

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 16th November 2025

Father Dominic writes: 'By patient endurance you will win. We will suffer because of our belief in Christ but God will vindicate us. By patiently enduring suffering we will win life without end and God will prove to us that Christ is everything. This hope of victory keeps us going in times of great trial.(Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I, take to heart the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, that in the midst of various calamities, Jesus will give us the opportunity to bear witness.

Please pray for Cody Aquino and Beth Oliva Allison who are to be baptised into the family of the Church this weekend. **This weekend** we have a sale of products from the Holy Land, among which you will find some ideal Christmas gifts and cards.

The 'Abba' evening of music has been cancelled.

The Meetings for First Holy Communion preparation take place each Monday evening during term time from 5.30pm- 6.45pm in the Parish Hall. The Confirmation preparation Meetings take place each Tuesday between 5pm-6pm in the Presbytery. Both these Meetings take place for children who do not attend a Catholic school.

Saint Augustine's Community Café takes place this Monday, November 17th, between 11.30am to 1.30pm. All are welcome. A hot meal will be served for those who wish to partake.

Each Thursday evening a Prayer Meeting takes place in the blue room of the Parish Hall, between 7.30pm-8.00pm All are welcome. **Lectio Divine** (the prayerful reading and reflection on Scripture) takes place each Wednesday evening between 7.30pm-8.15pm This Meeting is run by Miss Helen Brookes and takes place by zoom. If you wish to participate please email: staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk and we will provide you with the link.

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The Advent Walk With Me booklets and Calendars are available in both porches.

The Blessing of the Crib will take place on Sunday 30th November at 3pm in Mell Square, all are welcome.

The Christmas Fayre will take place on Saturday 6th December from 1.30pm until 4pm and will continue after the Sunday morning Masses. Help required in setting up the Hall on Friday 5th December at 3pm and tidying up after the 11am Mass on the Sunday. Please help with donations of bottles, cakes, prizes, books, plants. Raffle Tickets now available

A Service of Carols and Readings will take place on Saturday 13th December from 7pm in Church. Please do come along.

The Parents' Meeting for First Holy Communion Children takes place on Thursday 20th and Thursday 27th November from 7.30pm-9.15pm in the Parish hall. Parents, please choose one of these Meetings to attend. We have requested free car-parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park in Herbert Road.

Offertory Collection last weekend: Gift Aid:£275:00 loose £1,150:38 Total: £1,425: Second Collection next Sunday: Catholic Youth Service -Kenelm Trust is the youth service of the Archdiocese providing training, events, pilgrimages, missions, parish support and developing youth ministry across the Archdiocese.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Anne Deary	Lali Ratnaraja
Daniel Meadows	Kevin McDaid	Jonathan Williams	Michael	Julia. a Benjamin	Nora Shearin
Patricia Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans
Catherine Walton	Harry Conlon	Eileen Nolan	Paulina Samathar	Rita Titchmarsh	Helen Brookes
James Brown	John McCarthy	Mary Johnson	Savio Bareto	Roger Cox	Fr Gerard Kelly
Christopher Edmund Poole		Liam Lewis	Joseph Wong	Briege Williams	Angela Hyland
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Molly Saunders	Mike Sassano	Mary & Amanda	Aoife Cook
Rosemary Knowles	Tony & Eilish Duffy	Breda Fleming	Lilian	Andrea Cadman	Mary Philpott
Father Michael White	Benjamin Wort	Callum Graham	Michael Leyland	Wilson Cotton	
Bridget McNamara	Ellen Gilmore	Ian Sanchez	Chris Docker	Eve	
Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Donnell	Mrs. Bernie McCann	Bethany Tidyman			

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READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sat 15 th Nov 12.30pm Bernard	Saturday 15 th November 12.30pm	Sunday 16 th November 9am
Sat 22 nd Nov 12.30pm T Duffy	R Wong/Ginny	G Sica/ J Powers
Sunday 16 th Nov 9am M Coburn	Saturday 22 nd November	Sunday 16 th November 11am
Sunday 16 th Nov 11am	12.30pm	E Duffy
T Washbrooke	S Bingham/ A Kelly	Sunday 23 rd November 9am
Sunday 23 rd Nov 9am YEAR 5 School		M Coburn/ M Hallissey
Sunday 23 rd Nov 11am M Watts		Sunday 23 rd November 11am
		J Hickey

SVP REQUESTS: Thank you so much to all who have donated items requested for men in need- they have been gratefully received. Still required: tee-shirts, jogging bottoms and hoodies(sizes S,M,L only) Brand-new underwear/socks. Also, trainers sizes 8-11(41-44). Toiletries for male and females and nonperishable food. Please note WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT ITEMS OTHER THAN THOSE ABOVE. With our appreciation-SVP St Augustine's: 07568 508271

'Bereavement Group - Upcoming dates-'Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Meeting Room. Wednesdays 10:45am 2025: 10th December **2026**: Wed 14th January 11th February, 11th March;8th April, 13th May, 10th June, 8th July Supporting you in 'Bereavement' Meditation **Group** - Upcoming dates" Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Parish Meeting Room. Mondays 1pm; 24th November 8th December; A Guide to 'Meditation' 'Meditation' is a way of 'being' rather than a way of 'thinking'. It is about becoming still. It helps us to become more loving people in our relationships. It takes our mind off ourselves. & we see people as God sees them. Do come along and see for yourself.

