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**Fr Dominic Kavanagh   Fr Frank Smith   Father Andrew McCann**

**FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT   YEAR A 30th November 2014**

**Dear Parishioners,**

‘Stay awake. Advent is a time of waiting and watching for the Lord Jesus. The Holy Spirit is our constant help that we may always be on our guard and remain awake so that we are prepared for the last day. The best preparation is a good life lived in the knowledge that God is our Father and we are the work of His hands.’ (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

The baptismal preparation evenings for December will take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

We welcome to the 9am Mass this Sunday morning the parents and Children who are to be enrolled for their First Holy Communion.

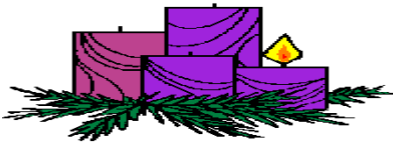

We are delighted to tell you that our Parish Primary School of St Augustine’s have good news from their recent Ofsted Inspection. They have been graded as ‘Outstanding’ in all the five key areas. We all join together in congratulating our pupils, all staff members and our Headteacher. May the Lord who has begun this good work in them bring it to perfection. We now eagerly await the results of St Peter’s recent R.E. and Ofsted Inspection.

This Sunday afternoon, November 30<sup>th</sup>, we will have the Blessing of the Crib and a Carol Service in Mell Square at 3pm. Do please make an effort to come along and join with other Christians for this Service.

We welcome St Augustine’s pupils, teachers and parents to the Nativity Play which will be held in Church on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to attend and we will request free car-parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park for this Concert and Play.

The second of our Advent ‘Journeying Together In Faith’ Meetings will take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. The Meeting will be led by Father Jim Fleming, a Columban Father, and you are all very welcome.

You are welcome to attend the Archbishop Romero Lecture at St Chad’s Cathedral in Birmingham. It will be given by Archbishop Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm. Details at- [romerotrust@btinternet.com](mailto:romerotrust@btinternet.com)

