

**SAINT AUGUSTINE  
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**Fr Dominic Kavanagh    Father Joseph Narikuzhi    Deacon Kevin O'Connor**

Second Sunday in Lent 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023

**Dear Parishioners**, 'Jesus is transfigured in glory. On the high mountain Jesus is transfigured in the presence of his apostles. His message to them: 'Do not be afraid' reminds us that when God calls us, we must bear the hardships of this life in the knowledge that Christ is everything. For him we are prepared to leave behind all things in order to proclaim his Gospel.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**Father Dominic writes:** 'Dear Parishioners, Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I thank you sincerely for your generous gifts and donations to our Spring Fayre for the relief of the victims of the recent Turkish and Syrian Earthquake. We do hope that you will be able to come along either on Saturday afternoon between 1.00-4.00pm or on Sunday morning after each of the Masses to support the Fayre. Thank you to all our stall holders and organisers and to all who have baked cakes and donated.

**This Sunday** morning, we welcome our young Parishioners from year 5 of St Augustine's School who will be helping at the 9am Mass. We also welcome the children's Sacramental choir and those helping and participating in the children's liturgy.

**The next baptismal** preparation evening will take place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in the Presbytery. If you wish to attend please let Mrs Mary Clark or one of the clergy know. Please note change of evening. **On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March** we have the Memory Box Café from 2pm-3.30pm. This is for those with Dementia, for their carers and family members and for any elderly Parishioner. It is a very enjoyable social occasion.

**The parents of** our children preparing for their First Holy Communion are invited to attend a Meeting in the Parish Hall either on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm. We have requested free car-parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park. Please let Year 3's Teacher or Miss Libby Service or one of the clergy know which Meeting you will be attending.

**Please remember** in your prayers those who are receiving Instruction in the Catholic Faith at the present moment and who will be baptised and received in to Full Communion at the Easter Vigil or during the Easter Season.

**One of our Parishioners, Mr James Oliver**, is undertaking CAFOD's Lenten Walk. If you are able to sponsor James please visit: <https://cafod.enthuse.com/pf/james-oliver> If anyone wishes to join James on his walks, please contact him on:

[james.church@jamesoliver1973.plus.com](mailto:james.church@jamesoliver1973.plus.com)

<p>4th March Saturday St Casimir</p>	<p>Genesis 12:1-4 2 Timothy 1:18-20 Matthew 17:1-9 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Bridie Doyle-RIP Rose Boyle- Intention</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm</p>
<p>5th March SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT</p>	<p>Genesis 12:1-4 2 Timothy 1:18-20 Matthew 17:1-9 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am Brendan Mullin-RIP All People of the Parish 11.00am Michael Molloy_RIP Members of the Owens &amp; Deery Families-Living &amp; Deceased</p>	
<p>6th March Monday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Daniel 9:4-10 Luke 6:36-38 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Siobhan McNally-Thanksgiving Father William Webb-RIP</p>	
<p>7th March Tuesday Lent Feria Ss Perpetua &amp; Felicity</p>	<p>Isaiah 1:10,16-20 Matthew 23:1-12 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Daniel Lacey-RIP Mary Ann Amon-RIP</p>	<p>Baptismal Preparation Evening 7.30pm in the Presbytery</p>
<p>8th March Wednesday</p>	<p>Jeremiah 18:18-20 Matthew 20:17-28 Public &amp; Live streamed Masses 11.30am Margaret Hedges-RIP Tom &amp; Natalie -Intentions</p>	<p>Confessions 10.45-11.15am Lectio Divina' at 7.30pm To join in the Meeting please email Helen Brookes who will forward you the link to join the Meeting. Helen's email: <a href="mailto:ehb73@yahoo.co.uk">ehb73@yahoo.co.uk</a></p>
<p>9th March Thursday Lent Feria St Frances of Rome</p>	<p>Jeremiah 17:5-10 Luke 16:19-31 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Kathleen Cahill-RIP Kathleen Casserly-Intention</p>	<p>Memory Box Café 2.00-3.30pm</p>
<p>10th March Friday Lent Feria</p>	<p>Genesis 37:3-4,12-13,17-28 Matthew 21:33-43,45-46 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Joe Quinn-Intention 6.30pm Thanksgiving-Wiesia &amp; Szymon</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5.00pm-6.00pm Stations of the Cross 6pm-6.15pm</p>
<p>11th March Saturday</p>	<p>Exodus 17:3-7 Romans 5:1-2,5-8 John 4:5-42 Public Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Lali Ratnaraja-Intention Pauline Moody- Intention</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm</p>
<p>Third Sunday of Lent 12th March</p>	<p>Exodus 17:3-7 Romans 5:1-2,5-8 John 4:5-42 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am Michael Joseph Doolan-RIP &amp; Michael Patrick Doolan-RIP 11.00am Eddie Deery-RIP All People of Parish</p>	

Do you want to learn to pray and live the gospel? We are running the Prayer & Life Workshop at St Augustine's Parish Hall starting Saturday 25 March 2023 from 10am-12pm for 15 consecutive weeks. There will be a workshop guide speaking to us after masses weekend 11-12 March with more information and to answer any questions. It begins with a taster session so you're welcome to come to look and see. The workshop is a service to the church led by lay people devised by Fr Ignacio Larranaga, a Spanish Capuchin priest. The aim is to give a methodical approach to prayer, a new openness to scripture and a practical approach to living the Christian life. Further information is also available on the Prayer & Life workshop website. [www.Prayerandlifeworkshopsuk.org](http://www.Prayerandlifeworkshopsuk.org)

**We are very pleased that the Children's Liturgy** will be restarting at the 9am Mass. All children up to and including Year 2 children are welcome to attend. Initially, this will take place on Sundays when St Augustine's school choir will be singing: Sunday 5th March. It is hoped to increase the frequency of sessions if more volunteers can be found. Further details from Father Dominic or Kate Maddock.

