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SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YEAR A MAY 28th 2017

Dear Parishioners,

'Christ ascends to His Father! Christ's Ascension is our guarantee that one day we will be with Him in heaven to praise the glory of God our Father. The Ascension is our hope of the great inheritance which awaits those of us who believe in the power of the risen Christ.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Please pray for Luis Malachi Young who is to be baptized in to the family of the Church this Sunday afternoon. The baptismal preparation evening for June will take place on Thursday 1st June at 8pm. All are welcome.

'Night Fever' will take place this Saturday evening, May 27th, from 7pm-9pm. All are welcome.

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales have produced a leaflet in respect of the forthcoming General Election on June 8th. The leaflet is available in both porches. This Sunday evening, May 28th, in the Oliver Bird Hall, commencing 7.45pm a Solihull Parliamentary Constituency 'HUSTINGS' will take place. All the main parties' candidates will be present. You are very welcome to attend. Questions to be submitted by email to:

beryl.moppett@virginmedia.com or hand in at the OBH between 7pm and 7.15pm on 28th May.

This weekend we celebrate Catholic Communications Sunday when we are asked to pray for those who work in the media. A second collection will be taken to support the work of Catholic Communications Network.



The Clergy of St Augustine's will be in Lourdes this coming week. Should you wish any petitions to be taken to Lourdes please let us have them a.s.a.p. Please do not place any money in the envelopes.

We will be having a Mission Appeal at St Augustine's on the weekend of 3rd/4th June. Father Rafael of The Spiritans Fathers (formerly Holy Ghost Fathers) will be making the appeal

Sister Carmel's book 'Aglow With Light' is now available from the Piety Shop. Copies are available at £5.00, which will go towards helping the homeless.

Advance notice- the Summer Fayre will take place on Saturday 8th July from 1.30pm until 3.30pm.

Mrs Tina Willmott's Mass of Thanksgiving will take place on Wednesday 19th July 7.00pm in St Augustine's Church. All are welcome.

<p>27th May Saturday FEAST <i>St Augustine of Canterbury</i></p>	<p>1 Thessalonians 2:2-8 Luke 10:1-9</p> <p>Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 1:17-23 Matthew 28:16-20 12.30pm Sara Burns-RIP</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon</p> <p>Tea/Coffee Lunches <i>available</i> <i>after 12.30pm Mass</i></p>
<p>28th May Sunday SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</p>  <p>As they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <small>Acts 1:9</small></p> <p>World Communications Day</p>	<p>Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 1:17-23 Matthew 28:16-20</p> <p>9.00am Mary Wood-RIP 11.00am Tom Reilly-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9.00am & 11.00am Masses</p>
<p>29th May Monday SOLEMNITY OF DEDICATION</p>	<p>Apocalypse 21:1-5 John 4:19-24</p> <p>9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Franc & Annette Kelly- 46th Wedding Anniversary</p>	
<p>30th May Tuesday Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 16:22-34 John 16:5-11</p> <p>9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Teresa Naylor-Intention</p>	<p>Legion of Mary 6.30pm</p>
<p>31st May Wednesday FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</p>	<p>Zephaniah 3: 14-18 Or Romans 12:9-16 Luke 1:39-56</p> <p>9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Christopher Tickell-Intention</p>	<p>Parents & Toddlers Group 9.15am-11.00am</p>
<p>1st June Thursday St Justin</p>	<p>Acts 22:30,23:6-1 John 17:20-26</p> <p>12.05pm The Rosary 12.30pm Margaret & Colum Fay</p>	
<p>2nd June Friday Easter Feria <i>Ss Marcellinus and Peter</i></p>	<p>Acts 25:13-21 John 21:15-19</p> <p>9.35am The Rosary 10.00am John Corfield-RIP 6.30pm In Thanksgiving for the birth of Baby Thomas Anil With Blessing of the Sick</p>	<p>6.30pm-Latin Mass</p>
<p>3rd June Saturday <i>Ss Charles Lwanga & Companions</i></p>	<p>1 Thessalonians 2:2-8 Luke 10:1-9</p> <p>Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13 John 20:19-23 12.30pm Martin McLoughlin-RIP Sarah Friel-Intention</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00- 12.00 Noon Tea/Coffee after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p>4th June Sunday Solemnity of Pentecost</p>  <p>Day of Prayer for the Church</p>	<p>Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13 John 20:19-23</p> <p>9.00am Roger Oldfield-RIP (on behalf of North Warwickshire Catenians)</p> <p>11.00am Christian Morris-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee after 9am and 11am Masses</p>

Offertory Collection last week: £1,072:19 (Gift Aid £300:46 Loose £771:73)

Second Collection this week- Catholic Communication

RED 'BOOK BOXES'- for very young children are now located in both porches of St Augustines. Mass books, prayer books and religious stories can be borrowed during Mass. We welcome donated books from older children and teens for this box. Thank you.

