

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 28th September 2025

Dear Parishioners, 'The rich and the poor. Christ drives home the dangers of inequality in the distribution of wealth. The rich man will be punished in the next life because of his indifference to the poor man who lay hungry at the gate of his house. Luxury and holiness are very rarely found together. We must share our goods just as we are obliged to try to share our faith in Christ with others through the manner in which we live our lives.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: This weekend Father Hudson's Caritas are making their annual appeal to support them in their care of vulnerable children and adults across the Archdiocese.

Please pray for Finley, Rae and Frank Kavanagh, who are to be baptised into the family of the Church this Sunday.

The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 16th October between 7.30pm-9pm. If you would like to attend, please contact Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

Please note on Thursday 2nd October there will be a Holy Hour by Candlelight for the Jubilee Year. Pope Leo has asked us to pray daily, the Rosary in October for Peace- personally, in the family and in the community, inviting us to share with others, 'the love of Jesus that illumines and lifts up humanity.'

Olton Friary have begun a series of Meetings-'Journey of Faith' for those who wish to know more about the Catholic Faith. They take place on a Monday evening between 7.30-9.30pm, in the lounge at the Friary. Rather than I running a similar 'Journey of Faith', I would like to encourage our own Parishioners and others interested, to attend these Meetings, at the Friary. Please arrive at 7.20pm at the main entrance. Please let Father Dominic know if you wish to attend.

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, either as a Catholic or non-Catholic, please speak with Father Dominic. **A new Course for adult** Catechesis in Cantonese is being prepared for those who seek to join the Catholic Church. The Meetings will take place at St Mary's Harborne, they started on 4th September continuing every Thursday between 7.30pm-8.45pm. For further details please see posters in Church.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation preparation for children who do not attend a Catholic School will begin later this term. For those youngsters who wish to be prepared for these Sacraments, please would their parents contact the presbytery.

Our prayerful congratulations to Chris and Sue Hodrien who celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary at this time. Ad Multos Annos!

The United Reform Church, Warwick Road are celebrating their 200th Anniversary on 1st and 2nd November. You are warmly invited to attend the celebrations over the weekend. If you would like to attend and wish to have further details, please speak with Bernadette the Parish Secretary, or with Father Dominic. An early reply would be appreciated.

Offertory Collection last weekend: Gift Aid £226:42 loose £884:54 Total: £1,110:96 Second Collection last weekend: Catholic Evangelisation : £417:39 Collection this weekend: Fr Hudson's Society 2nd Collection next weekend CAFOD Harvest Fast

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					

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READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sat 27 th Sept 12.30pm T Cund	Saturday 27 th September 12.30pm	Sunday 28 th September 9am
Sat 4 th Oct 12.30pm Bernard	R Wong/ Ginny	J Powers/ G Sica
Sunday 28 th Sept 9am T Choi	Saturday 4 th October 12.30pm	Sunday 28 th September 11am A Kelly
Sunday 28 th Sept 11am M Watts	R Wong/R Wong	Sunday 5 th October 9am
Sunday 5 th October 9am Enrolment		M Coburn/M Hallissey
Yr 6 School		Sunday 5 th October 11am E Duffy
Sunday 5 th October 11am E Young		

OSCOTT COLLEGE- Organ Recital-Sunday 5th October 3pm. Professor David Saint. Also, Oscott Guided Tours; tickets can be booked at <https://www.oscott.org/events> Cost inclusive of cake & tea £17.50. See posters in porch for both events.


'Bereavement Group - Upcoming dates-'Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Meeting Room. Wednesdays 10:45am 2025: Wed 8th October, 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 15th & 29th September, 13th & 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.

URGENTLY NEEDED: MORE CASUAL CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR, UNDERWEAR & TOILETRIES FOR MEN 18- 40 Can you help? Weekly requirements for men locally in- need are now exceeding what we have available. SVP are collecting items on behalf of St Augustine's. Information contact: 07568 508271

FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD! Urgently needed for depleted supplies in St Augustine's SVP cupboard. Can you help? In- date UHT Milk, UHT Juice, tinned meals, tinned tuna, tinned fruit and rice, packet mash and pasta, dried brown rice, biscuits, crisps. Toiletries suitable for all. No perishables/ fresh items. Bags/ boxes FAO St Augustine's SVP to either porch. Thank you!

CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal this Harvest Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Waré's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at www.cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFOD to 70560 to donate £10.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE- 6th December-1.30pm-4pm. If anyone would like to run a Christmas stall or a food stall, please let Annette Kelly know- 0121 705 0228. We will have a Meeting 2nd November after 11am Mass in the Parish Hall.