<p><b>Saturday 29th November</b> <b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b></p> <p>Father Peter Stonier</p>	<p><b>Apocalypse 22:1-7</b>      <b>Luke 21:34-36</b>  <b>9.00am</b> Holy Souls-Novena of Masses  <b>Isaiah 63:16-17,64:1,3-8</b>  <b>1 Corinthians 1:3-9</b>      <b>Mark 13:33-37</b>  <b>12.30pm</b> Martin Fox-RIP  <b>6.00pm</b> Parents of Frank &amp; Mary Miller-RIP</p>	<p><b>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon</b>  <b>Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday 30th November</b> <b>FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT</b></p>  <p>Father Romuald Szczodrowski</p>	<p><b>Isaiah 63:16-17,64:1,3-8</b>  <b>1 Corinthians 1:3-9</b>      <b>Mark 13:33-37</b></p> <p><b>9.00am</b> Thomas Herraty-RIP  <b>11.00am</b> Catherine Newman-RIP</p>	<p><b>Tea/Coffee available after 9.00am and 11.00am Masses</b></p>
<p><b>Monday 1st December</b> <b>FEAST</b> <b>St Edmund Campion</b> Father Craig Szmidt</p>	<p><b>1 Corinthians 4:9-13</b>      <b>Luke 9:23-26</b>  <b>9.35am</b> The Rosary  <b>10.00am</b> Holy Souls (E.OD.)  John Smythe &amp; Family</p>	<p><b>Pre School 9.00am-12.45pm</b>  <b>Talks on the Faith after 10am Mass</b></p>
<p><b>Tuesday 2nd December</b> <b>Advent Feria</b></p> <p>Father Anthony Talbot</p>	<p><b>Isaiah 11:1-10</b>      <b>Luke 10:21-24</b>  <b>9.35am</b> The Rosary  <b>10.00am</b> Intentions of the Malone Family  <b>12.30pm No Mass</b></p>	<p><b>Pre School 9.00am-12.45pm</b>  <b>Legion of Mary 6.30pm</b>  <b>Youth Club 7.00pm</b></p>
<p><b>Wednesday 3rd December</b> <b>St Francis Xavier</b></p> <p>Father David tams</p>	<p><b>Isaiah 25:6-10</b>      <b>Matthew 15:29-37</b>  <b>9.35am</b> The Rosary  <b>10.00am</b> All People of the Parish  Michael Reynolds-Get Well</p>	<p><b>Moms &amp; Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.15am</b>  <b>Rainbows 4.30pm-5.50pm</b>  <b>Brownies 5.45pm-7.30pm</b>  <b>Baptismal Preparation Evening 8pm-Presbytery</b></p>
<p><b>Thursday 4th December</b> <b>Advent Feria</b> <b>St John Damascene</b></p> <p>Father Aldo Tapparo</p>	<p><b>Isaiah 26:1-6</b>      <b>Matthew 7:21,24-27</b>  <b>9.35am</b> The Rosary  <b>10.00am</b> Marjorie Birch-RIP  <b>12.30pm</b> Angela D'Arcy-Intention</p>	<p><b>Pre School 9.00am-12.45pm</b>  <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10am Mass until 12.30pm</b>  <b>Talks on the Faith 7.30pm</b></p>
<p><b>Friday 5th December</b> <b>FEAST</b> <b>St Birinus</b></p> <p>Father Mariano Tarrosa</p>	<p><b>1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23</b>      <b>Matthew 9:35-37</b>  <b>9.35am</b> The Rosary  <b>10.00am</b> Patrick Nicholas Kelly-RIP  <b>6.30pm</b> CWL Founder's Day- Margaret Fletcher  Geraldine Gill-RIP  <b>With anointing of the Sick</b></p>	<p><b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10.00am Mass Until 12.30pm</b>  <b>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm followed by Mass at 6.30pm</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday 6th December</b> <b>Advent Feria</b> <b>St Nicholas</b> <i>Patron Saint of Children, Sailors, Merchants and Russia</i> Father Robert Taylerson</p>	<p><b>Isaiah 30:19-21,23-26</b>      <b>Matthew 9:34-10:1,6-8</b>  <b>9.00am</b> Mary &amp; George Harris-RIP  <b>Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11</b>      <b>2 Peter 3:8-14</b>  <b>Mark 1:1-8</b>  <b>12.30pm</b> Mary Shanahan-Get Well  <b>6.00pm</b> John Ounsworth-RIP</p>	<p><b>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon</b></p> <p><b>Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday 7th December</b> <b>Second Sunday of Advent</b> Canon Peter Taylor</p> 	<p><b>Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11</b>      <b>2 Peter 3:8-14</b>  <b>Mark 1:1-8</b></p> <p><b>9.00am</b> Michael Mortimer-RIP  <b>11.00am</b> Iona Lewis-RIP</p>	<p><b>Tea/Coffee available after both 9.00am and 11.00am Masses</b></p>

Offertory Collection last week : £1,065:06 (Gift Aid £350:10 Loose £714:96)

**Second Collection last Week: Catholic Youth Services-£664:92**

**Second Collection next week: Poor Parishes of the Diocese**

**ST AUGUSTINE'S PRE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAYRE-** Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November 1pm-3pm Church Hall. Please come and support.

**MELL SQUARE CRIB SERVICE-** Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2014, 3.00pm. Please join us for the Blessing of the Crib and Carols. The Service will last about half an hour. All are welcome.

**UNITED SERVICE FOR UNITY-** Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2015 6.30pm St Helens Church, St Helen's Road off Buryfield Road, B91 2DA Also, **UNITED PRAYER LUNCH**, Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2015 12.30pm-Christ Church, Warwick Road, Solihull B91 3DG

**ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH CHRISTMAS FAYRE-** will take place on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2014 between 1pm and 3.30pm. The proceeds will go to CAFOD's appeal fund to fight Ebola. Some Raffle Tickets still available this weekend. Please donate prizes for the bottle stall and raffle. (Hand in to the Presbytery.) Thank you.

