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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 3rd August 2025

Dear Parishioners 'There is more to life than wealth and riches. We tend to look for material security in this world until it becomes an obsession with us. Yet we cannot take our riches with us when we die. We need to live the life of grace as people who have died to the things of this world in order to live for the spiritual riches of a life given to Christ. In this way we will get our priorities right and our lives will be full of true happiness and meaning.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I pray that this month of August may bring many blessings to each of us. Please pray for Constance Owens and Jonathan DeSouza, who are to be baptized into the family of the Church this Sunday. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 18th September from 7.30-9.00pm. All are welcome. If you wish to attend, please speak with Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

Our sincere thanks for your generous support of the Summer Fayre. It was a very enjoyable afternoon. Thank you to our organisers, our stall holders and all who helped in any way. It was nice to see our young Parishioners and their friends contributing to the festive atmosphere. A total of £3,137:39 has been raised for the people of Myanmar suffering still from the devasting earthquake.

The Birmingham Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference takes place at St John's Hotel in Solihull, from Monday 11th August until Friday 15th August. This year's Conference promises to be an inspiring time of worship, teaching and renewal through our adult and children's programmes. The theme is: 'Heart speaks to Heart.' To book your place for the week or daily contact Ray on: 078818851964 or email: info@bccrc.org.uk Download a booking form- www.bccrc.org.uk

Within the South Solihull Parishes, we are planning a Pilgrimage to Rome for the close of the Jubilee Year. Would you be interested in taking part, from January 4th to January 8th 2026? The cost is £850 for sharing a room and £975 for single supplement. Father Dominic is hoping to form part of the pilgrimage. Further details from Bernadette, our Parish Secretary. The closing date for booking is 17th August. On Thursday evening we have a Holy Hour by Candle Light between 6.15-7.15pm. All are welcome to this time of healing and renewal.

The Archbishop has written to convey the joyful news that St John Henry Newman has been declared a Doctor of the Church. Pope Leo made the official announcement on July 31st. Archbishop writes: 'Together with the Fathers of the Birmingham and Oxford Oratories, I am immensely grateful to Pope Leo for declaring St John Henry Newman as a Doctor of the Church. Cardinal Newman is only the third English man to be afforded this title, after St Bede the Venerable and St Anselm of Canterbury, for the historic and abiding impact of his teaching on the Universal Church. It is remarkable that his

writings, first as an Anglican and then as a Roman Catholic, but considered as one entire corpus of written work, have led to him being declared a Doctor of the Church. His motto Cor ad cor loquitor (Heart speaks to heart) is a key to understanding the influence of St John Henry's teaching, communicated to us at the deepest level of our being. I pray that this day will hasten the canonisation of Blessed Dominic Barberi, who must be rejoicing that he was chosen to play his part in bringing Cardinal Newman into full communion with the Catholic Church.'

Offertory Collection last weekend: Gift Aid £139:92 Loose £1,014:12 Total: £1,154:04 Summer Fayre-£3,137:39 PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Roberto Cordora Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Anne Deary	Lali Ratnaraja	
Trevor Windle Daniel Meadows	Kevin McDaid	Jonathan Williams	Michael	Juliana Benjamin	
Patricia Mann Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans	
Catherine Walton Harry Conlon	Eileen Nolan	Paulina Samathar	Rita Titchmarsh	Helen Brookes	
James Brown John McCarthy	Mary Johnson	Savio Baretto	Roger Cox	Fr Gerard Kelly	
Christopher Edmund Poole	Liam Lewis	Joseph Wong	Briege Williams	Angela Hyland	
Nicole Plummer Pat Brogan	Molly Saunders	Mike Sassano	Mary & Amanda	Aoife Cook	
Rosemary Knowles Tony & Eilish Duffy Delbert Manorina Breada Fleming Lilian Andrea Cadman					
Father Michael White Eve	Benjamin Wort	Callum Graham	Michael Leyland	Wilson Cotton	
Bridget McNamara Ellen Gilmore	Ian Sanchez	Father Andrew M	cCann	Chris Docker	
Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Do	onnell				

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READERS	2 nd August 12.30pm	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
2 nd August 12.30pm Bernard	Ginny/J Wong	Sunday 3 rd August 9am M Coburn/G
9 th August 12.30pm T Duffy		Sica
Sunday 3rd August 9am M Pearsall	9th August 12.30pm	Sunday 3 rd August 11am A Kelly
Sunday 3 rd August 11am M Watts	Ginny/A.Kelly	Sunday 10 th August 9am J Powers
Sunday 10 th August 9am M Coburn		J Sica
Sunday 10th August 11am E Young		Sunday 10 th August 11am B Ngala

Become a Foundation Governor or Director at one of our Catholic schools The Diocesan Education Service has launched a new promotional video to support recruitment. In the video Archbishop Bernard Longley, school leaders, and current governors and directors discuss the role and how rewarding it can be. Opportunities are available across the Archdiocese, and all skills and backgrounds are welcome. Visit the diocesan website for more information: https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/

Holy Trinity Catholic School will be celebrating their 50th anniversary in September; we are keen that former pupils, staff and anyone previously connected to Holy Trinity have the opportunity to attend. For more detailed information please see Notice board, main porch. 5.00pm Wednesday 24th September.

