

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 24th August 2025

Dear Parishioners 'The last shall be first We must not think of ourselves as better than others just because we are Christians. In fact, many people of other faiths from the East and the West will find their way into God's kingdom before us. We must set ourselves high standards and try our best to enter the kingdom by the narrow door.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I welcome Monsignor Danny to the 11am mass this Sunday morning. In my absence for emergency sick calls please contact Olton Friary on: 0121 706 0505 or Our Lady of the Wayside on: 0121 744 1967

The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 18th September from 7.30-9.00pm. All are welcome. If you wish to attend, please speak with Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

The Guild of St Stephen have organised an annual Mass of Thanksgiving to be celebrated on Saturday 4th October 2025 at 12.00 noon at St Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham. Bishop David Evans will be the main celebrant.

The Season of Creation is from 1st September to the 4th October; please see the website:

<https://seasonofcreation.org/> for details. The theme is 'Peace with Justice'. You may also wish to visit the diocesan website: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Listing/Category/environment>

A new Course for adult Catechesis in Cantonese is being prepared for those who seek to join the Catholic Church. The Meetings will take place at St Mary's Harborne, starting 4th September continuing every Thursday between 7.30pm-8.45pm. For further details please see posters in Church.

Also, if anyone would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith please speak with Father Dominic or Deacon Kevin.

The month of September is designated for our deanery as a month to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious life. In response to this, we are holding a Mass at Olton Friary on Friday 19th September at 7pm, along with members of the Carlo Acutis Youth Group. All are welcome to this Mass.

Please note, Mass on Wednesday 3rd September will take place at 10am with Confession at 9.30am.

Father Paul Johnson's funeral will take place on Wednesday 3rd September at 12.00 midday:

Reception and Mass Tuesday 2nd September 7pm. Both Services at St Ambrose Barlow Church, Hall Green.

You are warmly invited to a talk and Power Point Presentation on the Shroud of Turin, by Mark Bradley. Thursday 11th September 7pm, Parish hall. We have requested free car parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park, Herbert Road.

Offertory Collection last weekend: Gift Aid £320 Loose £990:50 Total: £1,310:50

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Anne Deary	Lali Ratnaraja
Trevor Windle	Daniel Meadows	Kevin McDaid	Jonathan Williams	Michael	Juliana Benjamin
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	Tony & Eilish Duffy	Breda Fleming	Lilian	Andrea Cadman	
Father Michael White	Eve	Benjamin Wort	Callum Graham	Michael Leyland	Wilson Cotton
Bridget McNamara	Ellen Gilmore	Ian Sanchez	Father Andrew McCann		Chris Docker
Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Donnell			Matthew Sheils		

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

READERS			EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
23 rd August 12.30pm	Bernard	Saturday 23 rd August 12.30pm	Sunday 24 th August 9am
30 th August 12.30pm	T Duffy	J Wong/A Kelly	M Coburn/ J Sica
Sunday 24 th August 9am	MC Barbour	Saturday 30 th August 12.30pm	Sunday 24 th August 11am J Hickey
Sunday 24 th August 11am	R Noronha	R Wong/Ginny	
Sunday 31 st August 9am	C Ramsey		Sunday 31 st August 9am
Sunday 31st August 11am	C Hodrien		J Powers/M Coburn
			Sunday 31 st August 11am A Kelly

OSCOTT COLLEGE- Organ Recital-Sunday 5th October 3pm. Professor David Saint. Also, Oscott Guided Tours; tickets can be booked at <https://www.oscott.org/events> Cost inclusive of cake & tea £17.50. See posters in porch for both events.

Holy Trinity Catholic School will be celebrating their 50th anniversary in September; we are keen that former pupils, staff and anyone previously connected to Holy Trinity have the opportunity to attend. For more detailed information please see Notice board, main porch. 5.00pm Wednesday 24th September.

Within the South Solihull Parishes, we are planning a Pilgrimage to Rome for the close of the Jubilee Year.

Would you be interested in taking part, from January 4th to January 8th 2026? The cost is £850 for sharing a room and £975 for single supplement. Father Dominic is hoping to form part of the pilgrimage. Further details from Bernadette, our Parish Secretary. The closing date for booking is 17th August.

URGENTLY NEEDED: MORE CASUAL CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR, UNDERWEAR & TOILETRIES FOR MEN 18- 40 Can you help? Weekly requirements for men locally in- need are now exceeding what we have available. SVP are collecting items on behalf of St Augustine's. Information contact: 07568 508271

FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD! Urgently needed for depleted supplies in St Augustine's SVP cupboard. Can you help? In- date UHT Milk, UHT Juice, tinned meals, tinned tuna, tinned fruit and rice, packet mash and pasta, dried brown rice, biscuits, crisps. Toiletries suitable for all. No perishables/ fresh items. Bags/ boxes FAO St Augustine's SVP to either porch. Thank you!

