

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday Year C 27th April 2025

Dear Parishioners, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. Jesus, our risen Lord, bestows His spirit on us. We believe even though we have not seen that He is our Lord and our God. We are apostles of the resurrection, and we now live the life of the spirit. This spirit is for mission. As the Father sent Christ so now, we are sent to preach the Good News to all men.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I unite with you in prayers of thanksgiving to God for the life and witness of Pope Francis; for the love and compassion that motivated his priestly vocation and for the 'revolution of tenderness' that marked his papacy. May the light of the risen Christ shine on him for ever.

We will offer Mass for Pope Francis this Wednesday, April 30th, at 7pm. Free car parking has been requested for the lower level of the Dominion Car Park.

Thank you for your prayerful participation in the Holy Week Services. It has been a beautiful time and so many of you have contributed to making it so.

Thank you for your generous Easter Offerings; for your offering of Mass, your prayers and gifts. We are very appreciative.

We wish our parents, pupils and staff a very blessed and fruitful Summer Term and look forward to our special celebrations together; to our First Holy Communion celebrations on the weekend of 17th and 18th May and to the Sacrament of Confirmation on 23rd June.

The next baptismal preparation will take place on Thursday 8th May between 7.30pm-9pm. All are welcome. If you wish to attend, please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

I will be travelling to Lourdes on 22nd May with the Fellowship Group and three of our Parishioners. If you would like me to bring any petitions with me, I would be happy to do so.

Please note that on Wednesday and Thursday Mass will be celebrated at 12.00 midday.

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 27th April 3.00pm Bilingual Mass. We welcome Bishop David Evans for this occasion. Light refreshments will be served after Mass.

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

St Augustine's Community Café- Next Meeting Monday 19th May.

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.

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.

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.

Fundraising Quiz Night for the Carlo Acutis Youth Group Quiz Night Fundraiser – Friday 9th May (instead of both Youth Groups) Olton Friary | 7:30PM start Our Youth Group is hosting a fundraising quiz night—and it's open to everyone! The quiz is mainly geared towards adults, but all are welcome. Teams of up to 6 – gather your crew, bring your brains, and come along for a fun night in support of our amazing youth group.

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	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	Delbert Manorina	Breda Fleming	Pat Hurst	Andrea Cadman
Father Michael White	Father Tony Rohan	Eve	Benjamin Wort	Patrick Hickey	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 3 rd May 12.30pm Bernard	Saturday 26 th April 12.30pm A Kelly/	Sunday 27 th April 11.00am
Saturday 10 th May 12.30pm T Duffy	J Wong	A Kelly
Sunday May 4 th 9am MC Barbour	Sunday 27 th April 9am J Powers/	Sunday 4 th May 9.00am
Sunday May 4 th 11am E Young	G Sica	M Hallissey/ J Sica
Sunday 11 th May 9am Uchechi	Saturday 3 rd May Saturday 12.30pm	Sunday 4 th May 11.00am
Sunday 11 th May 11am H Cettler	Jinny/R Wong	E Duffy

We Believe, 25th-28th July 2025, a festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of **St Mary's College, Oscott**, Sutton Coldfield. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Mgr Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more. Pilgrim-attendees can choose to come for the whole weekend (camping, staying locally or coming from home) at an adult Early Bird rate of £70, or for a day for £40. Early Bird Tickets available now at www.webelievefestival.com

EASTER 2025; OUR FRIENDS IN NEED- Thank you for your generosity this 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 meat, UHT milk and juice, basmati rice, pot noodle, tinned rice pudding, tea bags, coffee and sugar, tinned fruit, custard pots. Can you help? For more information, please contact the SVP- 07568 508271 Collection of items can be arranged is required.

26th April Saturday	Acts 5:12-16 Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19 John 20:19-31 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Maureen Collins-RIP Simon Jones-RIP	Confessions 11am-12.00pm <i>Tea/Coffee available after Mass</i>
27th April SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	Acts 5:12-16 Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19 John 20:19-31 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am All People of the Parish 11.00am Helen Treanor-RIP Frances & Martin O'Regan	<i>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</i> 
28th April Monday Solemnity of St George Patron of England Transferred from 23 rd April	Apocalypse 12:10-12 28:8-15 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Eddie & Anne Dunlea David Smith KGCHS-Intention	
29th April Tuesday FEAST St Catherine of Siena Patron of Europe Day of Prayer for Europe	1 John 1:5-2:2 Matthew 11:25-30 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Lisa Muckey Margaret Toal-RIP	Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am
30th April Wednesday Easter Feria St Pius V	Acts 5:17-26 John 3:16-21 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Martina O'Regan Anne White RIP & Deacon Ernie Titchmarch-RIP 7.00pm Pope Francis-RIP	Confession 11.15am-11.45am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
1st May Thursday Easter Feria St Joseph the Worker	Acts 5:27-33 Matthew 13:54-58 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Silva Walton-Intention Denis McGrory-Intention	
2nd May Friday St Athanasius	Acts 5:34-42 John 6:1-15 Public & Live streamed Masses 10.00am Deceased Members of the Farrell Family 6.30pm Margaret & Tom-Special Intention	Holy Hour & Exposition 5.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm
3rd May Saturday FEAST Ss Philip and James	Acts 5:27-32,40-41 Apocalypse 5:11-14 John 21:1-19 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Bill Nerney-RIP Robert Douglas Walton-Birthday	Tea & Coffee available after Mass
4th May Third Sunday of Easter	Acts 5:27-32,40-41 Apocalypse 5:11-14 John 21:1-19 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Celine McMahon-RIP 11.00am All People of the Parish Deacon James-Forde-Johnson	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses

Prayer for Pope Francis

O God, faithful rewarder of souls,
grant that your departed servant Pope Francis, whom you made successor of Peter
and shepherd of your Church, may happily enjoy for ever in your presence in heaven
the mysteries of your grace and compassion, which he faithfully ministered on earth.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen. Eternal rest, grant unto him O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him.
May he rest in peace. Amen.

Psalms 120

I lift up my eyes to the mountains:
from where shall come my help?
My help shall come from the Lord
who made heaven and earth.

2. May he never allow you to stumble!
Let him sleep not your guard.
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,
Israel's guard.

3. The Lord is your guard and your shade;
at your right side he stands.
By day the sun shall not smite you
nor the moon in the night.

4. The Lord will guard you from evil,
he will guard your soul.
The Lord will guard your going and coming
both now and for ever.

Please pray for: Pope Francis, Wayne O'Neill (Requiem Friday 9th May 1.30pm) Father Fred Sheldon, Samuel Robinson, Michael Costello, Maha Eraifej, Deacon Pat Flanagan, Desmond Duffy, Thomas D Ward, Angela Lloyd, Trish Embley, Philomena Barreto, Angela Duffy, Josephine Egonu, Eileen Horsburgh, Christopher Morgan-Cettler and Joseph Leyden who died recently.

Also, Anatol Power, Annie Slattery, Victor Abell, Mary Burt, Mary Helen Treanor, Nora Christina McCann, John Tipping, James McDermott, Doreen Bertha Hughes, Vincent Lynch, Albert Eric Newman, Ann Tyndall, Jonathan Buckley, Mary & Thomas Moran, Alfred Baker, Marian Webster, Sheila Anne Green, Patrick Ryan, Mary Hannah Murphy, Pamela Smith 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.

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