## SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# Fr Dominic Kavanagh Fr Paul Devanev Deacon Kevin O'Connor SOLEMNITY OF SAINT PETER & SAINT PAUL YEAR A 28th June 2020

#### Dear Parishioners,

'The Keys of the kingdom. Christ promised to remain forever with His Church through Peter the head of the apostles. The Lord rescued Peter from the hatred of Herod and always comes to the aid of His Church against which the forces of evil will never win. Paul is the apostle of the Gentiles so that the Good News is spread throughout the whole world. Christ is with us too as we witness to His power in our lives. In this way we pray that the world may learn to believe in Jesus Christ.'(Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.

Father Dominic writes: 'Dear Parishioners, It was such a joy to have the Church reopened on Wednesday for private prayer and to see you entering into the Lord's house. We will continue to open for private prayer on Wednesdays and Sundays between 10.30am and 12.30pm. Do remember however, that if you are elderly and/or with underlying health conditions it is better not to come to Church for the time being. This will also apply when the time comes for us to celebrate a public Mass once again. We will have to think carefully how best to implement the celebration of Mass, bearing in mind the guidelines we receive from the Archbishop. The Archbishops have written to us on this subject and I will make available on the website and in Church, copies for you. I am very grateful for the help I have received from the team of Parishioners who have come together to plan the reopening. We are also very grateful for all who have volunteered in any way to help with us going forward. We would welcome more volunteers for stewarding and cleaning. If you are able to help please contact Mrs Madeleine Coburn on- 0121 603 8997 or email: <a href="mailto:mtcoburn@virginmedia.com">mtcoburn@virginmedia.com</a>

From this Sunday, the Solemnity of St Peter and St Paul, we will be live-streaming our daily Mass. We will try to offer a private Mass at the following times: Sunday and Wednesday 9.30am. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 10am. Once we begin to celebrate Mass publicly the weekend Mass times may change. Our thanks once again to our benefactor who has paid for the installation of the equipment in order for us to live-stream Mass. In order to access the live streaming please go to the Parish website and click on the link.

We offer our prayerful congratulations to Mrs Anne Cooper who celebrates her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June.'

27th June Saturday Feria in Ordinary Time St Cyril of Alexandria	Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19 Matthew 8:5-17  Deceased members of the Mullen & McNamara Families	
28th June SOLEMNITY OF SS PETER &PAUL	Rumbold Family-Intentions  Acts 12:1-11 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18  Matthew 16:13-19  Anne Cooper-Birthday  Thomas Reidy-RIP	
29th June Monday Feria in Ordinary Time	Amos 2:6-10,13-16 Noreen Porter-RIP  Lily May-RIP	
30th June Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church	Amos 3:1-8,4:11-12 Matthew 8:23-27 Nancy Howes-RIP Rene Rainey-RIP	
1st July Wednesday Feria in Ordinary Time St Oliver Plunkett	Amos 5:14-15,21-24 Matthew 8:28-34  John Patrick O'Donnell-RIP  Colette Hickey-Family-Intention	
2nd July Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time	Amos 7:10-1 7 Matthew 9:1-8 Father Paul-Intention  Frank Cooney-RIP	
3rd July Friday FEAST St Thomas	Ephesians 2:19-22 John 20:24-29 Father Dominic-Anniversary of Ordination  Caroline Fletcher-RIP	
4th July Saturday Feria in Ordinary Time St Elizabeth of Portugal	Amos 9:11-15 Maura-Thanksgiving  Margaret Driscoll-RIP	
5th July  Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary  Time	Zechariah 9:9-10 Romans 8:9,11-13 Matthew 11:25-30  Kay & Tony Perry-RIP	
	Michael Joseph Doolan-Birthday	

MARRIAGE MATTERS <u>www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk</u> Saints Peter and Paul (Acts 12:1-11 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 Matthew 16:13-19) The power of love - Peter, the denier, and Paul, the persecutor, both familiar with failure, were overwhelmed by the power of love and gave up their own lives. Let us rejoice in our calling to love as Jesus did, to lay down our lives for each other, willingly and gladly. Our lives might be the only Bible that some people will ever read.

**THANK YOU-** to those of you who have contributed to the Parish financially over these last weeks. It is very much appreciated.

The Archdiocese is seeking a voluntary part time Trust Secretary to assist the Trustees in good "corporate practices". Details can be found on <a href="https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jobs">www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jobs</a> and on the parish website.

**FOOD BANK-** The Christian Renewal Centre, in Lode lane, have kept their food bank open during lock down. They would appreciate non-perishable foods. If you can help please put food in to their orange bins outside their centre in Lode Lane.

**CAFOD** We are facing an unprecedented emergency in every country we work in; and we are also mindful, each day, of people in our own Catholic community here in England and Wales who are unable to attend Mass; people worried and overstretched; of those who have tragically lost loved ones, and of those who were already enduring loneliness and are now in isolation. We need to respond in faith, hope and love. And so in faith, hope and love, we are reaching out to you. We know all too well that things are far from straightforward in all our parishes right now. We, as a global family, have never faced a crisis of this magnitude –in our own communities, and those communities CAFOD works with. But the scale is unimaginable in the most vulnerable communities of our world, and so as of today, we are appealing for support for our emergency response. Those communities with nothing, who have everything stacked against them, - our brothers and sisters - have never needed your love and support so much.

<u>cafod.org.uk/parishes</u> has a two-minute video message from me about the appeal

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

Keith Frettsome Martin Yates Virginia Gregory, Angela, Eilish, Tony Duffy Martha Sheridan Joan Kennedy Roberto Cordora Kevin Fahy Sandy Simia Adam Cole Sue Hodrien Colette Hickey **Trevor Windle** Danny Meadows Anne(Eithne) O'Sullivan John Doyle Cornelius Callanan Kevin Coleman John Kavanagh Patricia Mann Paul Mann

### St Thomas Feast 3rd July



#### **POEM**

These things did Thomas hold for real: the warmth of blood, the chill of steel, the grain of wood, the heft of stone, the last frail twitch of blood and bone.

His brittle certainties denied that one could live when one had died, until his fingers read like Braille the markings of the spear and nail.

May we, O God, by grace believe and, in believing, still receive the Christ who held His raw palms out and beckoned Thomas from his doubt.

(Thomas Troeger, 1984, Psalter/Hymnal of the Christian Reformed Church)

Almighty and ever living God, who strengthened your apostle Thomas with sure and certain faith in your Son's resurrection: Grant us so perfectly and without doubt to believe in Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God, that our faith may never be found wanting in your sight; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for

Please pray for: Lily Mary Scott (Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June Robin Hood Chapel), Kathleen Beale,(Funeral St Augustine's Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July,12pm; Reception Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July,6pm) Mary McGoldrick, Irene Hill, Anthony Cronin, Thomas Kallely and Deidre Powell-McHugh who died recently.

Also Frank Tweddle, Patricia Ann Jenkins, John Fellows, Colin Chisholm, Joan Tweddle, Onnell Gilda(Jill) Harding, Tony Jordan, John Patrick O'Donnell, Peter McKeown, Philip O'Hara, Antony Vincent Volante, David Francis Meadows, Rose Ann McCracken and Marie Justin Francis, and all with anniversaries at this time.

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