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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER Year B DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 7th April 2024

Dear Parishioners, 'Our faith is the victory over the world. We believe that Jesus Christ rose from the dead. It is this faith that Jesus is the Son of God which helps us to overcome the world with its temptations and doubts. We have not seen yet we believe. We acknowledge that Christ is our Lord and our God.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I renew our thanks for your prayerful attendance and support of the Holy Week and Easter ceremonies. Our thanks to all of you who contributed in any way to making them so uplifting and inspiring. Thank you also for your cards, gifts, the offering of Mass and generous Easter offerings. May the light of the risen Christ shine through in everything you say or do.'

This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday, a Feast instituted by St John Paul II in the year 2000. A priest writes: 'We can confidently say that divine mercy is not a definite moment in time but a person, the Word who was made flesh and dwelt among us and who has risen in glory.'

Please pray for Tully Booker who is to be baptised into the family of the Church this weekend. Your prayers are also asked for Yu Hin Alvin Lau and his wife, Chiu Yan Yeung, who are to be baptised, confirmed and received into Full Communion during the 12.30pm Mass this Saturday. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 2nd May between 7.30pm and 9pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome to attend.

We wish our parents, pupils, teachers, staff and governors a very fruitful summer term. **Deacon Kevin** invites parents to join him in the Sunshine Room on the Tuesdays of this half term between 8.50am and 9.30am to reflect on the gift of Faith. **The Confirmation Meetings** recommence this Tuesday at 5pm in the Presbytery.

We express our prayerful congratulations to John and Anne Moran who have recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary and to Margaret Hughes on reaching milestone '80'.

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

www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk These events include a Diocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage which will take place on Saturday 4th May at 12.00 noon. Archbishop Bernard will be the principal celebrant. Please register attendance by Sunday 21st April. There are other interesting events and jobs and volunteering.

Sister Helen Omeje has contacted us to express her thanks and appreciation for your generous response to her recent appeal.

Please note Mass on Thursday is a Requiem for Maria Sharples at 11am; no 10am Mass on this day.

A reminder to members of the Parish Pastoral Council, that we meet on Sunday 28th April after the 11am mass. I am pleased that we have begun this undertaking. Please keep its progress in your prayers.

St Augustine’s Community Café will take place on Monday 15th April between 11.30am and 1.30pm. All are welcome. Do please spread the word.

FIRST FIVE SATURDAY FATIMA DEVOTION For peace in the world. On 13 July 1917 Our Lady requested “The Communion of reparation [by the Church] on the First Saturdays”.

Many people have chosen to leave a gift in their Will to CAFOD and these generous donations fund one third of CAFOD’s long-term support to help people out of poverty . For more information and to take up CAFOD’s free will writing offer go to www.cafod.org.uk/give/leave-a-gift-in-your-will/free-will-service

Meditation –this is one way to pray. It is an opportunity to be still and experience how much we are loved by God. The Meditation is taking place on Monday 15th April Monday 27th May and Monday 1st July. It takes place at 1.00pm in the Parish Meeting Room at Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Acocks Green. Everyone is welcome.

Marriage Care, a Catholic organisation providing support and counselling for married couples, and marriage preparation days/evening, are wishing to recruit volunteers for their work. They are based at St Joseph’s Centre, at Holy Souls Church, Acocks Green. If you would like to know more, please speak to a member of the Marriage Care Team on- 0800 389 3801.

JOB VACANCIES: Administration Support Officer; St Augustine’s Classroom Teacher, Deputy Diocesan Solicitor, St Pauls School RE Teacher; For each vacancy, please see details on Notice Board

Offertory Collection: Gift Aid £274 Loose £ Total:£274 Collection for Holy Places: £720


READERS

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 6 th April 12.30pm T Cund	Sunday 7 th April 9am	Sunday 7 th April 11am
Saturday 13 th April 12.30pm Bernard	M Hallissey	B Ngala
Sunday 7 th April 9am C Ramsey		
Sunday 7 th April 11am ???	Sunday 14 th April 9am	Sunday 14 th April 11am
	M Coburn	A Kelly
Sunday 14 th April 9am M C Barbour		
Sunday 14 th April 11am H Cettler		

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	Eileen Doyle	Kevin McDaid
Don Deneny	Jonathan Williams	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	Eve
Roger Cox	Christopher Edmund Poole	Liam Lewis	Joseph Wong	Briege Williams
Angela Hyland	Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Thelma Cole	Molly Saunders
Mike Sassano	Mary & Amanda	Rosemary Knowles	Eilish, Tony & Angela Duffy,	
Joan Doyle,	Sek Cheung.			

