

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND

CATHOLIC CHURCH .

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Fr Prem Fernando Deacon Kevin O'Connor (Retired)

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 4th October 2026

Father Dominic writes. 'The Lord of the vineyard. God is master of all creation and giver of all gifts. If we do not use these gifts properly, he will take them away from us. If our lives are full of prayer and thanksgiving, then the God of peace will be always with us.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Dear Parishioners, The description of God's chosen people as His vineyard is one that is dear to the people of Israel. As we pray for peace in the Holy Land and throughout the world, we make our own the plea of the psalmist:

'God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted.'

Please pray for baby Jude Butler who is to be baptised into the family of the Church this weekend.

We welcome Maggie Mairuru, CAFOD's representative, who will speak to us at the Masses on Sunday about CAFOD's work and our support. The proceeds from CAFOD's Harvest Fast Day will be received in a second collection this weekend.

Next Sunday is a National Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their families. It is an opportunity for us all to direct our thoughts and prayers to the needs of the men, women and young people in prison and their children and families, and to support PACT, the national Catholic charity which serves them. (PACT_ Prison Advice and Care Trust.) There will be a second collection to support PACT's important work in the year ahead. Gift Aid envelopes available in both porches.

Please pray for Holly Darkins and Joseph Patrick Henry who are to be married here at St Augustine's on Saturday 10th October at 2.30pm.

Your prayers are also asked for Celia Margaret Cox who is to be Received into Full Communion on Sunday 11th October during the 9am Mass.

This Sunday morning, we will welcome the families of our Year 6 pupils who will be enrolled as candidates for Confirmation during the 9am Mass.

The next Parish Pastoral Council will take place on Sunday 8th November, after the 11am Mass.

For those of you who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith, you are welcome to join the Journey of Faith programme at Olton Friary. The weekly Meetings are on a Monday from 7.15pm-8.45pm. If you wish to participate, please contact Mary Eames directly on 07773205740.

The Season of Creation runs from September 1st to October 4th and has as its theme 'Living Water', inspired by the vision of God's life-giving water, bringing renewal and healing to creation. A range of resources are available on the diocesan website. www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Are there any youngsters who do not attend a Catholic School and who would be eligible for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion (normally aged 7/8) and/or Confirmation (normally aged 10-12). Please let Miss Libby Service or one of the Clergy know at your earliest convenience.

There is a Requiem on Thursday 8th October for Catherine Philomena Kenny at 12pm. All are welcome.

Gift Aid: £146(A special thanks to those who Gift Aid their donation, allowing us to claim an additional £36.50) loose £824:02 Total-£970:02 Standing Orders for month of August:£3,585.50 Second Collection last weekend Father Hudson's Society:£499:36 Second collection this- weekend: CAFOD Harvest Fast- envelopes available.

Second collection next week: PACT (Prison Advice and Care Trust)

St Margaret Mary Church in Birmingham (B23 7AB)- invite you to their Patronal Mass and centenary Year Celebration on 16th October 2026, at 7pm. Celebrant and Preacher, Bishop David Evans.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Lali Ratnaraja	Angela Keating	Mary Cassidy	Rosemary Knowles	Phillip O'Neill	
Briege Williams	Jonathan Williams	Father Pat Sayles	Maureen Hughes	Kitty Gardener	Julie Hickey
Patrick Mitchell	Catherine Bird	Helen Kirk	Patricia Sheasby	Edward O'Prey	
Edward Martin	Jess Stanton	Daniel Meadows	Delia Gaughan	Karen Beale	Pauline O'Kane

READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 3 rd Oct 12.30pm T Cund	Saturday 3 rd October 12.30pm	Sunday 4 th October 9am
Sat 10 th Oct 12.30pm Bernard	R & J Wong	G Sica/J Power
Sunday 4 th Oct 9am School Yr 6	Saturday 10 th October 12.30pm	Sunday 4 th October 11am
Sunday 4 th Oct 11am M Watts	A Kelly/ J Wong	P Davis
Sunday 11 th Oct 9am Y Solazzo		Sunday 11 th October 9am
Sunday 11 th Oct 11am T Washbrooke		M Hallissey/J Sica
		Sunday 11 th October 11am A Kelly

Lectio Divina by zoom, will continue this Wednesday from 7.30pm-8.15pm. All are welcome.

For News and events around the Archdiocese please visit the diocesan website:

www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk **Father Hudson's Caritas** are hoping to recruit Parish Ambassadors from each parish. For further details please see poster in porch.

