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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Fr Paul Devanev Deacon Kevin O'Connor THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 26th January 2020

Dear Parishioners,

'Christ is our light and our help! Christ enlightens our darkness and helps us to see the real meaning of life. When He calls us to follow Him we must learn to put aside our differences. It is in true Christian charity that we are able to proclaim the good news of the kingdom, and it is for this purpose that Christ calls us to follow Him.'(Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Please pray for Joseph Michael Devereux who was baptized into the family of the Church last weekend and Hamish George Ruffell who is to be baptized into the family of the Church this Sunday afternoon. The baptismal preparation evenings for February will take place on Thursday 6th February and Thursday 13th February at 8pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

We would like to hold a Mini-Fayre on the first Saturday and Sunday of February after the Masses. The monies raised will go towards the famine relief effort in Zimbabwe and Zambia, being requested by CAFOD. If you have any gifts (perhaps unused Christmas gifts) or donations they will be gratefully received.

Please note there will be a 9.30am Mass on Thursday 30th January and also Mass at 12.30pm. **APF MISSIO** Mr Frank Miller will be giving a short talk at the end of each Mass this weekend on behalf of APF MISSIO an association which raises funds for missionaries throughout the third world.

QUIZ NIGHT (incl. Fish N Chips Supper) Fundraiser for HCPT Oxford - £10 p.p. - Parish Hall, 7.00 p.m. Friday, 7 February 2020: Join us for a fun-filled night - expect the unexpected! As a team or individually (we'll put you with new friends). Please call Maria asap on 0121 705 8421 to make sure you don't miss out ...(and for catering purposes!!) Look forward to seeing you! Free Car Parking has been requested in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park.

Holocaust Memorial Day 27th January 2020; Holocaust Memorial Day has a special significance this year because this year marks the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz and also the increase in incidents of antisemitism.

1st February Saturday FEAST of the Conversion of St Paul	Isaiah 8:23-9:3 1 Corinthians 1:10-13 Matthew 4:12-23 12.30pm Johnny Markey-RIP Anne & Pat McGowan-RIP James Mooney-RIP	Confession/Exposition 10.30-12.00 Noon Lunches/Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass
26th January THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Isaiah 8:23-9:3 1 Corinthians 1:10-13 Matthew 4:12-23 9.00am Nicholas & Moya Halligan-RIP 11.00am Anne Teresa Thomas Joseph McGuire-RIP Frank Doherty-RIP	Tea/Coffee available after 9am & 11am Masses
27th January Monday Feria In Ordinary Time Blessed Edward Oldcorne/ St Angela Merici	2 Samuel 5:1-7 Mark 3:22-30 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Brenda Lyons-RIP	Pre School 9.30am-12.30pm
28th January Tuesday St Thomas Aquinas Patron of Catholic Schools	2 Samuel 6:12-15,17-19 Mark 3:31-35 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Raymond Reidy-Intention Bernard Adkins-RIP	Pre School 9.30am-12.30pm Legion of Mary 6.15pm
29th January Wednesday Feria In Ordinary Time	2 Samuel 7:4-17 Mark 4:1-20 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Paddy Murray-RIP Pat & Mary Owens-RIP	Rainbows 4.30pm-5.30pm Brownies 5.45pm-7.30pm
30th January Thursday Feria In Ordinary Time	2 Samuel 7:18-19,24-29 Mark 4:21-15 9.30am Joan Stanton-RIP 12.00pm The Rosary 12.30pm Sr Ellen McGrath-Intention Christina Jena-Intention	Pre School 9.30am-12.30pm 12.00-12.30pm Exposition
31st January Friday St John Bosco	2 Samuel 11:1-10,13-17 Mark 4:26-34 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Ian Ball-RIP 6.30pm Mary Connolly	Exposition after 10am Mass until 12.30pm Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm followed by Mass 6.30pm
1st February Saturday	Malachi 3:1-4 Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40 12.30pm Sean & Theresa McMahon-RIP Bridie Rush-RIP Mary Ryan & Family	Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon Tea/Coffee/Lunches available after 12.30pm Mass
2nd February Feast of the Presentation of the Lord	Malachi 3:1-4 Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40 9.00am Michael Burns-RIP 11.00am Eilish, Tony Duffy & Family-Intentions	Tea/Coffee available after 9am & 11am Masses

Offertory Collection last week: £1,246:03 (Gift Aid £255 Loose £991:03) Second Collection last weekend: Pax Christi - £470:52

FATHER HUDSON'S CARE- 116th Annual Fundraising Ball Saturday 1st February 2020; 7.30pm-1am. St John's Hotel Warwick Road Solihull. Please see poster in porch for details.