The CWL, Catholic Women's League, is a National Catholic Organisation but we are a very small group in this parish and are grateful for your support. We would love to welcome new members, Catholic women of any age who would like to help with our work. If you would like to consider joining us, please come along to our next meeting. Meetings are always on the third Monday of each month. Contact Madeleine (603 8997) or Stephanie (709 0547) for more information.

Jane and Colin Elmer are opening their cottage garden, which is near St Alphege Church, on Sunday 28th May from noon until 6 pm. Relax and enjoy a soft drink and homemade cake in this tranquil secret garden right in the centre of our busy town. Sadly wheelchair access is not possible due to deep pebbles and 3 sets of steps. The address is 37 Ladbrook Road, Solihull B913RN. All proceeds will go to the Solihull Branch of the Multiple Sclerosis Society. If you want any further information, please call the Secretary of the MS Solihull Branch on 07941 416303

ARE YOU A SUPPORTER OF THE COLUMBAN MISSIONARIES? Columban supporters are invited to add their names to a Centenary Pilgrim Altar Cloth being created for 2018 from 14 cloth sections gathered from countries where Columbans are active. In each place, missionaries, partners, friends and benefactors are adding their names. In this way, the multicultural Columban family will be symbolically brought together at Eucharistic celebrations next year. To add your name, visit St. Columban's, Widney Manor Road B93 9AB Saturday 27th May (9.00 a.m. to 12 noon). No appointment necessary. To enquire T: 01564 772 096 or Email stephenawre@columbans.co.uk

Solihull Faiths Forum ECO group Invite you to a **GO GREENFAIR** In conjunction with the **GARDENERS' FAYRE** Mell Square – Solihull Saturday 10th June 2017 10.00am – 4.00pm Featuring Stalls, Green technology, Kids Activities, Information, School displays and much more Come and find out how you could live more sustainably

Who is Chris Stefanick? Chris Stefanick is an internationally acclaimed Catholic author and speaker, who has devoted his life to inspiring people to live a bold, contagious faith. Chris's has talked to more than 85,000 people per year. His videos and radio shows reach more than 1,000,000 people per month, every month. Chris is also the founder of Real Life Catholic, a Denver-based non-profit organisation which is the headquarters for Chris's various initiatives. Above all, Chris is proud to be the husband to his wife Natalie and father to their six children. To learn more about Chris's work, please visit: www.RealLifeCatholic.com . 17th July 2017, 6.30-9.00pm St Catherine of Siena Church Birmingham. (See poster in porch for details.) This night promises to be a night to remember. Cost of the Event is £10 (cheaper for Students)

Readers this week	Eucharistic Ministers this week
SUNDAY	SUNDAY
9.00am Bernard McHale <i>Michael Keating</i>	9.00am Richard Bird & Caroline McGonigle <i>Ken Bolton/ Don Deneny</i>
11.00am Maria Marsay Marie Watts	11.00am Tessy Nettikkadan Eilish Duffy
Cleaning Rota: for week beginning May 29th for Services June 3rd/4th –B Monica Green, Maureen Casey, Bernadette Rourke	
Flower Rota: – for week beginning May 29th for Services June 3rd/4th-Juana Browne	

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish

Jayne Hemming	Brian Jones	Anne White	Joseph Lockington
Clare Farmer	James Farmer	Kathleen McLoughlin	Martha Sheridan
Katie Kelly	Patricia Jones	Eilish Duffy	Mick Green
Andrew Simpson	Bernadette Day	Anthony Sadler	Patrick Gallagher
Christopher Browne	Kate McAvinney	Sarah Maloney	John Balder
Ann Marie Boyd	Kathy Stead	Amando Tenorio	Heath Balder
Maureen McLoughlin	Louisa and Nick	Margaret Kelly	Teresa Farrelley
Joseph Farmer	Peggy Roper	Therese Coulton	Chris Docker
Baby Lily Day	Rose Walsh	Aidan, Patrick and Michael O'Donnell	Norman Hart
Martine and Rita McDonnell	Raymond Shenstone	Cornelius Callanan	Doreen Shirley
Sally & Maddy	John Keaney	Glen Hughes	Finbarr Herron
Michael Cassidy	Susanna Gordon	Mark Andrew Sutton	David Nunan
Dean	Gavin Jones	Baby Lara Constantinou	Julia Taleekder
Richard Bird	Suzanne RhodenTench	Tony Duffy	Patrick Brogan

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY 28 MAY 2017 PRAYER

**O God,
whose word is truth and in whose light we see light,
guide those who tell the story of our times through
word and image.**

**Make them seekers after truth
and advocates of human dignity.**

**Grant discernment to all
who rely on their labours, and, as we confront the pain
and promise of this world, awaken in us a sense of
wonder at your presence and of longing for your peace,
Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.**



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he was lifted up,
and a cloud took him
out of their sight.**

Acts 1.9

Please pray for: Christopher John Hart who died recently. Also John Thomas Murphy, Baby Mayzi Rae Williams, Henry George Walker, Helen Hart, Marie Josephine Winsor, Brendan Kenny, Sylvia Irene Wyer, Hans Benischice and Ann Ryan whose anniversaries are at this time.

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