

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Year C 13th April 2025

Dear Parishioners, 'Jesus is King! The triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem gives way to his passion and death. Yet Jesus is King and within a week will rise triumphant from the dead. He is the firm ground of our hope that all sufferings in this life are lost in the power of his resurrection.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I look forward to celebrating with you this holiest of weeks and we give thanks that we have the freedom to come together and unite with Jesus in His suffering, death and glorious resurrection.

Please pray for Alfie Allsopp who is to be baptised into the family of the Church this weekend. Your prayers are also asked for William Parsons and Heidi Grassel Hanlon who are to be received into Full Communion at the Easter Vigil. **The next baptismal preparation** evening will take place on Thursday 8th May from 7.30pm-9.00pm. If you wish to attend, please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

Please note the times of the main Services for Holy Week. The Mass of the Lord's Supper is at 6.30pm on Maundy Thursday. There will be Watching at the Altar of Repose until 11pm. There will be a Holy Hour between 8pm-9pm. Our Eucharistic Ministers will be Commissioned at this Mass. On Good Friday, the Commemoration of the Lord's Passion will take place at 3pm and will include Veneration of the Cross and the distribution of Holy Communion. **On Holy Saturday** there will be only one Mass, which is the Easter Vigil and will take place at 8pm. In addition to the above, we invite you to the following: **Monday** 14th April 8pm Mothers' Prayers Stations of the Cross.

Tuesday 15th April 7pm Penance Service at St George & St Teresa's in Dorridge.

Thursday 17th April Morning Prayers & Rosary 10am. **Friday 18th April** Children's Stations of the Cross 10.00am. Good Friday Walk of Witness, 11am, starting at St Augustine's and finishing at St Alphege. **Friday 18th April** 7pm Stations of the Cross. **Saturday 19th April** 10am Morning Prayer & Rosary. Free Car Parking in the lower level of the Dominion car Park for Mothers' Prayers Stations on Monday; for the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday and for the Watching ; for the evening Stations of the Cross on Good Friday and for the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. Easter Sunday as normal -upper level. Please note that on all other occasions it will be necessary to pay.

The Mass of Chrism takes place at St Chad's Cathedral on Wednesday 16th April at 11.30am; You are welcome to attend, but seats are limited.

Thank you for your generous response to last week's bucket collection for the HCPT(Handicapped Children's Pilgrimage Trust) by Deacon Tim Anthony. A total of £1,360:86 was raised. '

Please note there will be a Service of the Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion on Wednesday at 11.30am..

St Augustine's Community Café-No Meeting this Monday 14th April. Next Meeting Monday 19th May.

Mothers Prayers- Stations of the Cross, Monday 14th April 8.00pm

Meditation Group in the parish Meeting Room at Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Church Acocks Green at 1.00 PM
It is an opportunity to be still and to experience how much we are loved by God. You are most welcome to come and join us: 19th May; 2nd June; 16th June; 30th June 2025.

GIFT AID- New boxes available in front porch.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM- 10th May 2025 Principal Celebrant Bishop Richard Walker. For details Fr Philip Griffin telephone- 01384 395 308 email: olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk Also see poster in porch.

You are warmly invited to attend the Candidacy Mass for Andrew Cheng as the Archdiocese of Birmingham officially confers upon him the status of Candidate for the Diaconate-Sunday April 27th 3.00pm. Bilingual Mass. Light refreshments will be served after Mass.

CTS NEW VERSION MISSALS- Estimated to be published end of April 2025. New Revised Weekday Missal £55.00 New Revised Daily Missal £69.99. Please speak with Stephanie Withers or ladies on Piety Stall to order or to ask for more details.

Offertory Collection last weekend Gift Aid £183 Loose £999.05 Total :£1,15:186 Bucket Collection last weekend for HCPT:£1,015:86 + £345 by card payment.

