

**SAINT AUGUSTINE
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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Year C 10th March 2019

Dear Parishioners,

'The Lord hears our voice.' In the midst of all our trouble 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 Israelites out of their bondage in Egypt.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

The next Baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 14th March at 8pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

We welcome Year 6 of Saint Augustine's to the 9am Mass this Sunday morning as part of their preparation for Confirmation.

This Lent you are invited to come along to some exciting Lenten Talks. The Talks will take place on a Monday morning after the 10am Mass and will be repeated on a Thursday evening at 7.00pm, commencing Monday 11th March, in the Parish Hall. The Talks will focus on Christian discipleship and the example of St Paul's life. See poster in Church.

There are additional copies of the 'Tablet' available in the main porch. It is an international Catholic weekly and is priced £3.60.

The annual Dementia Prayer Week will take place from 12th to 19th March 2019. It is organised by the Pastoral Care Project under Mrs Frances Molloy. Deacon Kevin is one of the Trustees. For further information please visit www.pastoralcareproject.org.uk There are some helpful resources available for you to use. We will dedicate our periods of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during this week to pray for those with Dementia and their families and carers.

Solihull Churches Action on Homelessness have a Flag Day on Saturday 30th March. Mrs Mary Clark, our representative on S.C.A.H. has requested help. Can you give an hour of your time between 10am-3pm on Saturday 30th March? If so, please speak to Father Dominic.

Stations of the Cross will be available on the bench by the 1st Station in Church. Please return them after use.

There will be Stations each Friday at 6.00pm.

Please note Mass next Tuesday 12th March begins at 9.45am

<p>9th March</p> <p>Saturday after Ash Wednesday</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Romans 10:8-13 Luke 4:1-13</p> <p>12.30pm Monica McTernan-RIP Una Hyland-Intention Michael Hyland-RIP</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon</p> <p>Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p>10th March</p> <p>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</p> <p>Day of Prayer for Candidates for the Sacraments</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Romans 10:8-13 Luke 4:1-13</p> <p>9.00am Beatrice McCaffrey-RIP (month's mind) 11.00am Carberry Family</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9am & 11am Masses</p>
<p>11th March</p> <p>Monday</p> <p>Lent Feria</p>	<p>Leviticus 19:1-2,11-18 Matthew 25:31-46</p> <p>9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Paul Cox-Intention</p>	<p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm</p>
<p>12th March</p> <p>Tuesday</p> <p>Lent Feria</p>	<p>Isaiah 55:10-11 Matthew 6:7-15</p> <p>9.20am The Rosary 9.45am Deacon Kevin O'Connor-Intention Tim Hanly-RIP</p>	<p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm</p> <p>Legion of Mary 6.15pm</p>
<p>13th March</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>Lent Feria</p>	<p>Jonah 3:1-10 Luke 11:29-32 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18</p> <p>9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Norman Hart-RIP Bernard Concannon-RIP</p>	<p>Parents & Toddlers Group Rainbows 4.30pm-5.30pm Brownies 5.45pm-7.30pm</p>
<p>14th March</p> <p>Thursday</p> <p>Lent Feria</p>	<p>Esther 4:17 Matthew 7:7-12</p> <p>12.05pm The Rosary 12.30pm Chrissie Alwell-RIP Elizabeth Magahrin-RIP Jenny Parsons-RIP</p>	<p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm</p> <p>Exposition between 12.00pm-12.30pm Baptism Preparation Evening. 8pm-Presbytery</p>
<p>15th March</p> <p>Friday</p> <p>Lent Feria</p> <p>CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY</p>	<p>Ezekiel 18:21-28 Matthew 5:20-26</p> <p>9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Teresa Naylor & Family-Intentions 6.30pm Audrey O'Callaghan-RIP</p>	<p>Exposition after 10am Mass Until 12.30pm</p> <p>Holy Hour 5.00pm-6.00pm Stations of the Cross 6.00pm</p>
<p>16th March</p> <p>Saturday after Ash Wednesday</p>	<p>Genesis 15:5-12,17-18 Philippians 3:17-4:1 Luke 9:28-36</p> <p>12.30pm Benny Mulligan- Intention Dan & Sarah Coughlan-RIP Lalithe Ratnaraja & Family</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon</p> <p>Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p>17th March</p> <p>Second Sunday of Lent</p> <p>Day of Prayer for Candidates for the Sacraments</p>	<p>Genesis 15:5-12,17-18 Philippians 3:17-4:1 Luke 9:28-36</p> <p>9.00am Thomas Brosnan-RIP 11.00am Bernadette McDevitt-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9am & 11am Masses</p>

