

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

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 12th February 2023

Dear Parishioners, 'The Law of God is for man's happiness. God's ways are other than ours. When we try to penetrate deeper into the meaning of his laws, we realise that it is only his Spirit which will help us to plumb the depths of what he commands us. Jesus by his life-style is the fulfilment of the law. If we follow him, we will keep God's word. (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: 'Dear Parishioners, Father Joseph,(in his absence) Deacon Kevin and I join with you in offering our prayers for the victims of the earthquake in Syria and Turkey. It is heart-rending to hear and see what has taken place. In just three weeks' time we are planning a Spring Fayre which will co-incide with the return of the CAFOD Family fast Day envelopes. We will make the spring fayre the focus for our shared response to this tragedy. For this purpose we would welcome any saleable items (perhaps some unused Christmas gifts) cakes, preserves and plants. Please bring them along to the Sacristy/Presbytery at your convenience. If you wish to make a financial contribution immediately, please visit the CAFOD and/or the Aid to Church in Need websites.

The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 16th February at 7.30pm in the Presbytery. If you would like to attend please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy. The evening will last until 9pm as we are combing two baptismal evenings into one.

The SVP in conjunction with the school mini Vinnies are holding a cake sake and collection at today's Mass. They would be grateful for your support.

We welcome to our 9am Mass this Sunday morning the Children's Sacramental Choir. We are pleased that the Children's Liturgy will be restarting at the 9am Mass. All Children up to and including Year2 children are welcome to attend. Initially, this will take place on Sundays when St Augustine's School choir will be singing: Sunday 12th February and Sunday 5th March. It is hoped to increase the frequency of sessions if more volunteers can be found. Further details from Fr Dominic or Kate Maddock. **We invite our younger** teenagers of secondary school age to a course on the Bible on Wednesday afternoons between 4.30pm-5.30pm in St Augustine's Presbytery. The course will be given by Fr Denis Carter, a Columban Missionary. Please pray for God's blessing on this initiative. **Please note the Mass on Tuesday will start at 9.30am.** **St Augustine's Mothers** are holding a Ladies afternoon tea in Parish Hall on February 18th. Arrive 2:20 - 2:30pm finish 3:45 . Please bring a plate to share.

<p>11th February Saturday Our Lady of Lourdes World Day for the Sick</p>	<p>Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 Matthew 5:17-37 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Beatrice McCaffrey-</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm</p>
<p>12th February SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p>	<p>Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 Matthew 5:17-37 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.00am Anne & Joseph Marshall-RIP 11.00am Michael & Margaret Fitzmaurice</p>	
<p>13th February Monday Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Genesis 4:1-15,25 Mark 8:11-13 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Mary Gach-Intention</p>	
<p>14th February Tuesday FEAST St Cyril & St Methodius Day of Prayer for Europe</p>	<p>Acts 13:46-49 Luke 10:1-9 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Mary Dzuibek-Intention</p>	
<p>15th February Wednesday Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Genesis 8:6-13 Mark 8:22-26 Public & Live streamed Masses 11.30am Shulaam Dastbeer-RIP</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: ehb73@yahoo.co.uk</p>
<p>16th February Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Genesis 9:1-13 Mark 8:27-33 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Margaret Hedges-RIP</p>	<p>Baptismal Preparation Evening 7.30pm Presbytery</p>
<p>17th February Friday Seven Founders of the Order of Servants of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p>	<p>Genesis 11:1-9 Mark 8:34-9:1 Public and Live streamed Mass 6.30pm Patrick Ryan-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm</p>
<p>18th February Saturday</p>	<p>Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 Matthew 5:38-48 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Lisa & Esther-Intentions</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm</p>
<p>Sunday 19th February Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Day for the Unemployed</p>	<p>Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 Matthew 5:38-48 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am Sarah Lebutt-RIP 11.00am All People of the Parish</p>	

COME AND SEE WEEKEND, 24-26 FEBRUARY 2023 The Sacred Heart Fathers and Brothers (Betharram) invite young men to a 'Come and See Weekend' to Explore the Gift of Vocation to the Religious Life and Priesthood. The Weekend will take from Friday (Evening) 24 to after lunch on Sunday 26 February 2023 at Shallowford House Retreat Centre, Shallowford, Stone, Staffordshire, ST15 0NZ. A poster is available via the diocesan intranet. For more information please contact: Br Andrew Ferris, SCJ email: Br.andrewscj@holynome.org.uk Fr Wilfred Joseph, SCJ email: Wilfred15@hotmail.com

LIFE CHARITY TRAINING COURSES Life Charity run a successful training centre offering qualification in counselling skills. These courses are useful for anyone who would like to develop their counselling skills for use in either their work, volunteer or personal capacity. These qualifications are also useful for those who wish to progress towards further qualifications or move towards roles in health and social care, children's care or community work. More information is available: <https://learn.lifecharity.org.uk>.