THE CHOSEN- Season5- Cineworld Solihull April10th-April13th

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Anne Deary	Lali Ratnaraja
Trevor Windle	Danny Meadows	Kevin McDaid	Jonathan Williams	Michael	Juliana Benjamin
Patricia Mann	Cornelius Callanan	Damian Poole	Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans	Catherine Walton
Harry Conlon	Eileen Nolan	Paulina Samathar	Rita Titchmarsh	Helen Brookes	Fr Gerard Kelly
James Brown	John McCarthy	Mary Johnson	Savio Baretto	Roger Cox	Angela Hyland
Christopher Edmund Poole		Liam Lewis	Joseph Wong	Briege Williams	Aoife Cook
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Molly Saunders	Mike Sassano	Mary & Amanda	Andrea Cadman
Rosemary Knowles	Tony & Eilish Duffy		Breda Fleming	Pat Hurst	Eve
Father Michael White	Father Tony Rohan		Benjamin Wort	Callum Graham	
Bridget McNamara	Ellen Gilmore	Ian Sanchez	Father Andrew McCann	Doreen and Wilson Cotton	
Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Donnell	Michael Leyland				

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READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Saturday 12 th April 12.30pm T Duffy	Sunday 13 th April 9am	Sunday13 th April 11am
Saturday 26 th April 12.30pm T Cund	M Coburn	J Hickey
Sunday 13 th April 9am Joe Finbar Cormac	Holy Thursday 17 th April 6.30pm	
Sunday 13 th April 11am Cecilia	A.Kelly/ M Coburn	
Holy Thursday 17 th April C Hodrien	Good Friday 18 th April	
Good Friday 18 th April H. Cettler	E.Duffy/A.Kelly	
Holy Saturday 19 th April	Holy Saturday 19 th April 8pm	
H.Cettler/C.Wan/ /	A.Kelly/ H.Cettler	
Easter Sunday 9am M.Coburn	Easter Sunday 9.00am	Easter Sunday 11.00am
Easter Sunday 11am C.Hodrien	Jinney/M.Hallisey	E.Duffy/ B. Ngala

EASTER 2025: OUR FRIENDS IN NEED Thank you so much for your generosity this last year, which has served so many of our friends in need- individual people and families. St Augustine's currently needs chocolate items for Easter, tinned meats, UHT milk and juice, basmati rice, pot noodle, tinned rice pudding, teabags, coffee and sugar. tinned fruit, custard pots. Can you help? For further information, please contact the SVP on: 07568 508271 Collection of items can be arranged if needed.

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS ST AUGUSTINE'S: GOOD FRIDAY:

FRIDAY 18TH APRIL 2025, 10am All children, young people and families are invited to Stations of the Cross in church on Good Friday. The children are welcome to wear a costume to help with the enactment- soldiers, women of Jerusalem or townspeople. We will need readers and young people in Year 6 to for the roles of Jesus, Mary, Pontius Pilate and Simon of Cyrene (non- speaking parts.) Altar servers also needed. If you are able to be there, or need help or information, please contact Libby Service, Catechist on: 07568 508271

<p>12th April Saturday</p> <p>Lent Feria</p>	<p>Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Luke 22:14-23:56 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm John Pullen- RIP Derek Kehoe-RIP</p>	<p><i>Holy Hour 11am-12.00noon</i> <i>Confession 11am-12 noon</i> Tea &Coffee available after Mass</p>
<p>13th April</p> <p>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</p>	<p>Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Luke 22:14-23:56 Public & Live streamed Masses</p> <p>9.00am St Peter's Community-Intentions</p> <p>11.00am All People of the Parish Piedade Gurjao-RIP</p>	<p><i>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</i></p> 
<p>14th April Monday</p> <p>Of Holy Week</p>	<p>Isaiah 42:1-7 John 12:1-11 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Cecile Lee</p> <p>Bernie Walder-RIP</p>	<p>Mothers' Prayers- Stations of the Cross-8pm</p>
<p>15th April Tuesday</p> <p>Of Holy Week</p>	<p>Isaiah 49:1-6 John 13:21-33,36-38 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Father John Seward & Family Father Toby</p>	<p>Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am</p> <p>Penance Service St George & St Teresa 7.00pm</p>
<p>16th April Wednesday</p> <p>Of Holy Week</p>	<p>Isaiah 50:4-9 Matthew 26:14-25 Public and Live streamed Service 11.30am Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion</p>	<p>Stations of the Cross 11.00am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk</p>
<p>17th April Thursday</p> <p>Mass of the Lord's Supper</p>	<p>Exodus 12:1-8,11-14 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-15 Public & Live streamed Mass 6.30pm Thomas, Catherine, Frances Ann Kelly- & Kinnaird Family-RIP Vincent Antonio da Costa-Thanksgiving</p>	<p>Morning Prayers & Rosary 10.00am Holy Hour 8pm-9pm Watching at the Altar of Repose until 11.00pm</p>
<p>18th April Friday</p>  <p>Fast & Abstinence</p>	<p>Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9 John 18:1-19:42 Public & Live streamed Service</p> <p>3.00pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion</p>	<p>Children's Stations of the Cross 10am</p> <p>Confession-after 3pm Service</p> <p>Walk of Witness 11am</p> <p>Stations of the Cross 7pm</p>
<p>19th April</p> <p>Holy Saturday</p>	<p>Genesis 1:1-2:2 Genesis 22:1-18 Exodus 14:15-15:-1 Romans 6:3-11 Matthew 28:1-10 Public & Live streamed Mass Easter Vigil 8.00pm Padie Horan-RIP Martin McTiernan-RIP</p>	<p>Morning Prayers& Rosary 10.00am Confessions 11am-12.00pm</p>
<p>20th April</p> <p>Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord</p>	<p>Acts 10:34,37-43 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Stephen & Linda Dawson-Intention For the People of the Parish 11.00am- Angela Duffy-RIP John and Irene Holden - Intentions</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>

