

***SAINT AUGUSTINE
OF ENGLAND
CATHOLIC CHURCH***

1 Herbert Road, Solihull, B91 3QE
0121 705 0228

www.staugustinesolihull.org.uk
admin@staugustinesolihull.org.uk
Registered charity No. 234216



Fr Dominic Kavanagh Fr Frank Smith Father Andrew McCann

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT YEAR B 7TH December 2014

Dear Parishioners,

'Prepare a way for the Lord! We prepare each day of our lives for the coming of the Lord. We have to straighten out those things in our behaviour which prevent us from living holy and saintly lives. The new heavens and the new earth where God reigns are what is promised to us and that is why we should always try to be joyful. (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Please pray for baby Fearn Mary Smith who is to be baptized in to the family of the Church this Sunday afternoon. The second of December's Baptismal Preparation evening will take place on Wednesday 17th December at 8pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome.



We will be having an Advent Penance Service on Monday 15th December at 7pm. The Service will include Readings, Hymns, a Public Examination of Conscience and Individual Confession. We hope to have 4 Priests available.

Please note that on Tuesday morning we will be welcoming the Deacons and Priests of the Deanery to a Deanery Meeting. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.30am until 11.00am. Mass will start 10 minutes earlier at 9.50am and the Rosary at 9.25am.

The Legion of Mary have a beautiful statue of Mary and the child. They are making it available for the families of the Parish to have in their homes for a week at a time. If there are any families who would like to have the statue in their homes and to use it as a focus for family prayer please would you speak with Father Andrew. We welcome St Augustine's, Pupils, Teachers and Parents to the Nativity Play and Christmas Concert here in Church on Wednesday 10th December at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to attend and we have received permission to use the Dominion Car Park (Lower Level) free of charge from 6pm until 9.30pm.

The third of our Advent 'Journeying Together In Faith' Meetings will take place on Thursday 11th December at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

We wish to inform you of the deaths of several Parishioners. Colleen Taylor who was a resident at The Grove. Funeral Service at Woodlands on Monday 8th December at 1pm. Jack Peace, President of our S.V.P. Society who died suddenly at home last Monday. Patricia Banks, of Draycott Close, who died on Wednesday. Vincent Burke whose Funeral Service will take place on Friday 12th December at Robin Hood Crematorium at 12 midday. Mr. Gerry O'Boy from St Thomas More's. Requiem Mass at St Thomas More's on December 15th at 11am. Reception in to Church on 14th at 6pm. Please remember them and their families in your prayers. May they rest in peace.

<p>Saturday 6th December Advent Feria St Nicholas <i>Patron Saint of Children, Sailors, Merchants and Russia</i> Father Robert Taylerson</p>	<p>Isaiah 30:19-21,23-26 Matthew 9:34-10:1,6-8 9.00am Mary & George Harris-RIP Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11 2 Peter 3:8-14 Mark 1:1-8 12.30pm Mary Shanahan-Get Well 6.00pm John Ounsworth-RIP</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p>Sunday 7th December SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT</p>  <p>Canon Peter Taylor</p>	<p>Isaiah 63:16-17,64:1,3-8 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:33-37</p> <p>9.00am Thomas Herraty-RIP 11.00am Catherine Newman-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9.00am and 11.00am Masses</p>
<p>Monday 8th December SOLEMNITY of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Dom Benedict Thompson</p>	<p>Genesis 3:9-15 Ephesians 1:3-6,11-12 Luke 1:26-38 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Joseph & Joan Tildesley 30th Wedding Anniversary Pat & Paddy Brennan-RIP</p>	<p>Pre School 9.00am-12.45pm Talks on the Faith after 10am Mass</p>
<p>Tuesday 9th December Advent Feria St John Diego Cuatlatatzin Father Anthony Timlin</p>	<p>Isaiah 40:1-11 Matthew 18:12-14 9.25am The Rosary 9.50am Rose's Birthday 12.30pm No Mass</p>	<p>Pre School 9.00am-12.45pm Legion of Mary 6.30pm Youth Club 7.00pm</p>
<p>Wednesday 10th December Advent Feria St Edmund Gennings</p> <p>Father Tom Thomas</p>	<p>Isaiah 40:25-31 Matthew 11:28-30 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Baby Ellie Rose Walsh-Intention</p>	<p>Moms & Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.15am Rainbows 4.30pm-5.50pm Brownies 5.45pm-7.30pm</p>
<p>Thursday 11th December Advent Feria St Damasus 1</p> <p>Canon Mervyn Tower</p>	<p>Isaiah 41:13-20 Matthew 11:11-15 10.00am Holy Souls (E.O'D.) 12.30pm Pam Denning-RIP</p>	<p>Pre School 9.00am-12.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10am Mass until 12.30pm S.V.P. Meeting 7.00pm Talks on the Faith 7.30pm</p>
<p>Friday 12th December Advent Feria Our Lady of Guadalupe</p> <p>Father Raymond Tumba</p>	<p>Isaiah 48:17-19 Matthew 11:16-19 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Joy & Mick Smith-Intentions Matthew Daniel-RIP 6.30pm Joan Waldron-RIP</p>	<p>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10.00am Mass Until 12.30pm Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm followed by Mass at 6.30pm</p>
<p>Saturday 13th December St Lucy Patron Saint of the blind Father Sean Turley</p>	<p>Ecclesiasticus 48:1-4,9-11 Matthew 17:10-13 9.00am Celebrant's Intention Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 John 1:6-8, 19-28 12.30pm Jim Reynolds-RIP 6.00pm Pauline Gallagher-RIP</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon</p> <p>Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass CAFOD FAYRE 1.00pm-4.00pm</p>
<p>Sunday 14th December Third Sunday of Advent Father Joseph Tynan</p> 	<p>Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 John 1:6-8, 19-28</p> <p>9.00am Peter Tickell-Intention 11.00am Paddy O'Grady-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both 9.00am and 11.00am Masses</p>

