

**SAINT AUGUSTINE
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CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD Year C 5th JANUARY 2025

Dear Parishioners, 'Christ is revealed to all peoples. Wise men from the east guided by a star came to worship Christ. In them we see the homage of all the nations to Christ who is for ever the light of the world. We too can become an epiphany- a revealing- of God if we lead full Christian lives.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I warmly welcome, on your behalf, Bishop David Evans, to our 11am Mass this Sunday. Bishop David will be here to baptise Keith Shing-Kam Yip and along with Keith, to Confirm and Receive into Full Communion Tracey Washbrooke, Adam Jones and Carol Jones. We offer them our prayerful congratulations, along with their sponsors and families. **We offer our renewed** thanks for your prayerful participation in the Christmas Masses and for your gifts, prayers and Christmas Offerings.

This weekend we will have a Bucket Collection to supplement the Christmas Crib Offerings. We are supporting the following charities: S.C.A.H (Solihull Churches Action on Homelessness), LIFE and Friends of the Holy Land.

Father Fred Sheldon who died recently will be having his Requiem Mass here at St Augustine's on Wednesday 22nd January at 12.00 Midday. Father will be received into Church on Tuesday 21st January at 6pm.

After the Requiem Mass we will have a buffet in the Parish Hall. We would ask if you would kindly provide items of food for the buffet. There is a list in the main porch for you to sign, indicating what items of food you are able to provide.

The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 16th January from 7.30pm-9.00pm. If you wish to attend, please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

I will be taking a post-Christmas holiday this coming week.

For emergency sick calls, please contact: Olton Friary on: 0121 706 0505 or Our Lady of the Wayside on : 0121 744 1967'

Diocesan Directories are on sale in both porches-£3.50

Pope Francis opened the Jubilee Year of 2025 on December 24th in Rome. We have some special Jubilee Booklets available in both porches. Do please take one. For further details and resources for the Jubilee Year please visit the diocesan website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jubilee-year

For those of our young Parishioners who wish to be prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation, Meetings will take place on Tuesdays 5pm-6pm beginning Tuesday 25th February 2025.

Meditation Group in the parish Meeting Room at Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Church Acocks Green at 1.00 PM. It is an opportunity to be still and to experience how much we are loved by God. You are most welcome to come and join us: Monday 13th January; 27th January; 10th February; 24th February; 10th March; 24th March; 7th April 2025.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP-gather on the first Sunday of the month for prayer, conversation and encouragement of one another. This is not a counselling group; but the group promise good listening skills, respect for confidentiality and a cuppa. Time : 3pm-4.30pm; Friary Lounge Olton Friary, St Bernard's Road, B92 7BL. For further information please speak to Bro Gerard on 0121 706 0505 or contact Noleen Walsh on 0121 706 5184.

Jubilee Year: The theme for the Jubilee Year is "Pilgrims of Hope". As part of the Jubilee Year we will be undertaking Pilgrimages. One idea is for us to visit the Catholic Churches in our neighbourhood. There are also the annual Diocesan Pilgrimages to Walsingham, Evesham, Hednesford, Harvington and Lourdes. Further details to follow.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Anne Deary	Lali Ratnaraja
Trevor Windle	Danny Meadows	Kevin McDaid	Jonathan Williams	Michael	Eve
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	Briege Williams	Angela Hyland	Steve Homer
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Molly Saunders	Mike Sassano	Mary & Amanda	Aoife Cook
Rosemary Knowles	Eilish, Tony & Angela Duffy		Delbert Manorina	Breda Fleming	Pat Hurst
Father Michael White	Father Tony Rohan		Benjamin Wort	Patrick Hickey	Callum Graham
Ian Sanchez,	Father Andrew McCann,		Juliana Benjamin,	Bridget McNamara	Trish Embley
Ellen Gilmore	Doreen and Wilson Cotton		Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Donnell		

Season 4 of the Chosen starting every Wednesday at St George and St Teresa 7.30pm. Conference Room Church Hall. Refreshments will be provided.


