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Fr Dominic Kavanagh

Deacon Kevin O'Connor (Retired)

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 19th July 2026

Father Dominic writes: 'The Spirit is our help! We are a people full of weaknesses due to sin. We cannot pray for repentance unless the Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. Our God is mild in judgement and we pray that his mercy will be with us so that like wheat we will be gathered into his barn. (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Dear Parishioners, What consoling words St Paul speaks to us today: 'The Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us..' May this same Spirit be with our parents, pupils and staff as they begin their summer holiday and may the Spirit bring adventure, peace and joy.

Please pray for Tsz Long Choy (Keith) and Viktoriia Yakovenko as they are Confirmed and Received into Full Communion during the 11am Mass this Sunday, July 19th.

Please pray for a Trainee Deacon, Andrew Cheng, who is to be Ordained on Saturday 18th July at 12.00 midday at Saint Chad's Cathedral. Andrew's first Mass as a newly Ordained Deacon will take place here at Saint Augustine's on Sunday 19th July at 4.00pm. Also, Confessions at 3pm. Refreshments will follow Mass. There is free car parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park, from 2.30pm-7pm. Andrew will help Monsignor Danny in Monsignor's role as co-ordinator of the Ethnic Chaplaincies.

Maryvale Institute are offering a new online course on the Sacrament of Marriage. It comprises a full academic year of theological formation- open to anyone, no prior study required, starting September 2026. For further information call 012 360 8118. from 2.30pm.

Thank you to all who have contributed in any way to our Summer Fayre, this Saturday afternoon, July 18th. Thank you for the goods brought and donations received, for the purchase of the raffle tickets and for the help in tidying up after the 11am Mass on Sunday. Thank you to our organisers and stall holders.

We Believe Festival- an unmissable opportunity to discover the traditions and charisms that flow through the Church, to grow in authentic community, and to encounter the transforming love of God.

Join us from **Friday 24 - Monday 27 July** at the historic and beautiful setting of St Mary's College, Oscott for a feast of the True, the Good and the Beautiful. *There's a 33% discount on day tickets using the code 'BIRMINGHAM-DISCOUNT' at checkout.* Last year more than 2,000 Catholics gathered in the grounds for the first-ever *We Believe Festival*, celebrating Catholic life and faith. The event is hosted by St Mary's College, Oscott and the Guild of Our Lady of Ransom. See poster in porch. Or email: info@webelievefestival.com

Gift Aid: £503 (A special thanks to those who Gift Aid their donation, allowing us to claim an additional £125:75) Loose £ 1,090:85: Total-£1,593:85 . Standing Orders for the month of June £3,125:50 Second Collection last weekend Stella Marie: £589:84 Collection next weekend: **LEPRA-** Today 475 people will be diagnosed with Leprosy. 25 of these will be children. An estimated 4 million people across the globe are living with undiagnosed Leprosy. Leprosy is not a disease of the past, it still exists and it is destroying lives. 91p of every £1 donated to LEPRA goes directly to helping improve the health and wellbeing of some of the world's most vulnerable.

An inclusive Mass for People with SEN and Disabilities takes place each month at Our Lady and St Brigid's Church, Northfield. These are the forthcoming dates: 26th July, 23rd August, 27th September from 4pm to 4.20pm, Refreshments served afterwards.

St Augustine's Catholic Primary School-Places available in Nursery and Years 2 and 3 from September.

Is your child due to start Nursery (born Sept 2022 – August 2023) or years 2 or 3 in September 2026? Spaces have become available at St Augustine's school to start in September. The nursery offers a full time (8:50-3:20pm) provision, term time only. Application forms can be found on the school website <https://www.st-augustines.solihull.sch.uk/admissions/> or by contacting the school office on 0121 705 4355 or 85office@st-augustines.solihull.sch.uk.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Lali Ratnaraja	Angela Keating	Mary Cassidy	Rosemary Knowles	Philomena Kenny	Phillip O'Neill
Briege Williams	Jonathan Williams	Father Pat Sayles	Maureen Hughes	Kitty Gardener	Julie Hickey
Adrian Boyes	Patrick Mitchell	Catherine Bird	Helen Kirk	Patrick Murphy	Patricia Sheasby
Edward Martin	Jess Stanton	Daniel Meadows			

READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 18 th July 12.30pm M Connor	Saturday 18 th July 12.30pm	Sunday 19 th July 9am
Sat 25 th July 12.30pm Bernard	A Kelly/Ginny	M Coburn/ J Sica
Sunday 19 th July 9am C Ramsey	Saturday 25 th July 12.30pm	Sunday 19 th July 11am P Davis
Sunday 19 th July 11am H Cettler	J & R Wong	Sunday 26 th July 9am
Sunday 26 th July 9am M C Barbour		J Sica/ M Hallissey
Sunday 26 th July 11am R Noronha		Sunday 26 th July 11am A Kelly

Lectio Divina by zoom, will continue this Wednesday from 7.30pm-8.15pm. All are welcome.

