Docker     | Eve             |
| Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Donnell | Mrs. Bernie McCann  | Bethany Tidyman   | Nora Shearin         |                  |                 |

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| READERS                                        | EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS                    | EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER                         |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct 12.30pm T Duffy       | Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 12.30pm | Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 9am J& G Sica |
| Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct 12.30pm T Cund        | A.Kelly/Ginny                             | Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 11am B Ngala  |
| Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 9am MC Barbour | Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 12.30pm | Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 9am           |
| Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 11am H Cettler | R Wong/A Kelly                            | M Coburn/J Powers                             |
| Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 9am Enrolment  |                                           | Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 11am J Hickey |
| Yr 3 School                                    |                                           |                                               |
| Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 11am R Noronha |                                           |                                               |

**Church Groups : Catholic Women's League, CWL** . A National Catholic organisation for all Catholic women. What do we do ? We gather in prayer and friendship monthly and our meetings include prayer services, speakers, socials, quizzes and other events. We support parish events and local , national and global charities by fundraising and practical help. We meet on local, diocesan and national levels as well as online. St Augustine's CWL section meet on the third Monday of each month at 7:30pm in the parish centre and there will be a warm welcome for new members so please come along if you are interested.

**THANK YOU. The CWL and SVP** thank all parishioners who made donations to the appeal for items for PACT backpacks for released prisoners. We were able to assemble 35 packs. These have recently been collected by PACT. The backpacks for men have been taken to Swinfen Young offenders prison near Lichfield and the 12 packs for women have been taken to Drake Hall Women's prison in Staffordshire. Thank you for your support and donations.

Mother's Prayers : Mon 13 th. Meeting in the Parish car park at **8pm** before going into Church.

**Marriage Care is recruiting volunteers and Relationship Counsellor trainees** to provide relationship support to couples. While our Certificate in Relationship Counselling (CRC) course for the 2027 intake will start accepting applications next year, we encourage potential applicants to first take on the role of Marriage Preparation Facilitator to gain experience and explore their passions in the year before entering the CRC programme. We encourage you to sign up as soon as possible and **before 15 October 2025** to be in time for our upcoming round of training. Please visit [www.marriagecare.org.uk/get-involved/](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk/get-involved/) or email the Birmingham Centre Co-ordinator at [birmingham.admin@marriagecare.org](mailto:birmingham.admin@marriagecare.org) for signing up or enquiries.

**MEETING FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN NON- CATHOLIC SCHOOLS, YEAR 3**

There is a meeting for parents requesting a place for their child in 2025- 2026 seeking to make their Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Meeting Date: Tuesday 14th October 2025, 6pm in Church. Please contact Libby Service on 07568 508271 to confirm whether you will be attending. **ENROLMENT MASS, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN**  
This year's Enrolment Mass for ALL children making their First Holy Communion, will be 9am Mass NEXT SUNDAY 19th October at St Augustine's. Please arrive early to ensure a seat. If your child attends a non- Catholic school, please contact Libby Service on 07568 508271 beforehand.