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

www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Offertory Collection: Gift Aid:£191:85 Loose £814:92 Total £1,006:77

Bucket Collection this weekend to supplement Crib Offerings

READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Saturday 4 th Jan 12.30pm Uchechi	Sunday 5 th January 9am	Sunday 5 th January 11am
Saturday 11 th Jan 12.30pm Bernard	M Coburn	A Kelly
Sunday 5 th Jan 9am T Choi	Sunday 12 th January 9am	Sunday 12 th January 11am
Sunday 5 th Jan 11am Emanuella	M Hallissey	J Hickey
Sunday 12 th Jan 9am MC Barbour		
Sunday 12 th Jan 11am Cecilia		

<p>4th January Saturday</p>	<p>Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6 Matthew 2:1-12 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Canon John McKenna-Sp Intention John & Elizabeth Ward -RIP & Sean Ward-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after Mass Holy Hour 11am-12.00noon Confession 11am-12 noon</p>
<p>SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</p> <p>5th January</p>	<p>Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6 Matthew 2:1-12 Public & Live streamed Mass</p> <p>9.00am All People of the Parish Jo Duffield-Intentions 11.00am Mary Ryan-RIP Anne & Pat McGowan-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p> 
<p>6th January Monday</p> <p>Christmas Feria</p>	<p>1 John 3:22-4:6 Matthew 4:12-17,23-25 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Baby Justin Crisanto Breeze-Birthday Father Joseph-Intention</p>	
<p>7th January Tuesday</p> <p>Christmas Feria</p> <p>St Raymond of Penyafort</p>	<p>1 John 4:7-10 Mark 6:34-44 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Piedade Gurjao-RIP Brendan lavery-RIP</p>	<p>Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am</p>
<p>8th January Wednesday</p> <p>Christmas Feria</p>	<p>1 John 4:11-18 Mark 6:45-52 Luke 2:16-21 Public and Live streamed Mass 11.30am Vera & Ron Manton-RIP</p>	<p>Confession 10.45am-11.15am</p>
<p>9th January Thursday</p> <p>Christmas Feria</p>	<p>1 John 4:19-5:4 Luke 4:14-22 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Dorothy Hall & Jackie Lemmon-RIP</p>	
<p>10th January Friday</p> <p>Christmas Feria</p>	<p>1John 5:5-13 Luke 5:12-16 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Maureen Seager-RIP 6.30pm Marian Williams-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5,15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass -6,30pm</p>
<p>11th January Saturday</p> <p>Christmas Feria</p>	<p>Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7 Acts 10:34-38 Luke 3:15-16, 21-22 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Kathleen Lunham-RIP Irene Jean Clegg-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00 noon Confessions 11am-12.00pm</p>
<p>Feast of the baptism of the Lord</p> <p>12th January</p>	<p>Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7 Acts 10:34-38 Luke 3:15-16, 21-22 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Sheila Kerrigan-RIP</p> <p>11.00am Michael & Cathy Kenny-Intention</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>



The Epiphany

**O God,
by your heavenly star,
you guided those who were wise**

to your beloved Son, Jesus Christ

**May your blessing come to rest on our home and all of us.
Make our lives wise with your wisdom,
true to your teaching,
and enlivened by your love.
May your Word made flesh
make his home among us. Amen.**



Please pray for: Father Fred Sheldon, (Reception Tuesday 21st January 6pm; Requiem Wednesday 22nd January 12.00 noon) Noel Homes, Terence Patrick Wright (Robin Hood 10th January 9.30am), Raphael Lee, Agatha Sant, Michael Murtagh, Laura Bourke (Sr Chantal) formerly St Peter's School, Bernadette Carbery, Adrian Fretsome, Teresita Moriani who died recently.

Also, Margaret Priestley, Catherine Donnelly, Archibald Ruddock, Daniel Anthony Devlin, Pauline Anne Freeman, Thomas Kennedy, John Preston, Patrick McCann, Patrick Joseph O'Reilly, Dorothy Hall, Pasqualina Di Prizio, John Murphy, Bernard Shenlock, Lily Park, Joan Applin, Kathleen Patricia Lunham, Elizabeth Dickinson, Brenda Meixner, 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 Sue 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.

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