**APF MISSION-** All APF mission box promoters and box holders are invited to St Chad's Cathedral for a Diocesan Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Bernard to celebrate Mission; followed by light refreshments in the Grimshaw Room at 12 noon-Saturday 11th March. Please confirm attendance with Franc Miller ( 0121 681 7031) for planning and catering.

We continue with our Bible Study course on Wednesday afternoons from 4.30-5.30pm. This is for all teenagers and is being led by Father Denis Carter, a Columban Father. All are welcome.

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE-** application forms may be found on the Diocesan website or requested from the Presbytery.

**HEAD TEACHER VACANCY- Our Lady of the Wayside School** -from September 2023. Closing date 10am 27th March. Information/application pack: [www.olaas.co.uk](http://www.olaas.co.uk) Any questions Peter Davis 07738013672

**"Being Human in Inhuman Institutions" Sunday March 12th at 2pm via Zoom.** We are very pleased to welcome Dr Amy Daughton, Associate Professor in Practical Theology at the University of Birmingham to give us this intriguingly titled talk. She will look at Pope Francis' encyclical, Fratelli Tutti and help us understand better the background to Pope Francis' call for a synodal Church. Amy was previously Director of Studies at the Margaret Beaufort Institute in Cambridge. This will be a Zoom meeting and the Zoom link will be sent out nearer the time. To register please email: [actabhm@gmail.com](mailto:actabhm@gmail.com).

Offertory Collection for 26th February : Gift Aid:£176:15 Loose £739:49 Total £915:64 Second Collection this week; CAFOD Family Fast Day Collection. Second Collection next week: Cathedral Maintenance

## READERS

## Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 4th March 12.30pm M.Green	Sunday 5th March 9am	Sunday 5th March 11am
Saturday 11th March 12.30pm T.Duffy	J.Powers	J.Hickey
Saturday 18th March 12.30pm T.Cund		
Saturday 25th Mar 12.30pm M.Green	Sunday 12th March 9.am	Sunday 12th March 11am
Saturday 1st April 12.30pm T.Duffy	M.Coburn	A.Keating
Sunday 5th Mar 9.00am SCHOOL Yr 5	Sunday 19th March 9am	Sunday 19th March 11am
Sunday 5th March 11am J.Benjamin	M.Hallissy	H.Brookes
Sunday 12th March 9.00am Finbar, Joe & Cormac	Sunday 26th March 9am	Sunday 26th March 11am
Sunday 12th March 11am M.Keating	T.Nettikkadan	B.Ngala

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish,	Tony Duffy	Fr Fred Sheldon	Mary Ryan	William Moran
Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Esther Brasil	Anne Deary
Trevor Windle	Danny Meadows	John Doyle	Kevin McDaid	Sue Hodrien	Don Deneny
Patricia Mann	Paul Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	John White
Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans	Gillian Jones	Catherine Walton	Harry Conlon	Eileen Nolan
James Brown	John McCarthy	Kath Reidy	Mary Johnson	Savio Baretto	Eileen Keaton
Christopher Edmund Poole	for protection and peace in the Mbag Family			Eve	Roger Cox
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Thelma Cole	Molly Saunders	Roger Cox	Mike Sassano Rosemary Knowles

## SEVEN LAST WORDS OF JESUS'

### Reflection 2

#### 'Woman, this is your son'

'Woman, this is your son.' 'Son, this is your mother.' In His agony on the cross, Jesus reaches out to comfort His mother and the beloved disciple. 'Woman this is your son.' He commended her to His disciple; she would be safe and cared for all her life. The disciple also would find strength and comfort in her care for him.

But there is more.

Jesus is forming a new family, the family of the Church. The beloved disciple represents the whole Church, born from the blood and water which flowed from His pierced side. Jesus commends the beloved disciple, and therefore us to the care of His mother; asking her to recognise us as her precious children. To us too Jesus says, 'behold your mother.' The disciple responded by taking Mary into his home.

**How do we respond to such a precious gift?**

**Where is Mary's place in our hearts and lives?**

#### Prayer

Hail Mary, full of grace, The Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women,

And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, mother of God, Pray for us sinners,

Now and at the hour of our death. Amen

**'We call her mother, because she truly is, and thus she is now our mother in our time of need.'**

This reflection is with reference to and with quotations from, 'Seven Last Words,' by

Cardinal Basil Hume.

Please pray for: Margaret Johnston Kirkpatrick, Gillott(Funeral Service Robin Hood, Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 12.30pm) ,Maria Viani (Marisa's Mother),Patrick Joseph Ryan (Father of Rebecca and Joseph): (Requiem Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 9.45am; Reception, Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 5pm) Father Garry Byrne, who died recently.

Also, Dermot McKenna, Mary Adkins, John McIntyre, Patrick Joseph Gallagher, William O'Dwyer, Doris Hart, Lee Farrell, Bernard Wasley, Hilda Corbett, Jenny Parsons James Bernard Hope, Anne Bernadette O'Driscoll, Margaret Marion Berry, Thomas Masterson, Pamela Marie Quinlan Francis, Alice Butler, Baby Edward Hemming, Raymond Gamble, Anthony Dean, Kathleen Mary Lyddiatt and all with anniversaries at this time.

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