

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 19th October 2025

Dear Parishioners, 'Pray continually and never lose heart. When we pray, we are inclined to give up if God does not seem to answer us immediately. We should persevere knowing that Christ is always interceding for us to His Father for our protection and welfare. As long as we pray in faith then we can never be beaten by our enemies.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: Father Joseph, having returned from his holiday, Deacon Kevin and I rejoice with you on this World Mission Sunday, that we are called to be Missionaries of Hope, among all peoples. Thank you for your generous support of the Missions through holding the Red Mission boxes, and through today's annual collection for Missio. Thank you also for our collectors of the mission boxes and to Mr Frank Miller, who for many years acted as Parish Secretary for Missio. We have yet to find a replacement for Frank, would anyone be willing to undertake this role?

Please pray for the child of Rhianna and Thomas Pettit who is to be baptised into the family of the Church this Sunday. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 13th November from 7.30pm until 9pm in the Presbytery. If you wish to attend, please speak with Mrs Mary Clark or with one of the Clergy.

Each Thursday evening, from 7pm-8pm a Prayer Meeting takes place in the blue room of the Parish Hall. You are very welcome to attend. On Thursday 30th October, Parishioners from the four parishes of South Solihull Mission are invited for a Meeting at Olton Friary at 7pm. Do please come along as we seek to collaborate more closely together.

St Augustine's Community Café are next meeting on Monday 20th 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 200th Anniversary celebrations at URC on 1st & 2nd November 2025. Events start at 10am on 1st November and 2nd November. See poster of events in porch.

COMMUNITY NATIVITY EXHIBITION- 6th-7th December URC Solihull Warwick Road. See poster for details in porch.

Would you like to contribute a nativity scene to the display. See details in porch. **A day for Catechists** has been organised at St Ambrose Barlow Church on Saturday 25th October from 10am until 3.45pm. If you would like to attend, please speak with Father Dominic. **For news and events** across the Archdiocese please visit the diocesan website- such events include an Autumn Party at Alton Castle; Saturday 25th October; **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 after the half-term holiday. 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.

We welcome our First Holy Communion Candidates and their parents and families to the 9am Mass this Sunday for their enrolment into this Sacrament.

Offertory Collection last weekend: Gift Aid: £121:52 loose £1,015:74 Total: £1,137:26 Second Collection this weekend for Missio – Gift Aid envelopes available in the porch. 2nd Collection next weekend: Johnson Association

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

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 18 th Oct 12.30pm T Cund	Saturday 18 th October 12.30pm	Sunday 19 th October 9am
Sat 25 th Oct 12.30pm Bernard	R Wong/Ginny	M Coburn/J Powers
Sunday 19 th October 9am Enrolment		Sunday 19 th October 11am J Hickey
Yr 3 School		Sunday 26 th October 9am
Sunday 19 th October 11am R Noronha	Saturday 25 th October 12.30pm	J Sica/G Sica
Sunday 26 th October 9am C Ramsey	Ginny/J Wong	Sunday 26 th October 11am
Sunday 26 th October 11am C Hodrien		E Duffy

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.

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/ or email the Birmingham Centre Co-ordinator at birmingham.admin@marriagecare.org for signing up or enquiries.

SVP REQUESTS: IMPORTANT-Thank you so much to all who have donated items requested for men in need- they have been gratefully received. Still required: tee- shirts, jogging bottoms and hoodies (sizes S, M, L only) Brand- new: underwear/ socks. Also trainers sizes 8- 11 (41- 44) Other continued needs: Toiletries for male and female and non-perishable food. Please note that WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT ITEMS OTHER THAN THOSE ABOVE. With our appreciation- SVP St Augustine's: 07568 508271

18th October Saturday FEAST St Luke	Exodus 17:8-13 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2 Luke 18:1-8 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Peter Tickell-Intention Elizabeth Jane Taylor-Birthday	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm <i>Tea/Coffee available after Mass</i>
19th October TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME World Mission Day	Exodus 17:8-13 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2 Luke 18:1-8 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Irene Sutton- RIP 11.00am Paddy Ryan-RIP Maggie Keane-RIP	<i>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</i>
20th October Monday Feria in Ordinary Time	Roman 4:20-25 Luke 12:13-21 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Sheila Fahy-RIP Anne Mulroy-RIP	St Augustine's Community Café 11.30am-1.30pm
21st October Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time	Romans 5:12,15,17-21 Luke 12:35-38 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Cameron Hill-Intention Joseph Thura Rajah-RIP	Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am
22nd October Wednesday St John Paul II	Romans 6:12-18 Luke 12:39-48 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Othon Ferguson-RIP Josephine Eguno-RIP	Confession 11.30am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
23rd October Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time St John of Capestrano	Romans 6:19-23 Luke 12:49-53 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Kay Cutler-RIP Deacon Pat Flanagan-RIP	
24th October Friday St Anthony Mary Claret	Romans 7:18-25 Luke 12:54-59 Public & Live streamed Masses 10.00am Robin Easterby-RIP 6.30pm Sean Fitzmaurice-RIP	Holy Hour & Exposition 5.15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm
25th October Saturday	Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14,16-19 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Joseph Barreto-RIP Tony McLaughlin-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm <i>Tea/Coffee available after Mass</i>
26th October Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14,16-19 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Keating Family & Friends-Thanksgiving 11.00am All People of the Parish Trish Embley-RIP	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses

Prayers for Perseverance

*Dear Lord, when the challenges become overwhelming,
fortify my heart with resolve and determination.
Teach me patience as I await Your timing and will.
Help me to rest in the comfort of Your love,
assured that You carry me through each trial.
May I emerge from these experiences with renewed faith and strength.*

*Lord of all creation, in seasons of difficulty,
remind me of Your unchanging love.
Strengthen my spirit and sow seeds of perseverance within me.
Let my prayers reach Your heavenly throne,
bringing comfort to my heart as I journey forward.
With each step, may my faith deepen and bear witness
to Your enduring grace. Amen.*

Please pray for: Peter John Bates, Michael Donnelly, Alan Gorman, 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 Wagner M.M.M. Donald Platt and Anne Weir

Also, Rita Terry, Stella Gilbert, Patricia Mason, Jerzy (George) Stanislav Bartoszewicz, Broderick Anthony Light, Maria Teresa Barsby, Jean Kennedy, Mercedes Sancher, Renate Lehnen, James Walter Cooper, Edith Campbell, Kathy (Kathleen) Finnegan, Rose Woolard, Jimmy Greene, Evelyn Bedford, John Thomas Elliott 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 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 or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or 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.