

**SAINT AUGUSTINE  
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CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME    Year C    16th February 2025

**Dear Parishioners,** 'Happy are those who trust in the Lord. We place all our trust in the resurrection of Christ. If our hope in him had been for this life only then we are the most unfortunate of all people. Christ is risen from the dead and this is the source of our happiness. In him we put our trust and ask for nothing more.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**Father Dominic writes:** Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I wish our pupils, parents, teachers and ancillary staff a relaxing and fruitful half-term holiday.

Your prayers are asked for Ezra Tunstall and Reggie James Rowland who are to be baptized into the family of the Church this Sunday. The next baptism preparation meeting will take place on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February from 7.30pm-9pm in the Presbytery. If you wish to attend, please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

**St Augustine's Community** Café takes place this Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> February, from 11.30am to 1.30pm. A hot meal will be provided on this occasion.

**Members of the Albanian** Community will be holding a Service in Church this Sunday afternoon; and members of the Armenian Community will be holding a Service next Sunday afternoon.

**Deacon Kevin** will be holding a series of 6 talks in the Sunshine Room at St Augustine's School on Tuesday mornings from 8.50am to 9.25am, starting Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February. All Parents are very welcome, especially Parents of our First Holy Communion and Confirmation candidates.

**The Legion of Mary** are holding a recruiting drive here at St Augustine's on the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> February. The aim is to re-establish a Praesidium (branch) of the Legion in the Parish. Please pray that this endeavour will prove successful and will be what God wills.

**St. Augustine's School** are delighted to offer places in our Nursery for September 2025. If you have a child or know of a family whose child will be eligible for nursery provision in September do please contact the School office on: 0121 705 4355 or email the office on: [85office@st-augustines.solihull.sch.uk](mailto:85office@st-augustines.solihull.sch.uk) You will receive a warm welcome on visiting the School. Further information may be found on the school's website: [www.st-augustines.solihull.sch.uk](http://www.st-augustines.solihull.sch.uk)

**For those of our young** Parishioners who wish to be prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation, Meetings will take place on Tuesdays 5pm-6pm beginning Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

**We are very pleased** that 'Lectio Divina' is resuming and will take place from Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February from 7.30pm-8.15pm. Do please consider taking part in this prayerful meditation on the Sunday Gospel, each Wednesday. To participate please email Father Dominic:

[staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk)

Meditation Group in the parish Meeting Room at Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Church Acocks Green at 1.00 PM  
 It is an opportunity to be still and to experience how much we are loved by God. You are most welcome to come and join us: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February; 10<sup>th</sup> March; 24<sup>th</sup> March; 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

**Men's Rosary in the City** Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 12.00 - Chamberlain Square by the fountain

We are called to be a shining light in the darkness and to be a witness to all nations. Join a growing movement of men who peacefully go into the heart of Birmingham and kneel down in front of a statue of Our Lady to pray for our city, nation, and for men to live out their God-given vocation as protector, defender and servant. For more information contact Ben – 07885505116

**Mini Vinnies and SVP cake sale** 1 & 2 March Funds are being raised (£780) to support start up finishing and coconut vending business for 10 families at St Augustine's Parish, Kerala, India. Any surplus funds raised will go to our local people in need.

Donations of cakes would be most welcome.

**QUIZ NIGHT WITH A TWIST:** Saturday, 1 March 2025. Doors open 7 pm to start 7.30 pm.

Brighten your day and raise money for the Catholic Handicapped Fellowship, Oxford's annual visit to Lourdes! All welcome to enjoy an evening of not too serious (and some downright silly) team competition. £10 per person. Bring your own drinks. Tea/coffee provided. Come as a team (max 6 people) but don't worry if you can't - we will make up Super teams on the night! Please call Maria on 0121 7058421 or email [marialwatts@talktalk.net](mailto:marialwatts@talktalk.net) to secure your seats/table.

