# SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Seventh Sunday of Easter 21st May 2023

**Dear Parishioners,** 'Christ our model of prayer and suffering. Prayer is the birth right of every Christian. It is as natural to us as the air we breathe. The early Christians were people of deep prayer and suffered for their faith. Prayer and suffering are two sides of the same coin by which Christ gives glory to God in me.'(Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**Father Dominic writes**: 'Dear Parishioners, Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I rejoice with you as we celebrate the Children's First Holy Communion and look forward to the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop David Evans on Wednesday 21st June at 6.30pm. We give thanks to our Lord for this special time in the life of our Parish. This Sunday is celebrated throughout the Church as Catholic Communications Sunday; the theme chosen by our Holy Father is: 'Speaking With The Heart. The truth is love.' There will be a second collection to support the Church's work of communications at a national level. Further information may be obtained from the Bishops' Conference website: <a href="https://www.cbcew.org.uk">www.cbcew.org.uk</a>

Please pray for Grayson David Phillips who is to be baptized into the family of the Church this Sunday. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm in the Presbytery. It will last until 9pm. If you wish to attend, please inform Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

For news and events from the Archdiocese please look at the diocesan website:

<u>www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk</u> Events include 'Being a welcoming Church' which is organised by Father Hudson's Care and takes place this Monday evening. The Talk content reflects on 'Disability' in the Church. There is also a meeting to reflect on LGBT+ at Christ the King, in Coventry, on Sunday 21st May at 7pm. There is also an urgent appeal for Hosts for Ukranian families, and other events which may be of interest to you.

Please remember in your prayers Daniel James Boyd and Amy Louise Ward who are to be married here at St Augustine's on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm.

I will be travelling to Lourdes as Chaplain to the Oxford Handicapped Fellowship from Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May until Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> may. If you would like me to take any petitions to place in the Grotto at Lourdes, please let me have them as soon as possible.

There will also be a second Holy Communion celebration for those of our young Parishioners whom Miss Libby Service is preparing and this will take place on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm. The next memory Box Café Meeting will take place on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June between 2pm-3.30pm This social gathering is for those with Dementia, their carers and families and also for any elderly Parishioners

20th May Saturday St Bernardine of Siena	Acts 1:12-14 1 Peter 4:13-15 John 17:1-11 Public & Live Streamed Mass 12.30pm Betty Walker- RIP Maria Kelly-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass
21st May SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Acts 1:12-14 1 Peter 4:13-15 John 17:1-11 Public & Live Streamed Masses  9.00am Helen Lee- Intention  11.00am Francie Treanor- RIP Seamus Dunleavy-RIP	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses
22nd May Monday Easter Feria St Rita of Cascia 'the Saint of the impossible'  23rd May Tuesday  Easter Feria	Acts 19:1-8 John 16:29-33 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Tom Finnegan-RIP Owens & Deery Families  Acts 20:17-27 John 17:1-11 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Gerry Moylan-RIP	
24th May Wednesday Easter Feria	Bernie McCarthy-Intention  Acts 20:28-38 John 17:11-19  Public and Live streamed Mass  11.30am Margaret Brennan-RIP  Pauline Raponi-Intention	Confessions 10.45-11.15am Lectio Divina' at 7.30pm To join in the Meeting please email Helen Brookes who will forward you the link to join the Meeting. Helen's email:  ehb73@yahoo.co.uk
25th May Thursday St Bede	Acts 22:30;23-6-11 John 17:20-26 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Tom-Special Intention	Baptismal Preparation Evening 7.30pm Presbytery
26th May Friday Easter Feria St Philip Neri	Acts 25:13-21 John 21:15-19 Public & Live Streamed Mass 10.00am Hyacinth & Nancy Pereira- 25th Wedding Anniversary  6.30pm Catherine Walton- Intention	Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm
27th May Saturday St Augustine of Canterbury	Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13 John 20: 19-23 Public & Live Streamed Mass 12.30pm Stephen & Sue Muckley -Intentions	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm
Solemnity of Pentecost  28th May	Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13 John 20: 19-23 Public & Live Streamed Masses 9.00am Sarah Lebutt-RIP  11.00am Bernie Day & Family-Intentions	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses

**Saturday 27th May is** the Feast of St Augustine of Canterbury our Patronal Feast Day. Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I wish you God's special Blessings on this day. I will be in Lourdes and will remember you all in my prayers and at Mass.

**On Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June** we will be having a Corpus Christi procession at the end of the 11am Mass. We invite all our First Holy Communion Children and their families to join in this procession.

**Please remember** in your prayers Kwan-Tai Liu (Ricki) who is to be baptized and received into Full Communion on the weekend of 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> June.

