

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

2nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday YEAR B 11th April 2021

Dear Parishioners,

'We do not see yet we believe! God has created a new human family through His raising of Jesus Christ from the dead. It is our belief in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, which becomes the source of Christ's life within us. We do not see yet we believe. Our faith overcomes our doubts and we acknowledge the power of the risen Christ.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: 'Dear Parishioners, Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin (whom we are delighted to see back) and I wish you a very blessed Feast on this Divine Mercy Sunday. We express our sincere thanks for all the ways in which you have made Lent, Holy Week and Easter a very fruitful and grace-filled time in the life of our Parish and school communities

Thank you to our volunteers who have worked so hard so that we can come together publicly to celebrate Mass in as safe an environment as possible. Our thanks also to the members of the working group who co-ordinate our approach to the safe use of the Church and to our Parishioner who organises the Rotas.

Thank you to those who have beautified the Church, especially with the delightful arrangements of flowers. Thank you to our Choir Mistress and our organists and to our senior Altar Servers who have made a special contribution to the Holy Week Liturgies.


Thank you to all of you for your prayers and for having Mass offered for us; for your cards and gifts and generous Easter Offerings. You have shown great kindness and generosity and we are eternally grateful to you. We will in turn pray for your intentions and include them in the offering of the Mass.

Please remember in your prayers our young Parishioners preparing for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation on the following dates: Tuesday 27th April- the Sacrament of Reconciliation for those children being prepared by Miss Libby Service.

Saturday 8th May-Year 3 of St Augustine's School will celebrate their First Holy Communion at a 9.30am and 12.30pm Mass

Wednesday 16th June- Confirmation with Bishop David Evans.

We offer our prayerful congratulations to Mrs Marguerite Pearsall who has been admitted to the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. This is in recognition of Marguerite's prayerful and practical support of Christians living in the Holy Land. **We also offer** PTO

<p>10th April Easter Saturday</p>	<p>Acts 4:13-21 Mark 16:9-15 10.00am Public & Live streamed Mass Patrick & Kathleen Kavanagh-RIP</p> <p>Pat Galligan-RIP</p>	<p>Private Prayer 9.30am-10.00am Confessions after the 10.00am Mass</p>
<p>11th April 2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY</p>	<p>Acts 4:32-35 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31 9.00am Public & Live streamed Mass All People of the Parish</p> <p>Emma McManus-RIP 11.30am Public & Live streamed Mass</p> <p>Pat Ferris-RIP</p> <p>Mary McClave-RIP</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 11.00am-11.30am</p> 
<p>12th April Easter Feria Monday</p>	<p>Acts 4:23-31 John 3:1-8 10.00am Live streamed Mass Requiem Patrick Gallagher</p>	
<p>13th April Tuesday Easter Feria St Martin 1</p>	<p>Acts 4:32-37 John 3:7-15 12.00pm Live Streamed Mass Requiem Michael McGovern</p>	
<p>14th April Easter Feria Wednesday</p>	<p>Acts 5:17-26 John 3:16-21 11.30am Public & Live streamed Mass Crissie & Eamonn Commons</p> <p>Tom Joyce & Family-Intentions</p>	<p>Private Prayer 11.00am-11.30am Confessions 10.00am Lectio Divina 7.30pm</p>
<p>15th April Easter Feria Thursday</p>	<p>Acts 5:27-33 John 3:31-36 10.00am Live streamed Mass Maureen Gallagher</p> <p>Mick Dunleavy-RIP</p>	
<p>16th April Easter Feria Friday</p>	<p>Acts 5:34-42 John 6:1-15 10am Live streamed Mass Phelim McCaffrey-RIP</p> <p>Terese Carvale-Intention</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm</p>
<p>17th April Easter Feria Saturday</p>	<p>Acts 6:1-7 John 6:16-21 10.00am Public & Live streamed Mass Michael Patrick Doolan- RIP</p> <p>Catholic Handicapped Fellowship Oxford</p>	<p>Private Prayer 9.30am-10.00am Confessions after the 10.00am Mass</p>
<p>18th April Third Sunday of Easter</p>	<p>Acts 3:13-15,17-19 1 John 2:1-5 Luke 24:35-48 9.00am Public & Live streamed Mass Andrew Cousins/ Jimmy Lowe</p> <p>David Robert Stainer-RIP 11.30am Public & Live streamed Mass George Bramwell-Rushford-RIP</p> <p>All People of the Parish</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 11.00am-11.30am</p>