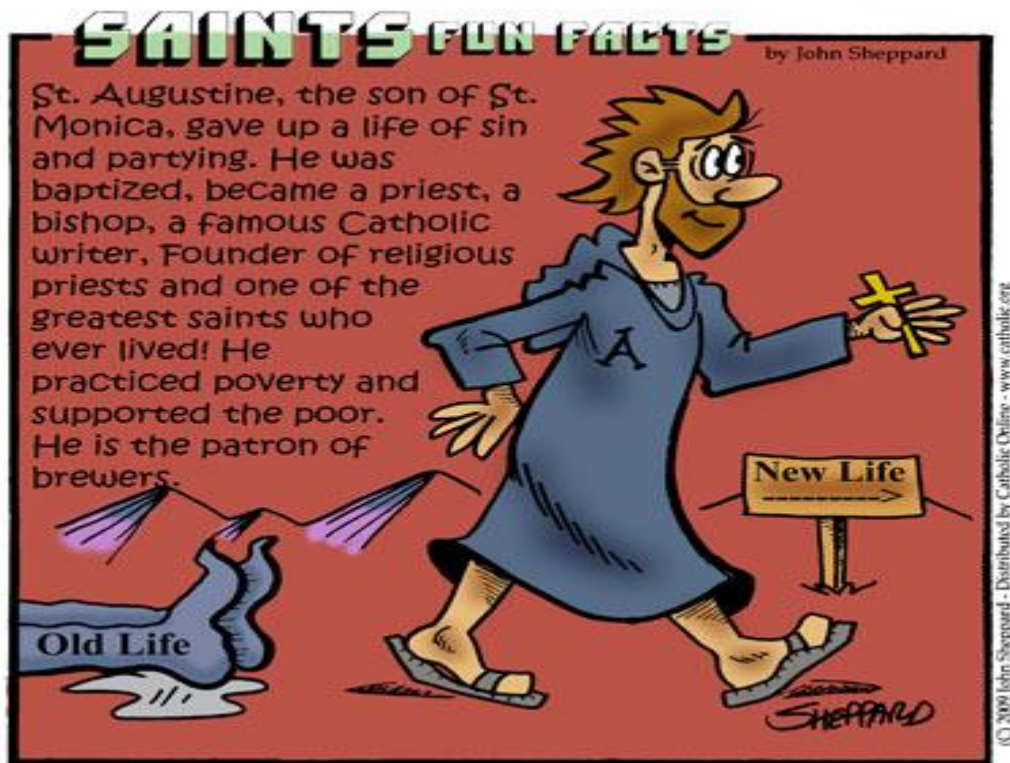
WASHING MACHINE much needed by local household in great need, free or at low- cost. Can you help or know someone who can? Please contact St Augustine's SVP on: 07568 508271 Thank you.

'Bereavement Group - Upcoming dates-'Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Meeting Room. Wednesdays 10:45 2025: Wed 10th September;8th October, 12th November, 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 15th & 29th September, 13th & 27th October;10th & 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.

Conversational Irish classes starting Wednesday 10th September 7:00 p.m. Holy Cross and St Francis Hall,1 Signal Hayes Road Walmley B76 2RS telephone 07929 873828 Large free car park. See poster in porch.

Would any of our young Parishioners, aged 16+ wish to train as a youth leader? If so, please speak with one of the Clergy.

23rd August Saturday	Isaiah 66:18-21 Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13 Luke 13:22-30 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Thomas, Catherine, Frances Ann Kelly-RIP & Kelly & O'Regan Families-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass
24th August TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Isaiah 66:18-21 Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13 Luke 13:22-30 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Steve Clay-RIP 11.00am Phelim Keogan-RIP	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses
25th August Monday Feria in Ordinary Time St Louis/ St Joseph Calasanz	1 Thessalonians 1:1-5,8-10 Matthew 23:13-22 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Private Intention	
26th August Tuesday FEAST Blessed Dominic Barberi	1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Mark 1:14-20 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Susan Kavanagh-RIP	Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am
27th August Wednesday St Monica	1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 Matthew 23:27-32 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.00pm John Brown-RIP	Confession 11.30am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
28th August Thursday St Augustine	1 Thessalonians 3:7-13 Matthew 24:42-51 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Turner Family & Friends & Our Mothers Prayers -Intentions	
29th August Friday The Passion of Saint John the Baptist	1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 Mark 6:17-29 Public & Live streamed Masses 10.00am Eleanor Philomena Maughan-Intention 6.30pm Peter Conaughton-RIP	Holy Hour & Exposition 5.15pm- 6.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm
30th August Saturday Ss Margaret Clitherow/ Anne Line/ Margaret Ward	Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20, 28-29 Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24 Luke 14:1,7-14 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Kathleen Joyce-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm
31st August Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20, 28-29 Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24 Luke 14:1,7-14 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am All People of the Parish 11.00am Tim O'Toole-RIP	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses



Breathe in me O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy.
 Act in me O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy.
 Draw my heart O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy.
 Strengthen me O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy.

Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy. Amen.

Lord Jesus, our Savior, let us come to you.
 Our hearts are cold; Lord, warm them with your selfless love.
 Our hearts are sinful; cleanse them with your precious blood.
 Our hearts are weak; strengthen them with our joyous Spirit.
 Our hearts are empty; fill them with your divine presence.
 Lord Jesus, our hearts are yours; possess them always and only for yourself.

St Augustine of Hippo Feast 28th August

Please pray for: Father Paul Johnson(St Ambrose Barlow Church; Requiem 3rd September 12.00 midday), Paul Malone , Dymphna McKiernan, Robin Easterby, John Pears ,Gilbert Anderson(Robin Hood Friday 5th September 1.00pm) Mavis Reynolds (Requiem Friday 12th September 11.30am) Hilary Mayell, Father John Baggley, Deacon Tony Rigby, Deacon Brian Cox, Delia Finnegan, Father Tony Rohan , Andrew Lockington, Josie Cartmill (nee Clarke) - Wife of Oliver Cartmill, mother to Ann, Martin and Karen.Reception into St Ambrose Barlow Church Wednesday 27th August at 7pmRequiem Mass Thursday 28th August at 11am who died recently.

Also, Philip Goodyear, John Joseph Brown, Catherine Coyle, Margaret Mary Glenholmes, Margaret Anne Conway, Hannah Brosnan, Mary Rose Laphorne, Dan Doyle, Mary Culshaw, Lee Thomas Jeynes,William Rooney, Eileen Dodd, Mary Fitzgerald, Richard Bynoth, Dorothy Gamble 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 Susan Wakeham. 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 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.