Offertory Collection last week : £1,249:28 (Gift Aid £414:12 Loose £835:16)

Second Collection last Week: Aid to the Church in Need -£381:61

Second Collection this week: Poor Parishes of the Diocese

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

ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH CHRISTMAS FAYRE- will take place on Saturday 13th 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 Tombola, Bottle stall and Raffle, Cakes, Jams, and suitable Christmas Gifts. (Hand in to the Presbytery.) Thank you. We look forward to seeing you next Saturday afternoon.

For Christmas gifts and cards go to: 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!

CHRISTMAS MASSES-There is a list in the Sacristy for Special Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers to sign indicating their availability for the Christmas Masses.

Readers this week

Saturday

6pm Teresa Cund
Gerry Coburn

Sunday

9.00am *Michael Keating*
Anthony Killeen
11.00am Mary Clark
Maria Marsay

Eucharistic Ministers this week

Saturday

6pm Bob Ryder & Richard Bird
Bob Ryder & Richard Bird

Sunday

9.00am Mary Deneny & Angela Keating
Mary Deneny & Angela Keating
11.00am Eilish Duffy & Tessy Nettikkadan
Eilish Duffy & Tessy Nettikkadan

Cleaning Rota: for week beginning December 8th for Services December 13th/14th -E
Annie Fuller, Teresa Donovan, Trish Embley, Rebecca Davies
Flower Rota: – Advent No Flowers

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish

Jayne Hemming	Brian Jones	Anne White	Joseph Lockington
Peter Griffin	Clare Farmer	Gary Phipps	James Farmer
Irene Sutton	Kathleen McLoughlin	Eileen Phipps	Martha Sheridan
Katie Kelly	Agnes Carroll	Patricia Jones	Eilish Duffy
Felicite Dormer	Mick Green	Rose Walsh	Philip Docker
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	Xiu Ping Chen	Bernard Naylor
Andrew Simpson	John Keane	Sally & Maddy	Raymond Shenstone
Bernadette Day	Norman Hart	Glen Hughes	Cornelius Callanan
Ray Nicholson	Michael Cassidy	John Farrelly	Finbarr Herron
Anthony McCann			

Second Week of Advent

When John the Baptizer made his appearance as a preacher in the desert of Judea, this was his theme: Reform your lives. The reign of God is at hand!" Mt. 3:1

Second Sunday of Advent O Jesus, in an empty desert your prophet John proclaimed: God is here, at your side. God has come to bring about a kingdom where injustice and suffering will be no more, where tears will be wiped away, and where those who turn to God will feast at a banquet.

"Turn now, your God is standing at your side. Reform your lives, God's kingdom is at hand." In an empty desert John said these things.

Give me faith like John's, O Lord, strong enough to believe even in a desert that you and your kingdom are no farther from me than my hand. Make my heart strong like his, not swayed by trials or snared by false pleasures. Give me courage to be faithful until your promises are fulfilled.

**O King of all nations, Jesus Christ,
only joy of every heart,
come and save your people.**



©2008MMBOX PRODUCTION

'Look, I am going to send my messenger before you;

He will prepare your way. A voice cries in the wilderness;

Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight.'

Please pray for: Colleen Taylor, Jack Peace, Patricia Banks, Vincent Burke and Gerry O'Boy who all died recently. Also Dorothy Phillips, Kathleen Hurdman, John West, Robert Wolfe, Malcolm Kelly, Tony Quinn, Ernest Edwin Phipps, Bob Morgan, Gordon Sutton and James McGettigan whose anniversaries are at this time.

Protection Representatives are:

Anne Ryder 0121 705 3067
anne.ryder@staugustinesolihull.org.uk

Teresa Cund 0121 733 2143
t.cund@stjuderc.bham.sch.uk