CAFOD school volunteers needed! Are you ready to transform lives by choosing a different sort of challenge in 2020? Could you spare some time to volunteer with CAFOD and help children and young people learn about global poverty, and motivate them to take action? We are looking for school **volunteers** to visit our local Catholic schools and inspire young people to make a difference. For more information please contact Sylvester Mutsigwa at CAFOD Birmingham on 01922 722944 or email birmingham@cafod.org.uk

Year of the Word- the God who Speaks- this special year will run from the 1st Sunday of Advent 2019 to the 1st Sunday of Advent 2020. The God who Speaks - scripture reflection from MARRIAGE MATTERS (www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk) Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Isaiah 8:23-9:3 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 Matt 4:12-23) God has a stake in our marriage Today, we see two aspects of God's plan for our marriage: '... (I will make) their joy increase' (Isaiah) and 'I will make you fishers of men' (Matthew). God wants us to make our love for each other as close to Jesus' love for us as possible. that all whose lives we touch might experience how much God loves them.

Marriage Preparation, Enrichment and Support- weekends organized by Marriage Encounter and Retrouvaille. For those preparing for marriage:-11-12th July 2020 Residential Engaged Encounter Weekend, held at Marvvale Institute, Old Oscott Hill B44

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THURSDAY 13th FEBRUARY_St Alphege Church- Lesley Smith is Mrs Thatcher. A really entertaining evening. Tickets cost £10 and are available online, over the telephone and at the door. More details on the fliers in both porches.

Readers this week **SUNDAY** 9.00am Pam Davies Gerry Coburn

11.00am Juliana Benjamin

Mary Clark

Eucharistic Ministers this week SUNDAY

9.00am Anne & Michael Hallissey Anne & Michael Hallissev 11.00am John Hicky John Hicky

Cleaning Rota: for week beginning January 27th for Services February 1st/2nd February-C

Marguerite Pearsall, Anne Hallissey, Julia McGovern, Katrina Hicken

Flowers Rota: – for week beginning January 27th for Services February 1st/2nd February Margaret Stanley

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish:

Keith Frettsome Martin Yates Virginia Gregory. Angela, Eilish, Tony Duffy

Sandy Simia Joan Kennedy Roberto Cordora Kevin Fahy

Trevor Windle Colette Hicky Danny Meadows Kathleen Beale Martha Sheridan

PRAYER FOR YEAR OF THE WORD

Living God, you walk alongside me,
And speak to us throughout the Scriptures.
Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears
And shows us how to live for one another.
Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds
So that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. Amen.

V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light.

R. This day and every day.

Our Lady of the Annunciation pray for us
St Matthew pray for us
St Jerome pray for us

Risen Lord, Your disciples walking on the road to Emmaus began to sense your presence as you explained the Scriptures to them. As we study the Scriptures today may our hearts burn too, kindled by the Spirit, with the love of God, and the delight of your teaching, that we may see with your eyes, heal with your hands, walk and love with your heart. Amen. (Fr John Deehan)

Please pray for: Beatrice Eaglesfield, Grace Helen Pedley, Eileen Nimmo, Kevin Tynan, Bridget Bevan, Nuala Therese Carthy, John Michael Reid, Clifford Aplin, Bernard Adkins, Sylvia Pickering, Eileen Ashley, Mary Elizabeth Stock, Jim Quinn, Albert Woodruff, Thomas Joseph McGuire, Ann Aubrey Denton-Hawkes and George Core and all with anniversaries at this time.

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