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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT YEAR C 13th March 2016

Dear Parishioners,

'The lord who forgives. Christ came to show compassion and forgiveness for sinners. He condemned sin but let the woman guilty of adultery go free with the reminder that she was to sin no more. None of us is perfect since we can only hope that we will be saved. We suffer in this life but we can accept the loss of everything as so much rubbish if only we can have Christ and be given a share in His resurrection. In this way God, through Christ, is doing something new and is calling us from sinfulness to a life of service.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal).

This weekend we welcome Julio and Leonardo from the Christian Life Movement in Petropolis, Brazil. They will speak to us about their movement and ask our help. There will be a bucket collection at the end of each Mass; also the young people will be helping to serve refreshments in the Parish hall, again after each mass.

Thank you for your generous support of the 24 Hours for the Lord on Friday 4th and Saturday 5th March. It was a beautiful two days and no doubt brought much joy to our Lord.

Dementia Awareness Week runs from the 12th to 19th March. It is organised by the Pastoral Care Project and some very useful resources may be found on its website. www.pastoralcareproject.org.uk

The Mission of the Pastoral Care project is: 'To raise awareness of the spiritual needs of the frail elderly, enabling carers to support them in their journey to the fullness of life.'

We have produced a separate sheet for Holy Week and Easter (lilac coloured) which is available this weekend. **Please note that the Mothers' Prayers Group** are leading us in the Stations of the Cross this Monday, March 14th at 8pm in Church. All are welcome.

We are very grateful to Father Gerry Neylon for his help at this time. Father Gerry is giving a Talk in the Parish Hall this Wednesday, March 16th, at 7.30pm. The subject of the Talk is about the presence of the Church in China. It will be well worth attending and we have requested free car-parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car-Park.

We will be holding a Penance Service on Thursday 17th March at 7pm here at St Augustine's Church. Please take this opportunity of celebrating the Sacrament of Mercy. We will have the help of neighbouring priests. **The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** takes place from Saturday 28th May until Friday 3rd June 2016. The cost by coach is from £407 and by air from £695. If you are wishing to travel please speak to the Clergy. Details are on the notice board in the side porch. A pilgrimage to the Holy Land is taking place from the 5th to 13th September 2016. Geoff and Irene Dorrett from Sutton Coldfield are arranging it. Please see poster in porch.

<p align="center">Saturday 12th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>Jeremiah 11:18-20 John 7:40-52 9.00am Theresa Lynch Keegan-RIP Isaiah 43:16-21 Philippians 3:8-14 John 8:1-11</p> <p>12.30pm Michael Hyland-RIP</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p align="center">Sunday 13th March FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT</p>	<p>Isaiah 43:16-21 Philippians 3:8-14 John 8:1-11</p> <p>9.00am Finbarr Byrne RIP & Alistair Ogg-RIP</p> <p>11.00am Ambrose Lobo-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9.00am and 11.00am Masses</p>
<p align="center">Monday 14th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>Daniel 13:41-62 John 8:12-20 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Maurice & Eileen Long & Deceased Family Members</p>	<p>Pre School 9.00am-12.45pm Mothers' Prayers group-stations of the Cross- 8.00pm</p>
<p align="center">Tuesday 15th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>Numbers 21:4-9 John 8:21-30 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Patrick Spillane-RIP</p>	<p>Pre School 9.00am-12.45pm</p> <p>Legion of Mary 6.30pm Youth Group 7.00-9.00pm</p>
<p align="center">Wednesday 16th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>Daniel 3:14-20,24-25 John 5:17-30 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Marie & Seamus Gavney-Intention</p>	<p>Moms & Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.15am Rainbows 4.30pm-5.50pm Brownies 5.45pm-7.30pm</p>
<p align="center">Thursday 17th March FEAST St Patrick Patron of Ireland</p>	<p>Jeremiah 1:4-9 Luke 10:1-12,17-20 9.05am The Rosary 9.30am Requiem –Hildegarde Lynch 12.30pm George Hadcock-RIP 7.00pm Penance Service</p>	<p>Pre School 9.00am-12.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10am Mass until 12.30pm</p>
<p align="center">Friday 18th March Lent Feria St Cyril of Jerusalem</p>	<p>Jeremiah 20:10-13 John 10:31-42 9.25am The Rosary 10.00am Father Sean-RIP(E.D.) 6.30pm Mary Christie</p>	<p>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10.00am Mass until 12.30pm Holy Hour 5.00pm-6.00pm, Stations of the Cross at 6.00pm followed by Mass at 6.30pm</p>
<p align="center">Saturday 19th March SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</p>	<p>2 Samuel 7:4-5,12-14,16 Romans 4:13,16-18,22 Matthew 1:16,18-21 OR Luke 2:41-51 9.00am Ellen Shinton-RIP Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Luke 22:14-23:1-49</p> <p>12.30pm Michael Hyland-RIP</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon</p> <p>Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p align="center">Sunday 20th March Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</p>	<p>Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Luke 22:14-23:1-49</p> <p>9.00am Frances Davis-RIP</p> <p>11.00am Garvey Family-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both 9.00am and 11.00am Masses</p>

Offertory Collection last week : £283.30 (Gift Aid £955.23 Loose £1238.53)

Second Collection last Sunday: Cathedral maintenance: £605:69

Your Parish Magazine needs you! For the next edition of our Parish Magazine; The Augustinian; You can contact me by e-mail at gerard.burgess@tiscli.co.uk or you can hand over material to any of the priests, (please mark it for my attention).

