

***SAINT AUGUSTINE
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT Year C 31st March 2019

Dear Parishioners,

'God reconciles us to Himself in Christ. Christ is our new creation. In Him we are reborn. When we were dead through sin Christ came to reconcile us to the Father. Now we are ambassadors for Christ and are privileged to proclaim the Good News. Christ takes away our shame if only we will return to the Father's house as prodigal sons confessing our weakness and waywardness.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 25th April at 8pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome. **A special sheet** has been prepared (lilac-coloured) for the times of Services for Holy Week. **There is a rota** in the Sacristy for Readers and Special Ministers of Holy Communion to sign indicating your availability to help with the Holy Week Services.

We welcome the pupils of Saint Augustine's, Year 4, who will be coming to Church on Thursday afternoon for Stations of the Cross and to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation; and we welcome Year 5 for the same purpose on Friday afternoon.

A big welcome also to the pupils and parents of Key Stage 1 from St Augustines School who will be helping with the Liturgy at the 9am Mass this Sunday. **The youngsters** from our Parish Youth Group are going to lead Stations of the Cross on Tuesday 9th April at 7.30pm in the Church. **Thank you for your generous** response to the emergency appeal from CAFOD for the people of Mozambique, Malawi and Zimbabwe. We have raised £3,347:52 from the mini sale, the second collection and Teas and Coffees.

The next Holy Hour by Candle-light will take place on Thursday 4th April-6.15pm-7.15pm This will be followed by a Meeting on Evangelisation at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

We are hoping to have a Rosary Rally on Sunday 5th May. Further details to follow.

Is there anyone in the Parish who would like to help with a dementia Café in the Parish Hall, once a month on a Thursday between 2pm to 4pm. Contact Geraldine Sykes at:

gandrx@gmail.com or text Henryk Cettler on- 07837919230

Solihull Catenian Circle will be holding their monthly meeting at the Village Hotel, Shirley- Tuesday 16th April, followed by a 3 course dinner; Meeting starts at 7.15pm –dinner 8.30pm. Any Catholic men are most welcome to observe at the Meeting and attend the dinner. Contact Brian Healy 0121 705 9317 or Frank Miller 0121 681 7031

<p>30th March Saturday</p>	<p>Joshua 5:9-12 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Luke 15:1-3,11-32 12.30pm Mary Christie-RIP Hyland Family-RIP Irene Whitehouse-RIP</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p>31st March FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT</p>	<p>Joshua 5:9-12 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Luke 15:1-3,11-32 9.00am Jonathan White-RIP 11.00am Bridget,Nuala,Liam & Melissa Brown-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9am & 11am Masses</p>
<p>1st April Monday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Isaiah 65:17-21 John 4:43-54 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Ada Quinn-Intention</p>	<p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm Lenten Talks on the Faith- after 10am Mass</p>
<p>2nd April Tuesday Lent Feria <i>St Francis of Paola</i></p>	<p>Ezekiel 47:1-9,12 John 5:1-3,5-16 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Thanksgiving(DK) Tom Oliver-Intention</p>	<p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm Legion of Mary 6.15pm</p>
<p>3rd April Wednesday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Isaiah 49:8-15 John 5:17-30 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Norman Hart-RIP Dumelina Rodrigues-RIP</p>	<p>Parents & Toddlers Group Rainbows 4.30pm-5.30pm Brownies 5.45pm-7.30pm</p>
<p>4th April Thursday Lent Feria <i>St Isidore</i></p>	<p>Exodus 32:7-14 John 5:31-47 12.05pm The Rosary 12.30pm Eugene & Anna O'Donnell-RIP Jimmy Grant-Intention Alice Power-RIP 6.15pm-7.15pm Holy Hour By Candle-light</p>	<p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm Exposition between 12.00pm- 12.30pm Lenten Talks on the Faith 7pm Evangelisation Meeting 7.30pm- Parish Hall</p>
<p>5th April Friday Lent Feria <i>St Vincent Ferrer</i></p>	<p>Wisdom 2:1,12-22 John 7:1-2,10,25-30 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Teresa & John Murtagh-Intention 6.30pm Albert Woodruff-RIP</p>	<p>Exposition after 10am Mass Until 12.30pm Holy Hour 5.00pm-6.00pm Stations of the Cross 6.00pm</p>
<p>6th April Saturday</p>	<p>Isaiah 43:16-21 Philippians 3:8-14 John 8:1-11 12.30pm Josephine Colette McAuley-RIP Michael Moran-RIP Bridie Connon-RIP</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p>7th April Fifth Sunday in Lent</p>	<p>Isaiah 43:16-21 Philippians 3:8-14 John 8:1-11 9.00am Meng Lin, Jo Scia's Father, Andy Jones, Kevin McDaid & Intentions of all Fathers 11.00am Helen Treanor-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9am & 11am Masses</p>

Offertory Collection last week: £1,298:69 (Gift Aid £374:63 Loose £924:06)

Second Collection last weekend:CAFOD Flood APPEAL- £1650:42 CAFOD Teas/Coffee-£1,697:10

GIFT AID ENVELOPES-If you have not done so already, please collect your new box of envelopes; please inform Fr Dominic of any changes to address or tax situation to maintain accurate records. If you wish to join the Gift Aid Scheme and you pay tax, please ask Fr Dominic for a form.