our prayerful congratulations to Jade Lauren Watts and Jean-Tiago Barros Cardoso who are to be married at St Augustine's on Saturday 1st May.

Lectio Divina. You are invited to a time of prayerful reflection on the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary starting this Wednesday 14th April at 7.30pm. If you wish to participate please email Helen Brookes who will send you the link. ehb73@yahoo.co.uk

Finally, do please remember in your prayers Patrick Gallagher and Michael McGovern whose Requiem Masses take place this Monday and Tuesday. Please remember their families in your prayers. **(NB** There will not be a 10am live streamed Mass on Tuesday morning.)”

The new boxes of Offertory envelopes are available for you in the main porch. Please do remember to collect them. **If any Parishioner** would like to use Offertory envelopes or to take out a standing order, please speak with Father Dominic or email the Parish Secretary (F.A.O. Miss Bernadette O'Donnell).

MARRIAGE MATTERS www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk Second Sunday of Easter (Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31) Doubt no longer Sometimes we are asked to trust our spouse implicitly despite the doubts that plague us. Can we believe them when something really important depends on it? Thomas needed proof of Jesus' wounds before believing. Jesus said: "Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe [and]...Doubt no longer but believe." It's important to believe and to decide to trust.

Bishop Challoner TSA is currently working with around 40 Primary and Secondary schools in the Birmingham area to help new teachers into the profession. Anyone is welcome to join for a free online information event on **Wednesday 28th April at 6pm** or **Thursday 13th May at 5pm** to find out more about the School Direct / PGCE route into this exciting and rewarding profession. See www.bctsa.org for details, or email teachingschool@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk.

Let Us Dream Pope Francis's reflections for the post-pandemic Church were published as a book under the title "Let Us Dream", just before Christmas. It is being widely used in parishes – it is a wonderful, challenging and inspiring book. Parishioners throughout the deanery are invited to join a Zoom group, reading and discussing it after Easter. There will be 4 sessions at fortnightly intervals, and a choice of either meeting on Monday afternoons or Friday evenings. The book is available online from Amazon at: [Amazon.co.uk : let us dream pope francis](https://www.amazon.co.uk/let-us-dream-pope-francis)

For more information, or to discuss it please email fr.robert.taylerson@rcaob.org.uk
Or phone 01564 772098 Fr Rob Taylerson (St George & St Teresa, Dorridge)

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ST AUGUSTINE'S SVP 'FRIENDS IN NEED' Do you know someone who needs the support of a phone call? Or a person or family going through hardship? Or perhaps you feel you could donate non-perishable food, drinks or toiletry items for people in need during these times? If so, please don't hesitate to phone or text the SVP on: 07568 508271.