Ladies Autumn Afternoon tea: 10 October 3-4:30. All very welcome. Bring some food to share

Headteacher's post St Peter's School link- <https://mynewterm.com/jobs/148094/EDV-2026-SPCS-33226>

Board of Directors of the Good Shepherd CMAT-looking for parishioners with significant operational experience at a high level in corporate, local authority, NHS or government agencies skills. Contact Rebecca Tonks: r.tonks@bdes.org.uk or telephone 01675 464 755 ext. 0110 Information pack see Fr Dominic

Olton Friary Presents A Centenary Celebration Concert. Saturday 3rd October 7.30pm. A concert celebrating music from the last 100 years, in aid of the Organ fund featuring guest organist Pavlos Triantaris, Olton Friary Choir, and dance cabaret. Tickets £12 per person. Under 12s go free. For tickets or more information please email geraldine.gnych@oltonfriary.org.uk Please see poster in porch.

Saturday 17th October CAFOD and Father Hudson's Caritas invite you to a 'LOVE IN ACTION' here at St Augustine's. 2pm-4.30pm (Mass at 12.30pm). All who are interested in social justice issues, including care for the poor and care for the environment, are encouraged to come along to St Augustine's Parish Hall.

3rd October Saturday St Thomas Cantilupe	Isaiah 5:1-7 Philippians 4:6-9 Matthew 21:33-43 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Deceased members of Egan, Webster, McNiff & Brennan Families Bridie & Dennis O'Connor-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Refreshments after Mass
4th October Twenty- Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time End of the Season of Creation	Isaiah 5:1-7 Philippians 4:6-9 Matthew 21:33-43 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Marina Ainsworth-RIP Patrick Tighe-RIP 11.00am All People of the Parish	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses.
5th October Monday Feria in Ordinary Time St Faustina Kowalska	Galatians 1:6-12 Luke 10:25-37 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Cameron-Intention Father Tomaz Zuna	
6th October Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time St Bruno	Galatians 1:13-24 Luke 10:38-42 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Lisa Muckley Tom Canaban-Intention	Toddlers' Group 9.30-11.30am in the parish hall.
7th October Wednesday Our Lady of the Rosary	Galatians 2:1-2,7-14 Luke 11:1-4 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Peggy Lowdor Maureen Wale-Intention	Confessions 11.15-11.45am 'Lectio Divina' - this week. Email for the link: staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
8th October Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time	Galatians 3:1-5 Luke 11:5-13 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Requiem Philomena Kenny Daniela Krol	Prayer Meeting 7.00-8.00pm
9th October Friday FEAST St John Henry Newman 6th Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of Bishop David Evans	2 Timothy 4:1-5 John 15:9-17 Public & Live streamed Mass 6.30pm Father Paddy Stanley Michael O'Gorman-RIP	Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm- followed by Mass 6.30pm
10th October Saturday St Paulinus of York/ Ss Denis & Companions/ St John Leonardi	Isaiah 25:6-10 Philippians 4:12-14,19-20 Matthew 22:1-14 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Marie Dipple-Intention & Bob Dipple-RIP Margaret Hughes-Intention 2.30pm Wedding -Holly Darkins and Joseph Patrick Henry	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confession 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass
11th October Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Prisons Week	Isaiah 25:6-10 Philippians 4:12-14,19-20 Matthew 22:1-14 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Anita Kielbasa-Intention 11.00am Andrew & Marina 15th Wedding Anniversary All People of the Parish	Tea /Coffee available after both Masses

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi (Prayer for Peace)

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. Amen.

Please pray for: Father Christopher Fitzpatrick, Christopher Jeffrey Pedley, Catherine Philomena Kenny, (Requiem 8th October 12pm; Reception Wednesday 7th October 6pm), William Charles Moore (Requiem Friday 16th October 11.45am; Reception Thursday 15th October 6pm), Philip Gartland, Bob Dipple, Tony Duffy, Pat Costello, Paul Ralph Stokes, Patricia Murphy, Patricia Ann Sheasby (Woodlands Crematorium Chapel Wednesday 28th October 12.00 noon), Dorothy Reynard and Bridget McNamara who died recently.

Also, Norah Avery, Eileen Dewar, Patrick Gill, Mary Florence Webb, David Leslie Wenlock, Roger Stanley Oldfield, Father John Fitzpatrick, Christina Pugh, Mary Cusack, Michael Joseph Hyland, Keith Frettsome, Valerie Turner, Maimie O'Connor, Helena Bartoszewicz, Eileen Joyce Doyle, 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 Amanda Felton and Veronica Walsh. 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 if you have any concerns.

This Church live streams Mass and other events. Please see notices in Church for more details.

Date for your diary: Saturday 10th October-Catechists and would-be Catechists, a gathering at Erdington Abbey. 10am for 10.30am start, finishing at 3.30pm with Prayer & Benediction. Please bring a packed lunch. Cost £5.