

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 27th February 2022

Dear Parishioners,

'The test of a person is in their conversation. Our words flow from what is in our heart. If we are filled with the love of God then we will judge mercifully. Too often we are negative in our criticisms of the petty faults of others forgetting that we too are imperfect. We need to turn to Christ in our weakness, never admitting defeat, knowing that in the Lord we can never labour in vain.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: 'Dear Parishioners, Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I, look forward to our 'Walking Together' this Season of Lent. This Wednesday, Ash Wednesday, marks the beginning of this great Season. Ash Wednesday is a day of Fasting and Abstaining from meat. Mass will be celebrated at 10am; 12.30pm and 7pm. For the 7pm Mass we have requested free car parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park. One of the hymns for Lent has the following words:

'The day is come, the accepted day, when grace like nature flowers anew. Trained by thy hand, the surer way. Rejoice we in our spring time too.'

Stations of the Cross will take place in Church on Wednesdays at 11am, in time for the 11.30am Mass, apart from when there may be a funeral.


This weekend we will have a Pastoral Letter from the Archbishop. Copies will be available in both porches.

CAFOD are inviting us to 'WALK AGAINST HUNGER' during Lent. One suggestion is that each Sunday during Lent we organise a 5km walk starting at 2pm from St Augustine's. Would any parishioner be willing to help organise the Walk? The Walk could include stopping for refreshments along the way. Those participating in the Walk are encouraged to obtain sponsorship for CAFOD's Lenten Campaign.

Next weekend a member of CAFOD will speak at the Masses in preparation for CAFOD's Family Fast Day.

At the end of this month, we will cease to use the Eventbrite booking system and will cease requesting your details when you arrive for Mass. Thankfully, we will continue to have our Stewards to welcome you as you arrive. You will be able to use both porches for entering and leaving Church.

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<p>26th February Saturday</p>	<p>Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 Luke 6:39-45 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Sarah Dennison-RIP Mr & Mrs Halleron-RIP</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 11.45am-12.30pm Mass Confession 11.45am-12.15pm</p>
<p>27th February EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Day for the Unemployed</p>	<p>Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 Luke 6:39-45 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am Michael & Margaret Fitzmaurice 11.00am Ernesto Dizon-RIP</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 10.30am Confessions 10.30am-10.45am Tea/Coffee available after each Mass</p>
<p>28th February Monday Feria in Ordinary Time St Oswald</p>	<p>1 Peter 1:3-9 Mark 10:17-27 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Special Intention Albert Manorina-Intention</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer After 10am Mass until 11.30am</p>
<p>1st March Tuesday FEAST St David, Patron of Wales</p>	<p>Philippians 3:8-14 Matthew 5:13-16 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Michael O'Doherty-RIP Catherine Coyle-RIP</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer After 10am Mass until 11.30</p>
<p>2nd March Ash Wednesday  Day of Fast & Abstinence</p>	<p>Joel 2:12-18 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 Public & Live streamed Mass 10am Eilish, Tony Duffy & Family-Intentions 12.30pm Eileen Bloomer-RIP 7pm J.C. Manorina-Intention</p>	<p>Private Prayer & Confession 10.45am-11.15am Lectio Divina' at 7.30pm To join in the Meeting please email Helen Brookes who will forward you the link to join the Meeting. Helen's email: ehb73@yahoo.co.uk</p>
<p>3rd March Thursday After Ash Wednesday</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Luke 9:22-25 10.00am Public and Live streamed Mass Bernie Day-Intention Michelle Gardener-Intention</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer After 10am Mass until 11.30am</p>
<p>4th March Friday After Ash Wednesday Women's World Day of Prayer</p>	<p>10am Requiem John James Green Isaiah 58:1-9 Matthew 9:14-15 Public and Live streamed Mass 6.30pm Paddy, Lil & Michael Shields-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm Church open for Private Prayer 5.15pm-6.15pm & up until 6.30pm Mass</p>
<p>5th March Saturday</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Romans 10:8-13 Luke 4:1-13 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Gerry Bree-RIP Michael Colman-RIP</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 11.45am-12.30pm Mass Confession 11.45am-12.15pm</p>
<p>6th March First Sunday of Lent</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Romans 10:8-13 Luke 4:1-13 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am All People of the Parish 11.00am Bernadette Hoarsey-RIP</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 10.30am Tea/Coffee available after each Mass</p>

Please continue to wear face coverings and to sanitize your hands when entering and leaving Church. Holy Water will be available for you to bless yourselves but please try to sanitize your hands before blessing yourself with Holy Water. **We will return to normal** seating arrangements but will keep the section of benches nearest to the main porch for those who wish to maintain social distance. There is much to thank God for as we move forward and restrictions are eased. Special thanks to James Oliver for managing the Eventbrite booking system for almost two years. Heartfelt thanks to the Covid working group who have made such a sustained effort to keep the Church environment safe, so that we have been able to gather for Mass. Do please continue to be aware of one another's needs and to continue to help create a safe environment for one another.

Please do try to book Masses well in advance especially if you are requesting a specific date.