Offertory Collection last week: £1,155:42 (Gift Aid £309:70 Loose £845:72)

**2nd Collection last week: Cathedral Maintenance-£519:48
Collection CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY**

ROTAS- New Rotas available on notice boards, please check your availability.

Tabor House, Birmingham's only permanent night shelter, is looking for volunteers to help, especially overnight and mentors. If you are interested in finding out more why not come along to their *Open evening on Wednesday 20th March 2019* 6pm - 8pm at St Anne's Training Room, 96 Bradford Street, Birmingham, B12 0PY. Please contact Sharon McCall: 07387 418319 for further information.

EXPLORE THE WORD OF GOD- SACRED HEART AND HOLY SOULS CHURCH ACOCKS GREEN- meeting every 2 weeks- 3 sessions; Friday 8th March; Friday 22nd March; Friday 5th April-all at 7pm. See poster in porch for details.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM – Saturday 11th May 2019. See poster in porch for details.

VACANCY ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM- Senior Administrative Assistant/ Personal Assistant to the Vicar General. See poster in porch for details. Closing date 22nd March 2019.

DEANERY VOCATIONS GROUP- will meet once a month on the last Tuesday of the month to pray; the Meeting will follow the 7pm Mass at St Thomas More Church Sheldon. A Vocations day at St Peter's School is planned. Details to follow later. **YOUTH LEADERS TRAINING COURSE**- 'BETHSAIDA COURSE'-during Lent on Friday evenings after the 7pm Mass at St Thomas More Church Sheldon. Organised by Megan Cox, Deanery Youth Worker.

Every Life Matters – a talk by Life Charity Saturday 23rd March, arrivals from 10.30am The Grimshaw Room, St Chad's Cathedral B4 6EY Cost – suggested donation of £5 (all monies will be given to Life Charity) For more info call 0121 475 1227 / 07767 457625 See poster in porch for details.

The Friends of the Holy Land, would like to thank all the parishioners who attended the Pancake Lunch on shrove Tuesday and helped raise the magnificent sum of £326.30. This was a very successful event and, thanks to the volunteers who helped on the day to assist in cooking and serving 150 pancakes, teas and coffees. The money has already been banked and our Head Office in Kenilworth notified, all funds collected will go direct to helping our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land.

Father Hudson's Care has places available for the Birmingham and Midland Velo, a 100-mile sponsored cycle on 12 May. Anyone interested in riding in aid of our diocesan social care agency should call Father Hudson's on 01675-434059 or e-mail fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk before 12 March.

Readers this week SUNDAY 9.00am SCHOOL YEAR 6 <i>Michael Keating</i> 11.00am Chris Hodrien Juliana Benjamin	Eucharistic Ministers this week SUNDAY 9.00am Ken Bolton & Don Deneny <i>Ken Bolton & Don Deneny</i> 11.00am Eilish Duffy <i>Eilish Duffy</i>
Cleaning Rota: for week beginning March 11th for Services March 16th/17th -D Mary Murray, Pat Ferris, Veronica Norton	
Flowers Rota: – for week beginning March 11th-No flowers Lent	

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish: Keith Frettsome Martin Yates
Virginia Gregory, Angela, Eilish, Tony Duffy Margaret Kelly Joan Kennedy Roberto Cordora
Keith Frettsome Martin Yates

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Please pray for: Rosie Thomas, **Mike** Davies and Peter Barnett who died recently. Also Alice Butler, Baby Edward Hemming, Raymond Gamble, Helen Doyle, Louis O'Rourke, Petronilla Netsai Ndlovu, Megan Jean Zarebski, Walter Ashley, Ronald Morgan, Joan Olive Western, Mary Mc Cormack, Iris May Toolan, Ellen Ennis and all with anniversaries at this time.

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