THE CHURCH IN CHINA – A MISSIONARY PERSPECTIVE Fr. Gerry Neylon is a Columban missionary priest who has spent many years as a companion to the Catholic Church in China. All are welcome to St. Augustine's RC Church, Solihull on Wednesday 16th March at 7.30pm for the rare chance to hear Fr. Gerry talk about what life is like for Catholics in China, where the Columbans first went as missionaries in 1920. Free entry. No ticket required. Enquiries to 01564 772 096 or office@columbans.co.uk See poster in porch

This year's St Basils Solihull Sleep Out is taking place on Friday 29th April in the covered car park of the Renewal Church on Lode Lane in Solihull. It will still be the usual challenging fundraiser to prevent youth homelessness in Solihull, BUT because it is under cover it WON'T BE WET! It will also make for an unusual setting, and we like those for our sleep outs. St Basils does outstanding work in this area to prevent youth homelessness and it would be great if you would think about supporting us by taking part and even better if you could encourage a few others to join in as well. You can register at www.stbasils.org.uk/solihullsleepout or phone me directly on 0121 772 9623.

THE COURAGE OF MERCY TAIZE WEEKEND FOR YOUNG ADULTS-16th-17th April. A weekend of prayer, Bible study, discussion and social time for young adults aged 15-35 years. Held at St Chad's Cathedral, Carrs Lane Church, and St Martin's in the Bullring. For information- taizebirmingham.wordpress.com or email taizebirmingham@gmail.com

NEW GIFT AID AND NON GIFT AID BOXES- available in the main porch please take your set of envelopes. If you wish to become part of the Gift Aid scheme and you are a taxpayer please call into the Sacristy for a form.

Readers this week	Eucharistic Ministers this week
Sunday 9.00am Bernard McHale <i>Michael Keating</i> 11.00am Mary Clark Maria Marsay	Sunday 9.00am Angela Keating & Mary Deneny <i>Angela Keating & Mary Deneny</i> 11.00am Helen Brookes Helen Brookes
Cleaning Rota: for week beginning March 14th Services March 19th & 20th-B Monica Green Bernadette Rourke Flower Rota: No flowers during Lent	

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish

Jayne Hemming	Brian Jones	Anne White	Joseph Lockington
Peter Griffin	Clare Farmer	James Farmer	Kathleen McLoughlin
Martha Sheridan	Katie Kelly	Patricia Jones	Eilish Duffy
Mick Green	Rose Walsh	Susanna Gordon	Janet Dodman
Christopher Browne	Kate McAvinney	Sarah Maloney	John Balder
Ann Marie Boyd	Kathy Stead	Amando Tenorio	Heath Balder
Maureen McLoughlin	Louisa and Nick	Chris Lawton	Margaret Kelly
Angela D'Arcy	Joseph Farmer	Peggy Roper	Therese Coulton
Baby Lily Day	Aidan, Michael and Patrick O'Donnell	Martin and Rita McDonnell	
Susanna Gordon	Andrew Simpson	John Keaney	Sally & Maddy
Raymond Shenstone	Bernadette Day	Norman Hart	Glen Hughes
Cornelius Callanan	Ray Nicholson	Michael Cassidy	Finbarr Herron
Megan Jean Zarebski			

The national Dementia Prayer Week© 12-19th March 2015 organised by the Pastoral Care Project is an invitation to everyone to pray for and with those who live among us with dementia. This is the Pastoral Care Project's annual appeal for prayer and for almsgiving which is vital for the continuity of their charitable work,

Recent statistics indicate that there are over 820,000 people in the UK with dementia and an estimated 40,000 are younger people.

Bishop David McGough Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham and Lead Bishop to the Pastoral Care Project writes:

“Dear Friends, I warmly recommend to you Dementia – Prayer Week 12 – 19th March 2015. Dementia is a degenerative disease which tends to isolate both the sufferer and the families that surround them. Confronted with this condition we naturally feel inadequate.

Prayer is one very powerful way of connecting with all concerned. Let us pray for and with those whose lives have been touched by dementia. In this way we unite ourselves with them, forging a link with the Lord that words alone cannot express.

One of my own lasting links with my mother in her final months was to share with her the Hail Mary. Dementia had robbed her of many links with the past, but prayer endured as a living link to the end. Let this Dementia – Prayer Week become your link to the many families struggling with dementia.”

Prayer for Healthcare Professionals ©

O Lord we pray for all those whose work is dedicated to the assessment and care of those who experience confusion and profound memory loss.

For all who work as Healthcare Professionals in everyday care and research into the causes of Dementia of many kinds.

May they be strengthened in their work of service with individuals, families and friends.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Written by Rev'd Canon Edward Pogmore, Chaplain

Please pray for: Hildegard Lynch (Requiem Thursday 17th March 9.30am) who died recently. Also Walter Ashley, Ronald Morgan, Joan Olive Western, Mary McCormack, Ellen Ennis, Joseph Miller, Winifred Black, Alma O'Dwyer, Paul Willett and Ellen Shinton whose anniversaries are at this time.

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