Friends of the Holy Land : Sale of Olive Wood, Cards and a bucket collection **Weekend 15/16 Nov.**

Sock and Choc Appeal : The SVP in conjunction with Be Kind are asking for donations of new socks and chocolate treats (mostly for men) for Birmingham Christmas Shelter and our local homeless outreach team. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

The Carlo Acutis Youth Group meets at the Friary every Friday evening between 6.30pm-8.30pm for Years 6 and upwards. If you would like to attend, you are very welcome. Please take a friend with you.

BLESSING OF GRAVES NOVEMBER 2025-All 2.00pm

16 November ;*Wythall, Robin Hood and St Nicholas*: 23 November ;*Yardley* 30 November

Safeguarding Sunday is an awareness-raising campaign. We will be marking this in our parish at the Masses on the weekend of 15/16th November. In doing this we will be joining thousands of other churches across the UK to share this message and demonstrate unity. We believe that safeguarding is an outworking of our faith in a loving and just God – the God who calls us to speak up on behalf of those who cannot speak for themselves and to defend the rights of the vulnerable (Proverbs 31:8). Please join us in praying for all those who work to ensure our communities and churches are safe for all.

15th November Saturday St Albert the Great	Malachi 3:19-20 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 Luke 21:5-19 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm June Fieldhouse-RIP Beata & Mariusz-Intentions	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass
16th November THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME WORLD DAY OF THE POOR	Malachi 3:19-20 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 Luke 21:5-19 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am Cotter Family-Intentions 11.00am Nancy Grogan-RIP All People of the Parish	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses
17th November Monday Feria in Ordinary Time St Hilda/ St Hugh of Lincoln/ St Elizabeth of Hungary	1 Maccabees 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-64 Luke 18:35-43 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Orlando Trujillo-Intention Novena-Holy Souls	Community Café 11.30am-1.30pm
18th November Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul	2 Maccabees 6:18-31 Luke 19:1-10 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Sean O'Keefe-RIP Maria Beville Muckley-RIP	Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am
19th November Wednesday Feria in Ordinary Time	2 Maccabees 7:1,20-31 Luke 19:11-28 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Requiem Antonio Albini Anne McCann-RIP	Confession 11.30am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
20th November Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time	1 Maccabees 2:15-29 Luke 19:41-44 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Savio Barreto-Intention Mark Holder-RIP	
21st November Friday Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	1 Maccabees 4:36-37,52-59 Luke 19:45-48 Public & Live streamed Masses 10.am Ken Bolton-RIP & Catherine Isaacs-RIP 6.30pm Kim & Paul-Intentions	Holy Hour & Exposition 5.15pm- 6.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm
22nd November Saturday St Cecilia Patron Saint of Musicians	2 Samuel 5:1-3 Colossians 1:12-30 Luke 23:35-43 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Robert Kells-RIP Family of Theodore Ashford-Intentions	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass
23rd November Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	2 Samuel 5:1-3 Colossians 1:12-30 Luke 23:35-43 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am All People of the Parish Novena Holy souls 11.00am Annette Kelly-Birthday Paddy Elizabeth Shields-RIP	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses

World Day of the Poor Sunday 16th November 2025

In his **message** for the third World Day of the Poor, celebrated on 17 November 2019, Pope Francis reminded us that “the poor are not numbers, but people”, to be assisted, accompanied, protected, defended and saved. He recalled that this is not possible without the humility of listening, the charism of the whole, the courage of renunciation. He reminded us that to “follow the way of charity, of humility and of listening means lending an ear to the little ones”, because God reveals himself through them. And he asked us not to look down on anyone from above. “You can only look down at a person from above,” he insisted, “in order to help them get up”.

Loving God, Open our ears to hear you in the cry of those living in poverty.

Open our eyes to see you in the lives of the oppressed.

Open our hearts to meet you in others and to respond with mercy and compassion.

Pour out on us your grace, so that we may grow as your faithful people, always seeking
your kingdom of Truth, Justice and Peace.

Through Christ Our Lord Amen

Please pray for: Anthony Herron, Antonio Albini (Requiem November 19th 12pm; Reception Tuesday 18th November 5.30pm), Mary Nichol (Funeral Service Robin Hood 21st November, 3pm); Seamus Manley (Requiem Thursday 27th November 11am; Reception Wednesday 26th November 6pm), Sheila Griffin (Olton Friary 28th Nov 10.15am), Phillip Austin Walsh (Requiem Wednesday 10th December 12.00pm; Reception Tuesday 9th December 6pm), Philip Peter John Bates, Michael Donnelly, Alan Gorman, Baby Martin Joseph Smith, Robin Easterby, John Pears, Gilbert Anderson, Delia Finnegan, Donald Platt and Anne Weir who died recently.

Also, Declan O'Reilly, Anna Kelly, Thomas Michael Walsh, Gildas Gordon, John Colman Doyle, Baby Yoshua Mikell Dizon Gerard Joseph Robinson, Elsie Warren, Jenny McHale, Simone Betty Neary, Patricia Stevenson, Kathleen Anne Johnston, Sylvia Moseley, Antonio Alvarez Cerro, Vincent Burke, Sylvester Cotter, Kathleen(Kathy) Sampson, Kenneth Henry Bolton, John McCallum, and all with anniversaries at this time.

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

New Book Release – Deacon Sean Loone of Our Lady of the Wayside has just had his final book published, entitled '*A Million Reasons to be Angry – Only One to Love*'. This personal memoir invites readers on a heartfelt journey, exploring themes of childhood trauma, mental health, and faith, all woven together with a distinctly Irish thread. The book has received glowing praise. In a wonderful gesture, Deacon Loone is donating all profits from the book to charity. The book is available to purchase online from Waterstones, T G Jones, Amazon, and all good bookstores. With Christmas approaching, it would make a thoughtful and meaningful gift for family or friends.