**Keeping Going. Biblical Reflections for Synodality and Journeying** Together Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup> 2pm to 4pm Selly Park Convent B29 7LL David McLoughlin (Theologian and formerly Newman University) and Fleur Dorrell (Bible Society and Bishops Conference of England and Wales) will be leading an afternoon reflection time using the scriptures to reflect on our journeying together in a synodal Church. Refreshments will be provided. **To register please email: actabhm@gmail.com** 

The Governing Body of St Paul's School for Girls, Edgbaston, is seeking to appoint a **Caretaker** to commence as soon as possible: 37.5. hours per week, Grade 3:9 = £23,194 - negotiable according to qualifications. Full time, all year round, shift times (6am - 2pm and 11:30am - 7:30pm) as well as opportunities for overtime. For further details or an application pack, please telephone school or download from our website: <a href="https://www.stpaulgl.bham.sch.uk">www.stpaulgl.bham.sch.uk</a> **Closing date for applications:** 26th May 2023 at noon Interview date: 7th June.

**Saint Peter's Catholic Secondary School** are organising a Mission Week at school from Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June until Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July. Those responsible for organising the week are looking for people, retired or still working, who would be willing to come to the school from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, and to speak to form groups of 30 children about their work and how their Christian Faith has influenced them in their working life. If you are willing to offer this service to our young people, please contact your clergy or Mr. Adam Williams at Saint Peter's School.

**The Bible Study Meetings** for our teenagers run by Father Denis Carter, a Columban Father, will be having a break and will recommence later in June.

Offertory Collection: Gift Aid:£ 208:73 Loose:£877:28 Total: £1,086:01 Last week's Collection Christian Aid: £554:36 Second Collection this weekend: Catholic Communications

#### **READERS**

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Saturday 20th May 12.30p Saturday 27th May 12.30p Saturday 3rd June 12.30p	om T.Cund	Sunday 21st May M.Hallissey	9am	Sunday 21st May B.Ngala	11am
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Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 9am Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 11am	C.Ramsey C Hodrien	Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> June J. Powers	9am	Sunday 4th June J.Hickey	11am
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### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Esther Brasil	Anne Deary
Trevor Windle	Danny Meadow	vs John Doyle	Kevin McDaid	Sue Hodrien	Don Deneny
Patricia Mann	Paul Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	John White
Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans	Gillian Jones	Catherine Wa	Iton Harry Conlon	Eileen Nolan
James Brown	John McCarthy	Kath Reidy	Mary Johnson	Savio Baretto	Eileen Keaton
Christopher Edmund Poole for protection and peace in the Mbag Family Eve					Roger Cox
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Thelma Cole	Molly Saunders	Roger Cox	Mike Sassano
Rosemary Knowl	es Eilish, Tony 8	& Angela Duffy	Angela Hyland	Jennifer O'Donnell	

#### WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

This year's World Communications Day is celebrated on Sunday, 21 May 2023. The theme comes from Ephesians 4:15, Speaking with the heart - 'The truth in love'. In his message to mark the day, Pope Francis stresses the need to listen before speaking truth with a pure heart to "see beyond appearances and overcome the vague din which, in the field of information, does not help us discern in the complicated world in which we live."

The Holy Father, warning against indifference and indignation, hails the example of the great Doctor of the Church, St Francis de Sales, in particular his commitment to patient, heartfelt dialogue. A gifted theologian, his phrase 'Heart speaks to heart' inspired many, none more so than the recently canonised Saint John Henry Newman, who chose the phrase as his cardinalatial motto, 'Cor ad cor loquitur'. Catholics in England and Wales will remember with affection that 'Heart speaks unto heart' was also the theme for Pope Benedict XVI's historic visit to the UK in 2010.

For details: <a href="https://www.cbcew.org.uk/worldcommunications-day">www.cbcew.org.uk/worldcommunications-day</a>

O God.

whose word is truth and in whose light we see light, guide those who tell the story of our times through word and image.

Make them seekers after truth and advocates of human dignity.

Grant discernment to all who rely on their labours, and, as we confront the pain and promise of this world, awaken in us a sense of wonder at your presence and of longing for your peace.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God for ever and ever. Amen

Please pray for: Francie Treanor, Maureen Dodds, Peter Brazil, Mary Lawlor, Mrs May Veasey, Anne Kelly ,Alizah Anne Lewis, Corrine Richardson, Marie Rafferty (Requiem Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June 10am), Joseph Wan, John Doyle, Karen Maria Moss (Robin Hood, Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June,1pm), and Josef Lishowski who died recently.

Also, Ray John Stanley, Pauline Harris Arthur Claybrook, Catherine Phyllis Rea, Eithne Holden, Eileen Crumpton, Keevan Collum O'Kane, Tom Reilly, Elizabeth (Betty) Clinton, Matthew Cooke, James Cosgrove, Maureen McQuillan, Baby Dani Rush, Catherine Thomasine Harvey, Joanne Moss and all with anniversaries at this time.

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