RETRouvaille -Retrouvaille is a programme for couples who are having difficulties in their marriages. The next face-to-face Retrouvaille programme is the weekend 24-26 February 2023 in Welwyn Garden City. Retrouvaille would really value your help in bringing these programmes to the attention of the people of your parish. You may know of couples who really need help in their marital relationship. If so, please let them know about Retrouvaille. The good news is that couples who attend the programme, where both really work at it, have, in the ministry's experience, an 85% success rate even when they are separated or already divorced but want to try again. For details: www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Lourdes Pilgrimage- application forms may be found on the Diocesan website or requested from the Presbytery.

The showing of the 'Chosen' continues on Thursday evenings at the earlier time of 7pm. All are welcome. Free car-parking has been requested in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park.

'When the Law Takes Sides'- A layer's guidance for pro-lifers. Come and listen to Jeremiah Igunnubole, legal counsel for ADF, explain the implications of buffer zones/PSPOs and how we can respond. Sunday 19th Feb 3.30pm at the Parish Hall of St Joseph and St Helen's RC Church, Station Road, Kings Norton B30 1JG. For details contact Isabel: 07773 501721

Offertory Collection for 5th February : Gift Aid:£168 Loose £919:47 Total £1,087:47 Second collection last week: Racial Justice £287:65 Second Collection next week: LIFE

READERS

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 11 th Feb 12.30pm M.Green	Sunday 12 th February 9am	Sunday 12 th February 11am
Saturday 18 th Feb 12.30pm T.Duffy	D.Nettikkadan	A.Kelly
Saturday 25 th Feb 12.30pm T.Cund		
Saturday 4 th March 12.30pm M.Green		
Sunday 12 th Feb 9.00am M.Coburn	Sunday 19 th February 9am	Sunday 19 th February 11am
Sunday 12 th Feb 11am C.Hodrien	M.Hallissey	B.Ngala
Sunday 19 th Feb 9.00am M.Pearsall	Sunday 26 th February 9am	Sunday 26 th February 11am
Sunday 19 th Feb 11.00am M.Watts	T.Nettikkadan	E.Duffy
Sunday 26 th Feb 9.00am C.Ramsey	Sunday 5 th March 9am	Sunday 5 th March 11am
Sunday 26 th Feb 11am H.Cettler	J.Powers	J.Hickey

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	Noreen O'Connor	Mary Johnson	Savio Baretto
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
Eileen Keaton					

OUR LADY OF LOURDES February 11th

*O Immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy,
you are the refuge of sinners, the health of the sick,
and the comfort of the afflicted. You know my wants, my troubles,
my sufferings. By your appearance at the Grotto of Lourdes
you made it a privileged sanctuary.
where your favours are given to people, streaming to it from the
whole world. Over the years countless sufferers
have obtained the cure for their infirmities -
whether of soul, mind, or body. Therefore, I come to you
with limitless confidence to implore your motherly intercession.
Obtain, O loving Mother, the grant of my requests.
Through gratitude for Your favours,
I will endeavour to imitate Your virtues,
that I may one day share in Your glory. Amen.*

Father Hudson's Care are seeking further Host families to support our Ukranian Guests. If you are able to host an individual/family please email Liudmyla Sadova, Ukranian Refugees' Support Coordinator at: liudmylasadova@fatherhudsons.org.uk

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2023 Friday 3rd March St Alphege, Solihull Drop in between 10am-2.30pm for private prayer inspired by prayer stations. See poster in porch for details.

Please pray for: Margaret Johnston Kirkpatrick, Gillott (Funeral Service Robin Hood, Friday 10th March 12.30pm) Brendan McCartney, Roisin Helen Brown, Margaret Hayde, Michael Kelly, Father Garry Byrne, Margaret Brennan, Ditoza Severina Pereira, Eileen Teevan, Dolly Murphy, Sarah Crehan who died recently.

Also, Mary Gertner, Bernard Powell, Dreda Wheatley, Halima Peace, James Joseph Millane, Maria Grazia Rizzo, Anna & Bernard Czepukojc, Joyce Matilda Volante, Tony Roberts, Joyce Elizabeth Power, Margareta Josephine McKevitt, Baby Eve Fox, Terence Albert Shaw, Mary Margaret Hedges, Peter James Cole, Norah Keating, Thomas Finneran, Bernard Joseph Concannon, Elizabeth Anne Howitt, Carole Ann Akel, and all with anniversaries at this time.

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