<p>27th September Saturday</p> <p>St Vincent de Paul</p>	<p>Amos 6:1, 4-7 Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Brian Lynch-RIP Karen Beale</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass</p>
<p>28th September</p> <p>TWENTY- SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>Day of Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Harvest</p>	<p>Amos 6:1, 4-7 Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Alan Fitzgerald 11.00am Guy Pattinson-RIP Robin Easterby-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>
<p>29th September Monday</p> <p>FEAST Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael</p>	<p>Daniel 7:9-10,13-14 OR Apocalypse 12:7-12 John 1:47-51 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Kate McNamara-Intentions</p>	
<p>30th September Tuesday</p> <p>St Jerome</p>	<p>Zechariah 8:20-23 Luke 9:51-56 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Eugene & Anna O'Donnell-RIP</p>	<p>Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am</p>
<p>1st October Wednesday</p> <p>St Therese of the Child Jesus Patron Saint of France & the Missions</p>	<p>Nehemiah 2:1-8 Luke 9:57-62 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Bernard Adkins-RIP</p>	<p>Confession 11.30am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk</p>
<p>2nd October Thursday</p> <p>Holy Guardian Angels</p>	<p>Nehemiah 8:1-12 Matthew 18:1-5,10 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Bridget Ward-Intentions</p>	<p>Holy Hour by Candlelight 6.15-7.15pm</p>
<p>3rd October Friday</p> <p>Feria in Ordinary Time St Thomas Cantilupe</p>	<p>Baruch 1:15-22 Luke 10:17-24 Public & Live streamed Masses 10.00am Lena & Faker Eraifej & Family 6.30pm Anne Sheahan-Intentions-90th Birthday</p>	<p>Holy Hour & Exposition 5.15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm</p>
<p>4th October Saturday</p> <p>St Francis of Assisi</p> <p>'Preach the Gospel at all times and, if necessary, use words.'</p>	<p>Habakkuk 1:2-3,2:2-4 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke 17: 5-10 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm All People of the Parish Maureen Collard-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass</p>
<p>5th October</p> <p>Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Habakkuk 1:2-3,2:2-4 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke 17: 5-10 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am All People of the Parish 11.00am Mary Ryan-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>

A Prayer for Priestly Vocations

O Lord, my God, You renew the Church in every age
by raising up priests outstanding in holiness,
living witnesses of Your unchanging Love.
In Your Plan for our salvation, You provide shepherds for Your people.
Fill the hearts of young men with the spirit of courage
and love that they may answer Your call generously.
Give parents the grace to encourage vocations
in their family by prayer and good example.
Raise up worthy priests for Your Altars
and ardent, but gentle servants of the Gospel.
Give the Church more priests
and keep them faithful in their love and service.
May many young men choose to serve You
by devoting themselves to the service of Your people. Amen.

Please pray for: Michael Donnelly, 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 Magner M.M.M.

Also, David George Heap, Ellen Sanderson, Anna O'Donnell, Robert Haley, Veronique Marie Galbraith, Michael Jerome Callaghan, Gloria Doorn, Norah Avery 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.

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

OLTON FRIARY- To raise funds to repair the Church organ a concert at the Friary. The concert is 'A Wonderful World', an exciting event on Saturday 4th October 2025, 7.30 at Olton Friary, in the Church. Hear fabulous music from across the world, played by our own amazing organist Gerry Poole, and a special guest organist Pavlos Triantaris. Also listen to beautiful solos, the church choir and prepare to be amazed by a dance cabaret of ballroom dancing. Tickets £12 per person, under 12s are free. Refreshments served after the concert in the Church Hall.

To book your tickets or for more information please contact Geraldine Gnych geraldine.gnych@oltonfriary.org.uk

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.

Mr James Oliver has organised a 5km Parish Walk on Sunday 28th September at 2pm. All are welcome. Leaving from the car park.

Men's Rosary in the City Saturday 4th October 12.00 - Chamberlain Square by the fountain We are called to be a shining light in the darkness and to be a witness to all nations. Join a growing movement of men who peacefully go into the heart of Birmingham and kneel in front of a statue of Our Lady to pray for our city, nation, and for men to live out their God given vocation as protector, defender and servant. For more information contact Ben – 07885505116

Would any of our young Parishioners, aged 16+ wish to train as a youth leader? If so, please speak with one of the Clergy.