

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

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME    PEACE SUNDAY Year C    19<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2025

**Dear Parishioners,** 'Christ is the bridegroom of the Church. Just as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride so Christ rejoices in his Church. Each day in the eucharist by the power of his Spirit he transforms bread and wine into his body and blood to be our daily food and drink. The Holy Spirit gives us a variety of gifts which we are to use for the mission of the Church.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**Father Dominic writes:** Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I invite you to participate in Peace Sunday, this Sunday, whose theme is 'Forgive us our trespasses; Grant us your peace.' We are called to conversion, a call not to condemn, but instead to bring about reconciliation and peace. There will be a second collection for Pax Christi, which is an international Catholic organisation that works for peace and reconciliation.

**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 News and Events** across the Archdiocese please visit the diocesan website: [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk) Amongst the many interesting details there is an appeal for volunteers to 'support Catholic Chaplaincy in Prison.'

**Father Fred Sheldon**, who died recently will be having his Requiem Mass here at St Augustine's on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 12.00 midday. Father will be received into Church on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January at 6pm. At the end of the Requiem Mass Father Fred will remain in Church for approximately one hour, before being taken to Robin Hood. May we have volunteers to pray in Church for 15-minute periods during the hour. Please sign the list in the main porch if you are able to help.

**After the Requiem Mass**, we will have a buffet in the Parish Hall.

**Pope Francis opened** the Jubilee Year of 2025 on December 24<sup>th</sup> in Rome. For details and resources for the Jubilee Year please visit the diocesan website: [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jubilee-year](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jubilee-year)

**A special appeal for volunteers** to help a gathering of Ukrainians, for a couple of hours on Saturday afternoons, serving refreshments and washing up; in the Parish Hall. If there are enough volunteers a rota system will be operated. This is a good opportunity to support the Ukrainian Community. If you are willing to help please contact Kathleen O'Hara on: 07769 892994

**St Augustine's Community Café** Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January 11.30am-1.30pm. All are welcome.

**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 27<sup>th</sup> January; 10<sup>th</sup> February; 24<sup>th</sup> February; 10<sup>th</sup> March; 24<sup>th</sup> March; 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

**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

**Offertory Collection weekend 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> January** Gift Aid:£250;83 Loose £984:94 Total £1,235:77  
**Offertory Collection weekend 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> January** Gift Aid £204:11 Loose £1,073:51 Total £1,277:62  
 Second Collection this Sunday: Pax Christi

**The Week of Prayer** for the Unity of Christians takes place between January 18<sup>th</sup> to January 25<sup>th</sup>. The Christian Unity Service will take place on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm at St Helen's Church. All are welcome. There will be a Prayer Lunch on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at the United Reformed Church on the Warwick Road at 12.30pm. All are welcome. Please bring a packed lunch; drinks will be provided.

**An Invitation from The Birmingham Lourdes Hospitalité:** The Birmingham Lourdes Hospitalité warmly invites you to a special Mass celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes on Saturday 8 February, at 4:30pm, in St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham.

This celebration is a wonderful opportunity to come together in prayer, honour Our Lady, and seek her intercession for the sick and their carers. Refreshments will be served after Mass. We extend a special invitation to:• All who have served in Lourdes,• Schools, students, and• Pilgrims planning to join our Diocesan Pilgrimage in May 2025  
*The Birmingham Lourdes Hospitalité is a religious confraternity affiliated with the Hospitalité Notre Dame de Lourdes. We are committed to supporting pilgrims, especially those staying in the Accueil, by providing meaningful experiences and financial assistance to those in need.*

**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	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 Baretto	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	Eilish, Tony & Angela Duffy		Delbert Manorina	Breada Fleming	Pat Hurst
Father Michael White	Father Tony Rohan		Benjamin Wort	Patrick Hickey	Callum Graham
Ian Sanchez	Father Andrew McCann		Juliana Benjamin	Bridget McNamara	Trish Embley
Ellen Gilmore	Doreen and Wilson Cotton		Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Donnell		

READERS		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	12.30pm T Duffy	Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	9am	Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	11am
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan	12.30pm T Cund	J Powers		B Ngala	
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9am Joe Finbar Cormac	Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	9am	Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	11am
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	11am M Watts	M Coburn		A Kelly	
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9am C Ramsey				
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	11am E Young				