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP-** gather on the first Sunday of the month for prayer, conversation and encouragement of one another. This is not a counselling group; but the group promise good listening skills, respect for confidentiality and a cuppa. Time 3pm-4.30pm; Friary Lounge Olton Friary St Bernard's Road B92 7BL. For further information please speak to Bro Gerard on 0121 706 0505 or contact Noleen Walsh on 0121 706 5184

**JUBILEE YEAR-** The theme for the Jubilee Year is 'Pilgrims of Hope'. As part of the Jubilee Year, we will be undertaking Pilgrimages. One idea is for us to visit Catholic Churches in our neighbourhood. There are also the annual Diocesan Pilgrimages to Walsingham, Evesham, Hednesford, Harvington and Lourdes. Dates for Walks to Churches within our area of Mission; walks start at 2pm from St Augustine's Church car park. Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March walk to Olton Friary; Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March walk to Our Lady of the Wayside. Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April Walk **from** St George & St Teresa's (Catching the bus there).

**The Archdiocese is** recruiting for the following four positions:

Operations Director, IT Manager, Finance Manager and Gift Aid Officer. Full details and closing dates can be found at [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jobs](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jobs). If you think you have the skills, please do apply.

**Offertory Collection last weekend** Gift Aid £161:16 Loose £974:35 Total :£1,135:51

Second Collection next weekend: Maintenance St Chad's Cathedral

**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	Kevin McDaid	Jonathan Williams	Michael	Eve
Patricia Mann	Cornelius Callanan	Damian Poole	Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans	Catherine Walton
Harry Conlon	Eileen Nolan	Paulina Samathar	Rita Titchmarsh	Helen Brookes	Ellen Gilmore
James Brown	John McCarthy	Mary Johnson	Savio Baretto	Roger Cox	Fr Gerard Kelly
Christopher Edmund Poole		Liam Lewis	Briege Williams	Angela Hyland	
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Molly Saunders	Mike Sassano	Mary & Amanda	Aoife Cook
Rosemary Knowles	Eilish, Tony & Angela Duffy		Breda Fleming	Pat Hurst	Ian Sanchez
Father Michael White	Father Tony Rohan		Benjamin Wort	Patrick Hickey	Callum Graham
Father Andrew McCann	Juliana Benjamin	Bridget McNamara		Doreen and Wilson Cotton	
Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Donnell					

**For news and events** around the Archdiocese please visit the diocesan website: [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk)

READERS		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	12.30pm T Cund	Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	9am	Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	11am
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	12.30pm Bernard	M Coburn		B Ngala	
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9am M Coburn	Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	9am	Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	11am
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	11am C Hodrien	M Hallissey		E Duffy	
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	9am T Choi				
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	11am Emanuella				

15th February Saturday	Jeremiah 17:5-8 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20 Luke 6:17, 20-26 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Maurice Dumber-RIP Leslie Docker-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00noon Confession 11am-12 noon Tea & Coffee available after Mass
16th February  SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  Racial Justice Day	Jeremiah 17:5-8 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20 Luke 6:17, 20-26 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Joyce & Tony Volante-RIP  11.00am Patrick Ryan-RIP John Feeney-RIP	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses
17th February Monday  Feria in Ordinary Time  Seven Holy Founders of the Order of Servants of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Genesis 4:1-15,25 Mark 8:11-13 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am All People of the Parish Aiden Donohue-Intentions	St Augustine's Community Café. 11.30am-1.30pm
18th February Tuesday  Feria in Ordinary Time	Genesis 6:5-8,7:1-5 Mark 8:14-21 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Requiem Brian Williams  Josephine McQuillan-RIP	Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am
19th February Wednesday  Feria in Ordinary Time	Genesis 8:6-13,20-22 Mark 8:22-26 Public and Live streamed Mass 11.30am Jeanette Lee-RIP	Confessions 10.45am-11.15am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm Email: <a href="mailto:staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk">staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk</a>
20th February Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time	Genesis 9:1-13 Mark 8:27-33 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Elaine Wright & Family-Intentions Peter Tickell-80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday	
21st February Friday Feria in Ordinary Time St Peter Damian	Genesis 11:1-9 Mark 8:34-9:1 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Denis Horgan-RIP  6.30pm George Healy-RIP	Holy Hour 5,15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass -6.30pm
22nd February Saturday  FEAST  Chair of St Peter	1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9,12-13,22-23 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 Luke 6:27-38 Public & Live streamed Mass  12.30pm Mrs Beatrice McGaffrey-RIP Mary O'Sullivan-RIP & Living Family Members	Holy Hour 11am-12.00 noon Confessions 11am-12.00pm  Tea/Coffee available after Mass
23rd February Sunday  7th Sunday in Ordinary Time	1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9,12-13,22-23 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 Luke 6:27-38 Public & Live streamed Masses  9.00am Michael & Margaret Fitzmaurice  11.00am Laura Bourke-RIP Elaine & Gary Kirwan-Intention	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses

## RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY 16<sup>th</sup> February

Father, you created each one of us in your own image.

Yet yours is a world made glorious by its rich diversity. This we sometimes misunderstand, sometimes fear.

Give us the patience to build on what unites us, to celebrate our differences and to learn from them.

Grant us the wisdom to recognise your Church, beyond the walls of a building, reaching out across all communities, countries and cultures.

Give us the courage to offer refuge to those in need, to challenge prejudice and seek justice for all.

Help us see that you created us in your image.  
Neighbour or stranger, always our brother or sister.

Amen.

*Prayer by Yashoda Sutcliffe/CARJ (Catholic Association for Racial Justice)*

Please pray for: Father Fred Sheldon, Michael Murtagh, Margaret Rochfort, Bernadette Carbery, Samuel Robinson , John Westman , Pat Craddock (Requiem, Our Lady Help of Christians, Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 12.00 midday), Angela Lloyd (Requiem Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 11.00am. Reception Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 6.00pm), Trish Embley, Sister Pauline Dean MMM, Michael Costello, Maha Eraifej, Deacon Pat Flanagan, Desmond Duffy and Thomas D Ward who died recently.

Also, 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, Joan Maughan, Kathleen Walters, Susan Addis, Mary Ann Callaghan, Nora Catherine McLoughlin, Valerie Wahall, Sean C Cushenan, Mary O'Sullivan, Kathleen Theresa Forbes, Mary Quinn, Patrick Joseph John Ryan, John Christopher Lynch, Kathleen Lynch, Father Sean McTernan, Jean Lingard, Gerard Anthony Kavanagh, Sheila Emily Doyle, Adrian Paul Flynn 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 Anne Ryder and Sue Wakeham. They can be contacted at [sg.staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.

**SPRING COMFORT LUNCH**- Would you like to enjoy the company of new friends, delicious home-cooked food, and a warm welcome? Welcome to St Augustine's Comfort Lunch! (Thursday 6th March, 12pm- 2pm in the Parish Hall) To book a place, please call or text the parish SVP group on 07568 508271

**ANNUAL PANCAKE LUNCH for the FHL.** once again Friends of the Holy Land are providing pancake Lunch on Tuesday the 4th March, between 11am and 1pm. This will again take place in the Parish Hall and all are welcome to enjoy home-made pancakes and pot of tea for a suggested donation of £5.00. The FHL is a charity based in Kenilworth and all proceeds made will go to the charity for targeted aid to Christians in the Holy Land. At this particular time your support is needed as the situation for our fellow brothers and sisters is quite dire. Please contact Steve and Jenny Roper for further details.

**Lenten Breakfast Talks**, commencing Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March at the Methodist Church. Breakfast 8.30am. talk 9.00am-finish for 10am. All are welcome. The local Ministers will give the Talks.

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