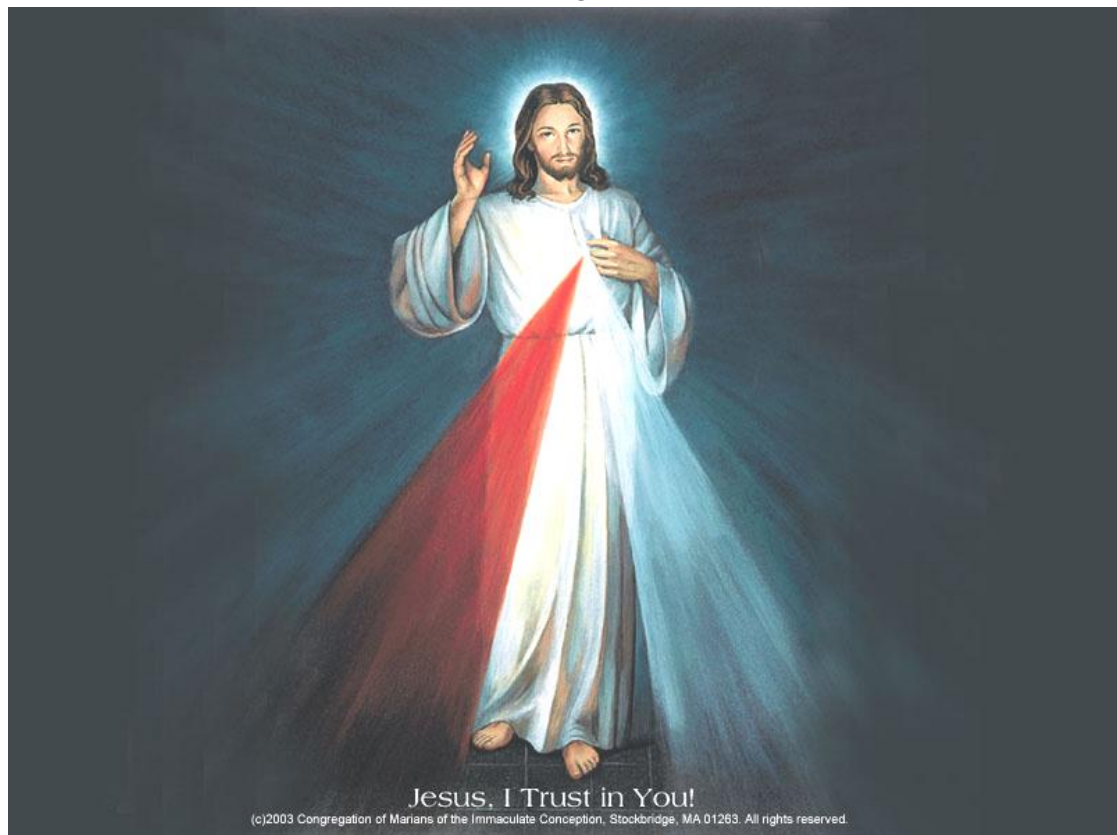
PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Keith Frettsome	Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish,	Tony Duffy	Martha Sheridan	Fr Fred	
Sheldon	Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Esther Brasil	Ken Bolton
Trevor Windle	Danny Meadows	John Doyle	Dan Doyle	Kevin McDaid	Sue Hodrien	
Patricia Mann	Paul Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	John White	
Diane Burgess	Kathleen Clark	Kathryn Farmer	Malachy Hanly	Sandra Evans	Roisin Brown	
Margaret Lennon	James Brown	John McCarthy	Kath Reidy	Deacon Kevin O'Connor	Eve	
Christopher Edmund Poole			for protection and peace in the Mbag Family	Amanda Stellfox		
Pat Brogan						

PRAYER FOR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Eternal God,
in whom mercy is endless
and the treasury of compassion
- inexhaustible,
look kindly upon us
and increase Your mercy in us,
that in difficult moments
we might not despair
nor become despondent,
but with great confidence
submit ourselves to Your holy will,
which is Love and Mercy itself.

Amen



Please pray for: Patrick Joseph Gallagher (Requiem Monday 12th April 10am) Michael McGovern (Requiem Tuesday 13th April, 12.00 noon; Reception Monday 12th April, 6pm) and Maureen Cody who died recently.

Also Bridie Coffey, Margaret Kathleen Floyd, Mary Farrell, Kathleen Harris, Teresa Waldron, Ann McGowan, Laurence Christopher Redmond, Sheelagh Margaret Orme, Dr Peter Loly, Dennis Joseph McLaughlin, James Stephen Devine, Jack O'Connor, Daniel Edward (Eddie) McAlear, Thomas Michael Hughes and all with anniversaries at this time.

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