For News and events around the Archdiocese please visit the diocesan website:

www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Marriage in a Rut? Or need our help with deeper issues? Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage. Next dates 2nd-4th October. <http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info> Telephone: 07788 729 6983

Our Lady of Lourdes School-2 vacancies Level2/3 Teaching Assistants. See notice board for details.

Wednesday 19th August 2026, 10.30am – 2.30pm As part of their mission of commitment to caring for creation, the Columbans have made biodiversity restoration and protection a key priority. To celebrate this work and inspire others to take action, they are hosting a special Summer Open Day for local families during the summer! The day will include pond dipping, nature activities, arts and crafts, games, beekeeping talks, stories of mission from Columban priests and opportunities to explore our rewilded grounds and solar energy installation. Visitors are invited to bring a picnic and enjoy a day outdoors discovering God's creation. Please visit the Columban website for more information.

The Great Awakening- 1st August 2026 9am-4.30pm Bethel Convention Centre Kelvin Way, West Bromwich, Birmingham B70 7JW See poster in porch for details.

18 th July Saturday	Wisdom 12:13,16-19 Romans 8:26-27 Matthew 13:24-43 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Maggie Keane-RIP Eilish Cooney-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Summer Fayre 1.30pm -4pm Refreshments after Mass
19 th July SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Wisdom 12:13,16-19 Romans 8:26-27 Matthew 13:24-43 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Keating Family & Friends All People of the Parish 11.00am Robbie Cook-RIP Mima Rochechinha-RIP	Summer Fayre continues after both Masses. Tea/Coffee available after both Masses.
20 th July Monday Feria in Ordinary Time St Apollinaris	Micah 6:1-4,6-8 Matthew 12:38-42 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Canon Laurence Kelly-RIP Roisin Gilligan-RIP	
21 st July Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time St Lawrence of Brindisi	Micah 7:14-15,18-20 Matthew 12:46-50 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Michael Cusack-In Thanksgiving Paul Tarpey-RIP	Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am
22 nd July Wednesday FEAST St Mary Magdalene	Song of Solomon 3:1-4 OR 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 John 20:1-2,11-18 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Cornelius Callanan-RIP Rosetta Bradley-RIP	Confessions 11.15-11.45am 'Lectio Divina' - this week. Email for the link: staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
23 rd July Thursday FEAST St Bridget Patron of Europe Day of Prayer for Europe	Galatians 2:19-20 John 15:1-8 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Paulina Samathar-RIP Pietro & Joe Pizzilli-Intentions	Prayer Meeting 7.00-8.00pm
24 th July Friday Feria in Ordinary Time St Sharbel Makhluf	Jeremiah 3:14-17 Matthew 13:18-23 Public & Live streamed Mass 6.30pm Eamonn McDonald-Intention Gerry McElhatton-RIP	Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm- followed by Mass 6.30pm
25 th July Saturday FEAST St James	1 Kings 3:5-6, 7-12 Romans 8:28-30 Matthew 13:44-52 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Anne Mulrennan-RIP Seamus Fleming-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confession 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass
26 th July Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly	1 Kings 3:5-6, 7-12 Romans 8:28-30 Matthew 13:44-52 Public & Live streamed Mass 9.00am Gene Cronin-RIP Jason King-RIP 11.00am Tony Duffy-RIP & Eilish Duffy-Intention Mary Donnelly-RIP	Tea /Coffee available after both Masses

End of Term Prayer

**For all the teaching and learning that has taken place in our School,
Both in and out of the classroom.
For the talents and gifts that have been shared and
The challenges that have been faced; for the burdens
That have been lifted and the hurts
That have been healed.
For the respect and care that has been given.
We give thanks for the friendships that have just begun and for those
That have grown.
For the faith that has been lived in our daily struggles. For the
Hope that has lifted our hearts on the dark days.
And for the love that has kept us going.
We give thanks for the community that we are, and we
Ask you Lord, bless our students who has sat exams- may
They achieve all their expectations.
Bless our families as we take our
Holidays, may our time together leave us with memories to cherish.
Pour out your love on us, that
We may return renewed and refreshed to
Continue our journey together.
We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please pray for: Tony Duffy, Bob Dipple, Glynis Hawkins, Helen Mary Teresa McGrath, Jim Harding, Philip Gartland, Sonya O'Shea (Requiem, Tuesday 28th July, 11.30am), Michael Joseph O'Mahony (Requiem Wednesday 29th July 12.30pm; Reception Tuesday 28th July, 6pm) David & Edna Powers, Michael Joseph O'Gorman, Reginald Harding, Nicholas Ian Barnett, Susan Kelly, Julie Agnew, and Henry Oliver Price who died recently.

Also, Canon Laurence Kelly, Marie Rita Wheeler, Geraldine Marie Gill, John Harvey, Yvonne Margaret Derbyshire, Lucy Travis, Doreen Joan Blattner, Frederick Jones, Toby Burke, Colin Teeling, James O'Shea, Ronald Andrew Delaney, Mary Donoghue, Michael Anthony Hulse, Maria Puificacion Martin, William Robert Easterby, Winifred Arnold, Dr Jim Walsh 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 if you have any concerns.

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