

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh

Deacon Kevin O'Connor (Retired)

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 16th August 2026

Father Dominic writes: 'The Almighty has done great things for me. The resurrection of Christ is the guarantee that in him God has given us the power to conquer sin and death. Our Lady is assumed into glory through the power of her son and we pray that one day like her the fulfilment of glory will be ours. We are all destined for heaven where Mary is now with her glorified Son. Her Assumption gives glory to God the Father who has done great things for her.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Dear Parishioners, This weekend we celebrate Mary's Assumption into Heaven. Let us rejoice and give thanks for 'a thing of beauty is a joy for ever.' May we always feel her closeness to us and her motherly kindness and intercession for all whom we know and love.

We offer our prayerful congratulations to Mrs Mary Miller, wife of Frank Miller, who is to be Confirmed and Received into Full Communion this Sunday at the 11am Mass.

We also offer our prayerful congratulations to Breagh and John Holder, who celebrate their 70th Wedding anniversary this Tuesday, August 18th; and to Josephine and Emmanuel Bastian who celebrate their 50th Wedding anniversary on Friday 21st August. The 6.30pm Mass will be offered for their intentions.

Please would you write to your local MP asking that they will vote against the re-introduction of the 'Assisted Dying' (Assisted-Suicide) Bill, which will come before Parliament in early September. The Prime Minister has indicated that he wishes to see Palliative care and social care improved considerably before discussion on assisted dying. In my experience as Chaplain to the Marie Curie, I appreciate the wonderful care that is given to the dying. It is this service that needs to be extended, not the introduction of assisted suicide. Please respond to this important request.

On Saturday 5th September the MARCH FOR LIFE takes place in London. A coach has been organised with the following pick up points: Holy Soul Church at 06:50am; Olton Friary at 07:10am and Our Lady of the Wayside at 07:30am. The intention is to arrive at Westminster Cathedral for Mass before going on to Emmanuel House and then the subsequent March. Do please try to support this March for Life, especially the unborn.

Maryvale Institute are offering a new online course on the Sacrament of Marriage. It comprises a full academic year of theological formation- open to anyone, no prior study required, starting September 2026. For further information call 012 360 8118. from 2.30pm.

Would anyone wish to form part of a small group of Parishioners to attend the examination result days at St Peter's School on Thursday 27th August in the morning time at 8.30am? This would be to offer prayerful encouragement to those receiving their GCSE results.

An appeal for volunteers to help in the presbytery garden next Saturday, August 22nd, around 10.00am. Please let Father Dominic know if you are available to help.

There is a Requiem on Thursday 20th August at 10.15am for Pete Foley. All are welcome to attend.

Gift Aid: £160 (A special thanks to those who Gift Aid their donation, allowing us to claim an additional £40. Loose £806:46 Total-£966:46

An inclusive Mass for People with SEN and Disabilities takes place each month at Our Lady and St Brigid's Church, Northfield. These are the forthcoming dates: 23rd August, 27th September from 4pm to 4.20pm, Refreshments served afterwards.

St Augustine's Catholic Primary School-Places available in Nursery and Years 2 and 3 from September. Is your child due to start Nursery (born Sept 2022 – August 2023) or years 2 or 3 in September 2026? Spaces have become available at St Augustine's school to start in September. The nursery offers a full time (8:50-3:20pm) provision, term time only. Application forms can be found on the school website <https://www.st-augustines.solihull.sch.uk/admissions/> or by contacting the school office on 0121 705 4355 or 85office@st-augustines.solihull.sch.uk.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Lali Ratnaraja	Angela Keating	Mary Cassidy	Rosemary Knowles	Philomena Kenny	Phillip O'Neill
Briege Williams	Jonathan Williams	Father Pat Sayles	Maureen Hughes	Kitty Gardener	Julie Hickey
Patrick Mitchell	Catherine Bird	Helen Kirk	Patricia Murphy	Patricia Sheasby	
Edward Martin	Jess Stanton	Daniel Meadows	Delia Gaughan		

READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 15 th August 12.30pm M Connor	Saturday 15 th August 12.30pm	Sunday 16 th August 9am
Sat 22 nd August 12.30pm Bernard	J & R Wong	M Hallissey/ J Sica
Sunday 16 th August 9am MC Barbour	Saturday 22 nd August 12.30pm	Sunday 16 th August 11am P Davis
Sunday 16 th August 11am M Watts	R Wong/ Ginny	
Sunday 23 rd August 9am Y Solazzo		Sunday 23 rd August 9am
Sunday 23 rd Aug 11am T Washbrooke		J Powers/G Sica
		Sunday 23 rd August 11am A Kelly

Lectio Divina by zoom, will continue this Wednesday from 7.30pm-8.15pm. All are welcome.