<p>6th April Easter Saturday</p> <p>Solemnity</p>	<p>Public & Live streamed Mass Acts 4:32-35 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31 12.30pm Michael Crook-RIP Susan Joyce- RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00noon Confession 11am-12 noon Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p>7th April</p> <p>SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER</p> <p>DIVINE MERCY</p>	<p>Public & Live streamed Masses Acts 4:32-35 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31</p> <p>9.00am Margretta Cheung-RIP All People of the Parish</p> <p>11.00am Ann & John Moran- 60th Wedding Anniversary Liz Taylor-Birthday</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p> 
<p>8th April Monday</p> <p>SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD</p> <p><i>Transferred from March 25th</i></p>	<p>Isaiah 7:10-14,8:10 Hebrews 10:4-10 Luke 1:26-38 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Father Paul Devaney-RIP Kathleen & Tommie O'Neill-RIP</p>	
<p>9th April Tuesday</p> <p>Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 4:32-37 John 3:7-15 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Eamonn Horgan-RIP Mary Doody-RIP</p>	<p>Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am</p>
<p>10th April Wednesday</p> <p>Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 5:17-26 John 3:16-21 Public and Live streamed Mass 11.30am Patrick & Kathleen Kavanagh-RIP Josephine McAuley-RIP</p>	<p>Confession 10.45am-11.15am Lectio Divina 7.30pm Gilljones1952@gmail.com</p>
<p>11th April Thursday</p> <p>St Stanislaus Patron Saint of Poland</p>	<p>Public & Live streamed Mass Acts 53:27-33 John 3:31-36 11.00am Requiem Maria Ann Sharples Father Anthony De Vere-RIP</p>	
<p>12th April Friday</p> <p>Easter Feria</p>	<p>Public & Live streamed Masses Acts 5:34-42 John 6:1-15 10.00am Mr M.E. Connolly-RIP 6.30pm Holy Souls</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5,15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm</p>
<p>13th April Saturday</p> <p>St Martin 1</p>	<p>Public & Live streamed Mass Acts 3:13-15,17-19 1 John 2:1-5 Luke 24:35-48 12.30pm Rita Hiatt-RIP Anne McGowan-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00 noon Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p>14th April</p> <p>THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER</p>	<p>Public & Live streamed Masses Acts 3:13-15,17-19 1 John 2:1-5 Luke 24:35-48</p> <p>9.00am Ronaldo Manorina-RIP All People of the Parish</p> <p>11.00am Emma Wilson-RIP Sarah Griffiths-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>

Divine Mercy Sunday 7th April 2024

Our Lord's promise to grant complete forgiveness of sins and temporal punishment (purgatory) on the Feast of Mercy is recorded three times in the Diary of Saint Faustina. To fittingly observe the Feast of Mercy, we should:

1. Celebrate the Feast on the Sunday after Easter;
2. Sincerely repent of all our sins;
3. Place our complete trust in Jesus;
4. Go to Confession, preferably before that Sunday;
5. Receive Holy Communion on the day of the Feast;
6. Venerate the Image of The Divine Mercy;
7. Be merciful to others, through our actions, words, and prayers on their behalf.



Please pray for: Teresa Mary Jukes, Adrian Paul Flynn, Irene Margaret Petronella Nicholson, Maria Ann Sharples(Funeral Service 11th April 11am), Mary Ellen Drew (Service Yardley Crematorium 2.30pm,Monday 15th April.) Margaret Freeman, Margrett Cheung ,Raymond Pilkington, Emma Wilson , Stephen John McGrath, Alan Watts, Gretchen Dean, Patricia Belcher(Service Robin Hood, 1st May 11.30am)

who died recently.

Also, Raymond Charles Hughes, Edda Norton, Hannah Mulcahy, Janet Cronin, Gladys Winifred Campbell, Thomas Laurence O'Neill, Julia Anne Taylor, Bridie Coffey, Margaret Kathleen Floyd, Mary Farrell, Kathleen Harris, Teresa Waldron, Ann McGowan, Laurence Christopher Redmond, Sheelagh Margaret Orme, 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 Representative is Anne Ryder. She 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.