For Christmas gifts and cards go to: [www.Worldgifts.cafod.org.uk](http://www.Worldgifts.cafod.org.uk) or pick up a CAFOD gift catalogue as you leave Church.

New on sale this year are camels and donkeys!

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEW ROTA NOVEMBER – FEBRUARY.** Please see new rota, available on both Notice Boards- please check your availability to serve.

**BISHOP CHALLONER CATHOLIC COLLEGE-** Bishop Challenor Teaching School Alliance. Thinking of a career in teaching? School Direct Open Evening Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 6pm-8pm for information or to reserve a place, contact - [teachingschool@bishopchallenor.bham.sch.uk](mailto:teachingschool@bishopchallenor.bham.sch.uk)

**Readers this week**

**Saturday**

**6pm** Madeleine Coburn  
Teresa Cund

**Sunday**

**9.00am** *SCHOOL YEAR 3 Enrolment Mass*  
*Michael Keating*

**11.00am** Kevin O'Connor  
Mary Clark

**Eucharistic Ministers this week**

**Saturday**

**6pm** Joan & Dan Doyle  
Bob Ryder & Richard Bird

**Sunday**

**9.00am** Anne & Michael Hallissey  
*Mary Deneny & Angela Keating*

**11.00am** Kevin O'Connor & Helen Brookes  
Eilish Duffy & Tessy Nettikkadan

**Cleaning Rota: for week beginning December 1st for Services December 6th/7th -D**

**Mary Murray, Pat Ferris, Veronica Naughton**

**Flower Rota: – Advent No Flowers**

**Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish**

Jayne Hemming

Peter Griffin

Irene Sutton

Katie Kelly

Felicite Dormer

Christopher Browne

Ann Marie Boyd

Maureen McLoughlin

Angela D'Arcy

Baby Lily Day

Andrew Simpson

Bernadette Day

Ray Nicholson

Gerry O'Boyd

Brian Jones

Clare Farmer

Kathleen McLoughlin

Agnes Carroll

Mick Green

Kate McAvinney

Kathy Stead

Louisa and Nick

Joseph Farmer

Aidan, Michael and Patrick O'Donnell

John Keaney

Norman Hart

Michael Cassidy

Anthony McCann

Anne White

Gary Phipps

Eileen Phipps

Patricia Jones

Rose Walsh

Sarah Maloney

Amando Tenorio

Chris Lawton

Peggy Roper

Xiu Ping Chen

Sally & Maddy

Glen Hughes

John Farrelly

Joseph Lockington

James Farmer

Martha Sheridan

Eilish Duffy

Philip Docker

John Balder

Heath Balder

Margaret Kelly

Therese Coulton

Bernard Naylor

Raymond Shenstone

Cornelius Callanan

Finbarr Herron

**Dear God,**

**We think of some people whose spirits we have never met,**

**Whose hands we will never squeeze. They look at us from our newspapers and move before us on our TV screens.**

**They are across the sea and in our living room.**

**We have nothing in common with them apart from everything.**

**Your breath animates them like us and now their breath is stopped.....**

**Theirs for good, ours for a moment. If there, why not here? If this quiet is a sound ... the deafening crack in their interrupted lives.**

**This thought is for a miracle.**

**Turn our thinking into a prayer.**

**Make these thoughts make a difference.**

**Sit your self down**

**Next to those who are weeping, listen to those who are angry.**

**Hold those about to break.**

**Kiss those who can't go on.**

**Show yourself to those who can see only nothing. Amen.**



Please pray for: Gerry O'Boy who died recently. Also Margaret French, Kevin William Geary, Gertrude Ann Thornburgh, Catherine Newman, David Barrett, Joseph Marshall, and Westley John Taylor whose anniversaries are at this time.

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