Father Fred Sheldon celebrates the Golden Jubilee of his Priesthood on March 18th. If you would like to send him a card his address is: St Joseph's Residential Care Home, Gerard's Way, Coleshill, B46 3EA

We would welcome some more volunteers to help with cleaning the Church after the Wednesday Mass. If you are able to help please let the cleaners know.

The main porch will be open for private prayer throughout the morning and afternoon each day. The double doors going into the main part of the Church will remain locked. However, the Tabernacle is in clear view from the main porch and seats and a kneeler will be there for you to use. We hope that if you are passing by you will pop into say a prayer.

World Day of Prayer 2022 4th March International material prepared by England, Wales & Northern Ireland CHURCHES TOGETHER IN CENTRAL SOLIHULL ask you to please join people around the world in prayer on Friday 4th March at Solihull United Reformed Church between 10am—2.30pm Parking off Union Road B91 3DH
Archdiocese of Birmingham St Francis' Catholic Primary School Nursery Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, B19 1PH Headteacher Group 3 ISR L 18-24 Required from September 2022 nformal visits to the school are welcome and will be conducted on Thursday 3rd March, by the Chair of Governors. To visit, please contact the Chair, Mr Nigel Smith, n.smith@stfranrc.bham.sch.uk The full application pack, including the required Catholic Education application form and supplementary forms, are available from the vacancy page at www.stfranrc.bham.sch.uk
 Closing Date: Friday 11th March 2022 Applications to: recruitment@stfranrc.bham.sch.uk Interviews: to be held on Wednesday 23rd March /Thursday 24th March 2022

READERS

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 26 th February T. Duffy	Sunday 27 th February 9am	Sunday 27 th February 11am
Saturday 5 th March N.Pereira	A.Keating	B.Ngala
Sunday 27 th February 9am	Sunday 6 th March 9am	Sunday 6 th March 11am
N.Pereira	T.Nettikkadan	E.Duffy
Sunday 27 th February 11am	Sunday 13 th March 9am	Sunday 6 th March 11am
M.Watts	M.Coburn	A.Kelly
Sunday 6 th March 9am	Sunday 20 th March 9am	Sunday 20 th March 11am
Finbarr,Cormac,Joe	H.Cettler	J.Hicky
Sunday 6 th March 11am		
H.Cettler		

ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL Whitefields Road, Solihull, B91 3NZ Tel: 0121 705 3988 **Site Assistant** required. Closing date: Monday 28th February 2022 Start date: ASAP An Application Form and further details are available from the School Website. For further information please contact Mrs Jennie Pate, on 07884 753592 or patej@st-peters.solihull.sch.uk

Offertory Collection: 20th February Gift Aid:£155:12 Loose:£477:29 Total £632:41 Standing orders for December :£1,741 January £2,104 Second collection next weekend- Cathedral maintenance

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish,	Tony Duffy	Fr Fred Sheldon	Mary Ryan	William Moran
Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Esther Brasil	Anne Deary
Trevor Windle	Danny Meadows	John Doyle	Dan Doyle	Kevin McDaid	Sue Hodrien
Patricia Mann	Paul Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	John White
Diane Burgess	Kathleen Clark	Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans	Roisin Brown	Gillian Jones
James Brown	John McCarthy	Kath Reidy	Noreen O'Connor	Mary Johnson	Joanne Moss
Christopher Edmund Poole		for protection and	peace in the Mbag Family	Eve	Steve Bates
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Amanda Stellfox	Thelma Cole	Molly Saunders	Catherine Walton
Roger Cox	Eileen Nolan	Keith Ritchie			

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is discord, harmony;
Where there is error, truth;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master, Grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born into eternal life.

- St. Francis of Assisi

Prayer for Peace

O God, Creator of the universe, who extends your paternal concern over every creature and guides the events of history to goals of salvation, we acknowledge your Fatherly love when you break the resistance of mankind and, in a world torn by strife and discord, you make us ready for reconciliation. Renew for us the wonders of your MERCY; send forth your Spirit that He may work in the intimacy of our hearts, that enemies may begin to dialogue, that adversaries may shake hands and peoples may encounter one another in harmony. May all commit themselves to the sincere search for true peace, which will extinguish all arguments, for charity, which overcomes hatred, for pardon, which disarms revenge.

- Pope John Paul II

Please pray for: John James Green (Requiem 4th March 10am) Robert Maskell (Service Robin Hood Chapel 12.30pm 4th March), Phelim Gerard McCabe (Philip) (Wednesday 9th March 10am), Margaret Hedges (Requiem Friday 11th March 12.15pm; Reception Thursday 10th March 4.30pm) Carol Akel (Requiem Thursday 24th March 10am) Monsignor John Heslin, Father Gabriel Maguire CSsR and Father David Lloyd who died recently.

Also, Frank McGuinness, Mary Agnes Service, John Francis Mitchell, Leslie Hawkesford, Thomas Anthony Masterson, Veronica Patricia Taylor, Desmond Cushenan, Sarah Caroline Dennison, Hildegard Barbara Lynch, Sheila Ann Harrison, Margaret Mary Possart, Margaret Wallace, William (Bill) Michael Burton, Robert Jones, Frank Alexander Patrick Barwell and all with anniversaries at this time.

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