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| 11th October Saturday<br><br>Blessed William Howard/<br><br>St John XXIII                     | Kings 5:14-17      2 Timothy 2:8-13<br>Luke 17:11-19<br>Public & Live streamed Mass<br>12.30pm John & Kathleen Casserly-50 <sup>th</sup><br>Wedding Anniversary<br>Christine & Michael Scott-50 <sup>th</sup> Wedding<br>Anniversary | Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm<br>Confessions 11am-12.00pm<br>Tea/Coffee available after Mass                                                         |
| 12th October<br><br><b>TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN<br/>ORDINARY TIME</b><br><br>Prisons Week      | Kings 5:14-17      2 Timothy 2:8-13<br>Luke 17:11-19<br>Public & Live streamed Masses<br><br>9.00am Anna Ransome-Intention<br><br>11.00am John & Michelle James-Ruby Wedding<br>Anniversary<br>All People of the Parish              | Tea/Coffee available after both<br>Masses                                                                                                     |
| 13th October Monday<br><br>Feria in Ordinary Time<br>St Edward the Confessor                  | Roman 1:1-7      Luke 11:29-32<br>Public and Live streamed Mass<br>9.30am Thanksgiving Savio Anthony Noronha<br><br>Nora Shearin-Intention                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                               |
| 14th October Tuesday<br><br>Feria in Ordinary Time<br><br>St Callistus                        | Romans 1:16-25      Luke 11:37-41<br>Public and Live streamed Mas<br>11.00am Requiem Michael Donnelly                                                                                                                                | Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am                                                                                                                |
| 15th October Wednesday<br>St Teresa of Jesus                                                  | Romans 2:1-11      Luke 11:42-46<br>Public and Live streamed Mass<br>12.00pm Bridie Withers-Intention                                                                                                                                | Confession 11.30am<br>Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm<br><a href="mailto:staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk">staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk</a> |
| 16th October Thursday<br>Feria in Ordinary Time<br>St Hedwig/<br>St Margaret Mary Alacoque    | Romans 3:21-30      Luke 11:47-54<br>Public & Live streamed Mass<br>12.00pm Requiem Alan Gorman<br>Bernard Griffin-RIP                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                               |
| 17th October Friday<br>St Ignatius of Antioch                                                 | Romans 4:1-8      Luke 12:1-7<br>Public & Live streamed Masses<br>10.00am Rita Titchmarch-Intention<br><br>6.30pm Monsignor Paul Watson-RIP                                                                                          | Holy Hour & Exposition 5.15pm-<br>6.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm                                                                              |
| 18th October Saturday<br><br><b>FEAST</b><br><br>St Luke                                      | Exodus 17:8-13      2 Timothy 3:14-4:2<br>Luke 18:1-8<br>Public & Live streamed Mass<br>12.30pm Peter Tickell-Intention<br>Elizabeth Jane Taylor-Birthday                                                                            | Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm<br>Confessions 11am-12.00pm<br>Tea/Coffee available after Mass                                                         |
| 19th October<br><br><b>Twenty- Ninth Sunday in Ordinary<br/>Time</b><br><br>World Mission Day | Exodus 17:8-13      2 Timothy 3:14-4:2<br>Luke 18:1-8<br>Public & Live streamed Masses<br><br>9.00am Irene Sutton- RIP<br><br>11.00am Paddy Ryan-RIP<br>Maggie Keane-RIP                                                             | Tea/Coffee available after both<br>Masses                                                                                                     |

## PRAYERS FOR PRISONS WEEK

**Lord Jesus Christ,**

**You have come so that we may have life to the full,**

**Listen to our prayers for all in prison and their families, Touched by your spirit,**

**May they find newness of heart and be open to that new life that is found only in you.**

**May they know care, and receive support from those around them.**

**May they find new purpose in serving you in their brothers and sisters.Amen**

Written for Pact by the Rt. Rev. Richard Moth, Liaison Bishop for Prisons, Catholic Bishops' Conference in England and Wales

**Lord Jesus you know what it is to be held captive. We pray for all those resident in prison and their families.May they be aware of your presence with them and may your spirit bring them peace and the hope of new life in Jesus Christ.**

**May the walls of prison provide a secure place for them to discover both their need for you and that they are loved unconditionally by you.We pray for all who work in prisons, keep them safe and help them to know and demonstrate your compassion and grace in their daily lives.**

Please pray for: Peter John Bates, Michael Donnelly,(Requiem Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October, 11am) ,Alan Gorman (Requiem Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October, 12pm; Reception Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 6pm),Baby Martin Joseph Smith, Father Noel Breslin, Doctor Denys Nicol ,Denis Linehan, Father Paul Johnson, Paul Malone, Dymphna McKiernan, Robin Easterby, John Pears, Gilbert Anderson, Mavis Reynolds, Bernadette Harris Delia Finnegan, Father Tony Rohan, Andrew Lockington and Sister Maura Magner M.M.M.

Also, Ann Jones, Edward Lingard, John Rice, Rita Flynn, Patrick Joseph O'Connor, Kathleen Curley, Maurice Mullane, Sheila Smith, Stephen Patrick Delaney, Richard Palmer, Peter Satelle, William Jones and all with anniversaries at this time.

**'Bereavement Group** - Upcoming dates-'Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Meeting Room. Wednesdays 10:45am 2025: Wed 12th November 10th December **2026:** Wed 14th January 11th February, 11th March;8th April, 13th May, 10th June, 8th July Supporting you in 'Bereavement' Meditation **Group** - Upcoming dates" Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Parish Meeting Room. Mondays 1pm 15th & 29th September 13th & 27th October; 10th & 24th November 8th December; A Guide to 'Meditation' 'Meditation' is a way of 'being' rather than a way of 'thinking'. It is about becoming still. It helps us to become more loving people in our relationships. It takes our mind off ourselves. & we see people as God sees them. Do come along and see for yourself.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Anne Ryder and Susan Wakeham. They can be contacted at [sg.staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.

**This Church live streams Mass and other events. Please see notices in Church for more details.**

**The Carlo Acutis Youth Group** meets at the Friary every Friday evening between 6.30pm-8.30pm for Years 6 and upwards. If you would like to attend, you are very welcome. Please take a friend with you.