PERSONAL CARE ASSISTANT- Looking for work. Experienced in this role, previously working with elderly and vulnerable in the comfort of their own homes and a care home. Contact Beata- 07941374386

MARCH FOR LIFE-Return Coach to London for UK March for Life Sat. 6th September 2025 Pick-up at:7.45am: Acocks Green - Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Church, 1151 Warwick Rd, B'ham B27 6RG 8am: Solihull - Our Lady of the Wayside Church, 566 Stratford Rd, Shirley, Solihull B90 4AY Tickets £25, payable in advance Concessions for children and youngsters To book, contact: Brian on 07726 311261 or Alice on 07845 706362

For the Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Year, Father Hudson's Caritas has developed a pilgrimage of hope around Birmingham City Centre, suitable for families, groups and individuals. The booklet (available online or in both porches) will guide you on a route around the City. At 10 stops you will be invited to reflect on issues of social justice, recognising signs of hope in our City and reflecting on how you can take action for change. On Father Hudson's Caritas website you can download the booklet and the route map. For further information contact Emily Pugh- 01675 434 000

Would any of our young Parishioners, aged 16+ wish to train as a youth leader? If so, please speak with one of the Clergy.

The 10am Mass on Friday 8th August is a Requiem Mass for Paul Malone.

2nd August Saturday St Eusebius/ St Julian Eymard	Ecclesiastes 1:2,2:21-23 Colossians 3:1-5,9-11 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Muthumalar Vijoyaratnam-RIP Kathleen Bevis-Birthday	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass
3rd August EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Ecclesiastes 1:2,2:21-23 Colossians 3:1-5,9-11 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Father Philip Harrop-Intentions 11.00am All People of the Parish	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses
4th August Monday St John Vianney Patron of the Universal Clergy	Tony McLoughlin-RIP Numbers 11:4-15 Matthew 14:13-21 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Maria Lukas-Intention Felix Harten-RIP	
5th August Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major	Numbers 12:1-13 Matthew 14:22-36 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Maria Kelly-RIP Kathleen Freeman-RIP	Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am
6th August Wednesday FEAST Transfiguration of the Lord	Daniel 7:9-10,13-14 OR Peter 1:16-19 Luke 9:28-36 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Father Hugh Sinclair-Intention Dr Bernard Crump-RIP	Confession 11.30am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
7th August Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time St Sixtus II/ St Cajetan	Numbers 20:1-13 Matthew 16:13-23 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Lourcu De Jesus-Birthday Deceased Members of Moran Family	Holy Hour by Candle Light 6.15pm-7.15pm
8th August Friday St Dominic	Deuteronomy 4:32-40 Matthew 16:24-28 Public & Live streamed Masses 10.00am ~Requiem Paul Malone Andrew Lockington-Intention 6.30pm Ann Moloney-RIP	Holy Hour & Exposition 5.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm
9th August Saturday St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross(Edith Stein) Patron of Europe	Wisdom 18:6-9 Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19 Luke 12:35-48 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Dolores McPartland-RIP Margaret Bowen	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm
10 th August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Wisdom 18:6-9 Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19 Luke 12:35-48 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am All People of the Parish 11.00am Angela Duffy-RIP Ben & Susan McKiernan-RIP	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses

A Prayer of St Francis of Assisi (1181-1226)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon: where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope where there is darkness, light where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood, as to understand;
to be loved, as to love;
for it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.



Please pray for: Paul Malone (Requiem 8th August 10am), Dymphna McKiernan,(Requiem Thursday 14th August 11am), John Pears (Woodlands Cemetery, Friday 22nd August 2pm), Hilary Mayell, Olam Devaney, Gerard William Dornan, Doreen Cotton, Father John Baggley, Deacon Tony Rigby, Deacon Brian Cox, Angela Mary Cleeton, Delia Finnegan, Father Tony Rohan, Roger Easterby who died recently.

Also, James Howard Turner, Dennis Roache, Eileen Mulry, Bridget Long, Stanley Gough, Michael Mahoney, Francis Stephen O'Brien, Mary Theresa Dunleavy, Shirley Anne O'Neill, William (Bill) Whitehouse, Kris Krzysztof, Victor John Curtis, John Douglas Lawrence, James Gerald Ryan and all with anniversaries at this time.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Anne Ryder and Susan Wakeham. They can be contacted at sg.staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

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