PALM SUNDAY PRAYER

(Adapted liberally from a prayer written by Annabel Shilson-Thomas, UK)

Jesus, you set your face towards Jerusalem and walked alongside those who suffer.

Be our vision that we too may walk the way of compassion and extend a hand to those we meet.

Lord, hear our prayer...

And in your love, answer.

Lord, you stopped to heal the sick and tend to those broken in body, mind or spirit.

Be our vision that we too may be a source of healing to all in need of your grace.

Jesus, you said, "The first shall be last and the last first."

Be our vision that we too may work towards your realm – when the marginalized and oppressed will be raised up and know that they are indeed beloved children of the Holy. Jesus, you took the time to pray and to be silent.

Be our vision that through our prayers, meditation and reflection we may draw closer to you and find our way on this journey of faith.

Lord, you entered Jerusalem with peace in your heart.

Be our vision that we too can live as people of peace in the face of the world's many conflicts.

May we hold your vision of justice and peace ever before us.



Please pray for: Father Fred Sheldon, Samuel Robinson , John Westman , Pat Craddock, Michael Costello, Maha Eraifej, Deacon Pat Flanagan and Desmond Duffy, Thomas D Ward, Angela Lloyd , Trish Embley, Philomena Barreto, Angela Duffy, Josephine Egonu , Eileen Horsburgh, Christopher Morgan-Cettler who died recently.

Also, Mary Farrell, Kathleen Harris, Teresa Waldron, Ann McGowan, Laurence Christopher Redmond, Sheelagh Margaret Orme, Dr Peter Loly, Dennis Joseph McLaughlin, James Stephen Devine, Jack O'Connor, Patrick Butler, Daniel Edward(Eddie) McLearn, Thomas Michael Hughes, Monica Ethna Thomas, Hugh Francis, Baby Logan Cheshire, Alan David Claythorne, Kevin Joseph Crowley, Karen Stoakes, Pauline Waters, Anne Christine Perkins, Thomas Henry Cole, Gary Harvey Law and all with anniversaries at this time.

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 or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Prayer for the Holy Father as his makes steady progress: Almighty and Eternal God,

you are the everlasting health of those who believe in you.

Hear our prayers for your sick servant Francis for whom we implore the aid of your tender mercy, through Christ our Lord. Amen. **Our Lady of Lourdes, Health of the Sick, pray for him.**

Sunday 13th April Walk from St George & St Teresa Dorridge. (Catching the bus there. Leaving Saint Augustine's Church 1.40pm)

Join the Candlelight Prayer vigil for Life organised by March for Life UK at 7pm on Sunday 27th April. This event will be held in Victoria Square, Birmingham to remember the 57th anniversary of the implementation of the Abortion Act. Please come and join in this peaceful, prayerful time of reflection with speeches from Christian leaders as we recall the lives lost and wounded from the legalisation of abortion. No need to bring posters or candles. For more info go to www.marchforlife.co.uk

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