'UNDER ONE ROOF'- Reaching out to people who care for others. Do you look after a family member, friend or neighbour. Come along to this event for support and information for your own health and wellbeing. Saturday 13th April 10.30am-2.30pm Solihull Christadelphian Hall. See poster in porch for details.

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

PLEASE SEE DETAILS -about the Settlement Scheme for EU/EEA citizens who wish to remain in the UK after BREXIT which are on the Notice Board.

LENTEN TALKS ON THE FAITH- Monday 10.45am and Thursday 7.00pm-See Notice Board for details

ARCHDIOCESE OF BHAM PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM – Saturday 11th May 2019. Poster in porch for details.

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.

Des Foxon is retiring after 27 years as head of St George & St Teresa School, Dorridge. There is a thanksgiving Mass in St George & St Teresa Church, (Station Rd, Dorridge B93 8EZ) to which all local priests & deacons, all former parents, staff and pupils are invited on Wed 3rd April at 7.00 pm.

BIRMINGHAM PASSION PLAY 16th-18th APRIL STEWARDS REQUIRED PLEASE SEE NOTICE IN PORCH

Marriage Encounter Non Residential Weekend at Saint Mary's on the Hill, Wednesbury the weekend 29th-30th June 2019. This is an enrichment weekend for normal, ordinary marriages (NOT counselling). M.E. weekends have proved time and time again to be of immense value to couples however long they have been married. All discussions are private to the participating couples; there is no group work. Take advantage of a fairly local weekend! For further information go to www.wwme.org.uk or contact Phil & Rita Jackson on 0121 2447762 or email wackojacko456@hotmail.com

Olivet to Calvary-to be performed by the Parish Choir at Olton Friary-Sunday April 7th at 7.30pm.Donations to Marie Curie .Lasts one hour; no tickets required. All welcome See poster in porch.

Readers this week	Eucharistic Ministers this week
SUNDAY	SUNDAY
9.00am SCHOOL KS1 and Rec <i>Bernard McHale</i>	9.00am Anne & Michael Hallissey <i>Joan & Dan Doyle</i>
11.00am Marie Watts Chris Hodrien	11.00am Tessy Nettikkadan <i>Annette Kelly</i>
Cleaning Rota: for week beginning April 1st for Services April 6th/7th-G Tracey Dunleavy, Dasan & Tessy Nettikkadan	
Flowers Rota: – for week beginning April 1st-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

Mothering Sunday March 31st

**Loving God,
we thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us,
whose love is so precious that it can never be measured,
whose patience seems to have no end.
May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them.
We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love
or time, or patience.
We ask you to bless them with your own special love.**

**We beseech You to send Your Holy Spirit, the Comforter,
to all mothers who sorrow for children that have died,**

are ill or estranged from their families, or who are in trouble or danger of any kind.

**Help grieving mothers to rely on Your tender mercy and fatherly love for all your children.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, our brother.
Amen.**

Please pray for: Anthony Dean (Requiem Friary, Wednesday 3rd April, 11.30am) who died recently. Also Jozef Munko, Dr Elizabeth Scull, Martin Power, Gerald Edward Thomas, Eugene O'Donnell, Susan Monica Joyce, Dennis Oxley, Julia Mahoney and Angela Mary D'Arcy and all with anniversaries at this time.

Safe Guarding Representatives are: Anne Ryder 0121 705 3067 anne.ryder@staugustinesolihull.org.uk
Teresa Cund 0121 733 2143

SAVE THE DATE: Sat 11th May! March for Life UK is happening in London. Join thousands of other pro-lifers in creating awareness of the hurt and damage abortion causes and helping to promote a culture of life. Inside festival (LifeFest19) 9.30am - 1.30pm, booking required. March starts 2pm (no booking required). For more info see posters/leaflets or go to marchforlife.co.uk or call 07773501721/ 07885505116. Local coach departing from (The B'ham Oratory, contact Alice on 07845706362 for more info) or (St Augustine's Solihull / St Dunstan's Kingsheath / Holy souls Acocks Green - for more details contact Brian Healy 07726311261) or (St George's RC Church Worcester - for more details contact Isabel 07773501721)