<p>18th January</p> <p>Saturday</p> <p>Octave of Christian Unity</p>	<p>Isaiah 62:1-5 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 John 2:1-11</p> <p>Public &amp; Live streamed Mass</p> <p>12.30pm Anna &amp; Eugene O'Donnell-RIP Mary &amp; Tony Quinn-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00noon Confession 11am-12 noon Tea/Coffee available after Mass</p>
<p>19th January Sunday</p> <p>SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>Peace Sunday</p> <p>Octave of Christian Unity</p>	<p>Isaiah 62:1-5 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 John 2:1-11</p> <p>Public &amp; Live streamed Masses</p> <p>9.00am All People of the Parish</p> <p>11.00am Nicholas &amp; Moya Halligan-RIP Stephano Park-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>
<p>20th January Monday</p> <p>Feria in Ordinary Time</p> <p>St Fabian/ St Sebastian</p> <p>Octave of Christian Unity</p>	<p>Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 2:18-22</p> <p>Public and Live streamed Mass</p> <p>9.30am Special Intention Sophia &amp; Jim Crosby- Intentions</p>	<p>St Augustine's Café: 11.30am-1.30pm. All welcome</p>
<p>21st January Tuesday</p> <p>St Agnes</p> <p>Octave of Christian Unity</p>	<p>Hebrews 6:10-20 Mark 2:23-28</p> <p>Public and Live streamed Mass</p> <p>10.00am Paulina Samathar-Thanksgiving 6.00pm Reception/Mass Fr Fred Sheldon</p>	<p>Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am</p>
<p>22nd January Wednesday</p> <p>Feria in Ordinary Time</p> <p>St Vincent</p> <p>Octave of Christian Unity</p>	<p>Hebrews 7:1-3,15-17 Mark 3:1-6</p> <p>Public and Live streamed Mass</p> <p>12.00(midday) Requiem Father Fred Sheldon</p>	
<p>23rd January Thursday</p> <p>Feria in Ordinary Time</p> <p>St Nicholas Owen</p> <p>Octave of Christian Unity</p>	<p>Hebrews 7:25-8:6 Mark 3:7-12</p> <p>Public &amp; Live streamed Mass</p> <p>10.00am Annie Cleary Cynthia Lewis-Intention</p>	
<p>24th January Friday</p> <p>St Francis de Sales</p> <p>Octave of Christian Unity</p>	<p>Hebrews 8:6-13 Mark 3:13-19</p> <p>Public &amp; Live streamed Mass</p> <p>10.00am Anthony Nesaratnam-RIP 6.30pm Chris McClean-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5,15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass -6.30pm</p>
<p>25th January Saturday</p> <p>FEAST</p> <p>Conversion of St Paul</p> <p>Octave of Christian Unity</p>	<p>Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21</p> <p>Public &amp; Live streamed Mass</p> <p>12.30pm John Noone-RIP Rachel &amp; Alex-Intention</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00 noon Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass</p>
<p>26th January</p> <p>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21</p> <p>Public &amp; Live streamed Mass</p> <p>9.00am Elizabeth Farragher-RIP</p> <p>11.00am All People of the Parish Mary Ryan-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025 will take place on  
**18-25 January** with the theme, "Do you believe this"?

**Prayer**

Heavenly Father,  
we thank you for the gift of the Holy Spirit, the giver of life,  
who makes us more open to each other, resolves conflict,  
and strengthens our bonds of communion.  
May we grow in mutual affection  
and in the desire to announce the Gospel message more faithfully,  
that the world may come together in unity  
and welcome the Prince of Peace.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Please pray for: Father Fred Sheldon, (Reception Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 6pm; Requiem Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 12.00 noon) Noel Homes, Terence Patrick Wright, Raphael Lee, Agatha Sant, Michael Murtagh, Laura Bourke (Sr Chantal) formerly St Peter's School, Bernadette Carbery, (Requiem- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January at St Anne's Catholic Church Chelmsley Wood 11am) Joe Westman (Reception Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 6.00pm; Requiem Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 11.30am) Adrian Fretsome, Teresita Moriani, Albert John Bliss, Jack Muldoon, Pat (Patricia) Craddock, Margaret Rochfort (whose daughter is Maureen Killeen), Reception Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 7pm; Requiem Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 11.00am;. who died recently.

Also, Roy Wilcox, Margaret Muriel Elliott, Roy Leonard Jones, Christiana Peace, Bernadette Agnes Parsons, Theresa & Sean McMahon, Maureen Lilian Lawrence, Dorothy Plomer-Roberts, Jose Belson, Mary Josephine Foy, Philip Brian Matthews, Josephine Mary Concannon, James Keogh, Eileen Boyle, Katherine Cox, Francis Joseph Docherty, John Christopher Francis Putil, Mary Maria Curry, Thomas Anthony Oliver, Margaret Bourke, Roland (Rollo) Wolfe 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.

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