For News and events around the Archdiocese please visit the diocesan website:
www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Marriage in a Rut? Or need our help with deeper issues? Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage. Next dates 2nd-4th October.
<http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info> Telephone: 07788 729 6983

All are welcome to join this year's Harvington Hall Pilgrimage. **Sunday 6th September**
This year the principal celebrant will be His Excellency Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía, Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain assisted by The Most Reverend Bernard Longley.
Confessions: 1.45pm – 2.30pm *Mass:* 3pm **FREE PARKING** on site.
Please bring your own chairs and packed lunch. A few seats available on minibus from St Augustine's; please see list in front porch.
Beloved Disciple- Holy Souls Parish Meeting Room & Church. Tuesday evenings starting at 6.30pm; Information evening 1st September 6.30pm. Places Limited. See poster in porch for details.

15th August Saturday	Revelation 11:19;12:1-6,10 1 Corinthians 15:20-27 Luke 1:39-56 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Thanksgiving Savio Noronha Thomas, Catherine & Frances Kelly & Kinnaird Family-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Refreshments after Mass
16th August SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	Revelation 11:19;12:1-6,10 1 Corinthians 15:20-27 Luke 1:39-56 Public & Live streamed Mass 9.00am Mary & John Edge-RIP Alan Trow-RIP 11.00am Mary Dunleavy-RIP Albert, Jessica Ho and Family -Intentions	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses.
17th August Monday Feria in Ordinary Time	Ezekiel 24:15-24 Matthew 19:16-22 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Robert Thurai Rajah-RIP Our Lady of the Wayside Parish	
18th August Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi begins	Ezekiel 28:1-10 Matthew 19:23-30 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Michael O'Sullivan All People of the Parish	Toddlers' Group 9.30-11.30am in the parish hall.
19th August Wednesday Feria in Ordinary Time St John Eudes Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi	Ezekiel 34:1-11 Matthew 20:1-16 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Martha Sheriden-RIP Philip Ward-RIP & Leon Byron-RIP	Confessions 11.15-11.45am 'Lectio Divina' - this week. Email for the link: staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
20th August Thursday St Bernard Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi	Ezekiel 36:23-28 Matthew 22:34-40 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.15am Requiem Pete Foley	Prayer Meeting 7.00-8.00pm
21st August Friday St Pius X Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi	Ezekiel 16:1-15,60,63 Matthew 19:3-12 Public & Live streamed Mass 6.30pm Dymphna McKiernan-RIP Emmanuel & Josephine Bastian-50 th Wedding Anniversary	Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm- followed by Mass 6.30pm
22nd August Saturday Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi	Isaiah 22:15, 19-23 Romans 11:33-36 Matthew 16:13-20 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm June Fieldhouse -RIP & Joe & May Reilly-RIP Paul Malone-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confession 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass
23rd August Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi	Isaiah 22:15, 19-23 Romans 11:33-36 Matthew 16:13-20 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Members of the Sweeney Family Holy Souls 11.00am Pauline Brady-RIP All People of the Parish	Tea /Coffee available after both Masses

Novena Prayer (18th-26th August) for the Canonization of Blessed Dominic Barberi

*O God, who so lovingly raised Blessed Dominic
to the heights of holiness, learning and apostolic zeal
and made him a powerful minister of your mercy,
listen to our humble request.*

*We pray that you will in your goodness,
grant a miracle through the intercession of Blessed Dominic,
so that the Church may further honour him on earth
and that many more people will come to know
and invoke the help of this faithful servant of the Church.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.*

Mary, Mother of Holy Hope, Pray for Us.

Saint John Henry Newman, Pray for Us.

Blessed Dominic Barberi, Pray for Us.

Please pray for: Jim Harding, Philip Gartland, Sonya O'Shea, Michael Joseph O'Mahoney, Mrs Faye Hicks, Bob Dipple, Tony Duffy, Peter Alfred Foley (Requiem 20th August 10.15am: Reception 19th August 5pm), Geraldine McAndrew, (Requiem Friday 28th August 11am; Reception 27th August 6pm), David & Edna Powers, Michael Joseph O'Gorman, Reginald Harding, Nicholas Ian Barnett, Susan Kelly, Julie Agnew, Henry Oliver Price, Christopher Jeffrey Pedley (Requiem 24th September 11am) who died recently.

Also, Peter Gertner, Georgina Herraty, Joseph Patten, Jon Joseph Jones, Ann McVeigh, Freda Bragg, William Whitehouse, Gerald Anthony Cole, Mary Elizabeth Cole, Mary Elizabteth Lee, Bernadette Harris, Paddy Mullackey, Lillian Dowson, Martha Anges Sheridan, James Hart, Maurice Hanlon 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 Representatives are: Amanda Felton and Veronica Walsh. They can be contacted at sg.staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or if you have any concerns.

This Church live streams Mass and other events. Please see notices in Church for more details.