

**SAINT AUGUSTINE  
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CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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

**TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME    Year B    25th August 2024**

**Dear Parishioners,** 'Christ has the words of eternal life. Christ lives in his Church and in loving it we love him. Our faith deals with person of Christ. He has the words of eternal life and there is no one else to whom we want to go. We show our love for him in our service of loyalty to the Church. (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**Father Dominic writes:** Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I are so pleased to hear how well our young Parishioners have done in their exams and we congratulate them, their parents, families and teachers and their respective school communities. We pray for our young people that as they embark on the next stage of their vocation they may be 'ambassadors for Christ', echoing the words of today's psalm:

'I will bless the Lord at all times,  
His praise always on my lips;  
In the Lord my soul shall make its boast.  
The humble shall hear and be glad.'

**The next baptismal** preparation evening will take place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September from 7.30pm-9pm. If you would like to attend, please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy. I am pleased to inform you that we have received from the Inland Revenue the Tax claimed from Gift Aid (April 2023 to April 2024) the sum of £6,422:66. Thank you to those of you who Gift Aid your Sunday Offerings. We have produced the annual financial statement which is printed on the back of the Newsletter this week.

**Our Diocesan Climate** Action Committee have made available the newsletter for August, 'Responding to the Call of Creation.' Copies are available in both porches. We would welcome a Parish representative for the diocesan climate action group, to liaise between the Parish and the group. Do please consider this and become an environment champion. If you are interested, please speak with Father Dominic.

**A National Eucharistic** Congress will take place at St Mary's College, Oscott, on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September. On Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September young people who are discerning their vocation are invited to Invocation@Adoremus at St Mary's College, Oscott. This is an UNMISSABLE opportunity to reflect on how we follow Jesus and respond to the universal call to Holiness. The event for young adults aged 16-30 is FREE of CHARGE, but participants will need to register their attendance. As well as the celebration of Holy Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, there will be talks and workshops to help explore God's call alongside other like-minded young people. Starts 10am until 5.30pm.

To book go to: [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk) follow the link for Invocation @ Adoremus; booking essential.

The next St Augustine's community drop-in-Café will take place on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September between 11.30am-1.30pm. All are welcome.

Parish safe-guarding representative Mrs Anne Ryder will be contacting all our volunteers who perform a role on the Sanctuary,(Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Flower arrangers) in order to gain your consent for your image to be streamed during the services. For those under 16 years of age, your parents or guardians will be asked to give their consent. All other volunteers will be asked to provide brief details, including emergency contact details, for Parish records. Forms may be obtained on the Parish website: [www.staugustinesolihull.org.uk](http://www.staugustinesolihull.org.uk) or are available in the Sacristy.

We welcome Father Joseph NG, SDB who is visiting on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September to celebrate with our Hong Kong Parishioners. Confessions at 3pm; Mass at 4pm followed by refreshments.

Offertory Collection: Gift Aid:£296:32 Loose £838:62 Total:£ 1,134:94

**READERS**

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> Aug 12.30pm Bernard	Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> August 9am	Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> August 11am
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug 12.30pm T Duffy	J Powers	B Ngala
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept 12.30pm		
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> Aug 9am Finbar Cormac & Joe	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 9am	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 11am
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> Aug 11am H Cettler	M Coburn	A Kelly
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept 9am T Choi	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> September 9am	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> September 11am
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept 11am R Noronha	M Hallissey	E Duffy

**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	Eileen Doyle	Kevin McDaid	Jonathan Williams	Michael
Patricia Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans
Catherine Walton	Harry Conlon	Eileen Nolan	Pauline Samathar	Rita Titchmarsh	Helen Brookes
James Brown	John McCarthy	Mary Johnson	Savio Baretto	Eve	Roger Cox
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	Dermot McCreedy	

The Season of Creation is the annual Christian celebration to pray and respond together to the cry of Creation: the ecumenical family around the world unites to listen and care for our common home. The "Celebration" begins 1 September, the Feast of Creation, and ends 4 October, the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology beloved by many Christian denominations. See diocesan website for information.

**PREPARING FOR THE LECTIONARY-** Refresher Programme for Ministers of the Word; 3-4pm Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October & Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October. To book free place email: [fr.allen.morris@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:fr.allen.morris@rcaob.org.uk)

**ADOREMUS IN MY PARISH-**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September Holy Hour 3-4pm

**Education Sunday** falls on the second Sunday of September (8 September, in 2024) just as the new academic year starts and is one of the oldest Days of Special Prayer in England and Wales, established 176 years ago in 1848.It provides an opportunity to celebrate and give thanks to all involved in making Catholic schools places of enlightenment, as well as to look forward in anticipation of the year ahead. This year's theme for Education Sunday is drawn from its Gospel reading of Mark 7:31-37: He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

**SVP Festival of Flowers & Gathering**-Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September-12.00 noon Holy Mass Archbishop Bernard. St. Chad's Cathedral 1.15pm Buffet Lunch in Grimshaw Room. Guest Speaker Richard Gamble, the founder of the iconic Eternal Wall of Answered Prayer.

**Annual Mass of Thanksgiving** for Altar Servers-Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 12.00 noon, St Chads Cathedral.

Details of all these events available on the diocesan website: [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk)

<p>24th August Saturday</p> <p>FEAST</p> <p>St Bartholomew</p>	<p>Joshua 24:1-2,15-18 Ephesians 5:21-32 John 6:60-69 Public &amp; Live streamed Mass 12.30pm P.J. Doherty-RIP</p> <p>Margaret Hughes-Intention</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00noon Confession 11am-12 noon. Refreshments after Mass</p>
<p>25th August</p> <p>TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</p>	<p>Joshua 24:1-2,15-18 Ephesians 5:21-32 John 6:60-69 Public &amp; Live streamed Masses</p> <p>9.00am John Donohoe-RIP</p> <p>11.00am All People of the Parish</p> <p>Kate Wyld-Intention</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>
<p>26th August Monday</p> <p>FEAST</p> <p>Blessed Dominic Barberi</p>	<p>1 Corinthians 1:18-2 Mark 1:14-20 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Laura Bourke-Intention Joseph Hayes-RIP</p>	
<p>27th August Tuesday</p> <p>St Monica</p>	<p>2 Thessalonians 2:1-3,14-17 Matthew 23:23-26 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Margaret Conway-RIP John Joseph Brown-RIP</p>	<p>Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am</p>
<p>28th August Wednesday</p> <p>St Augustine of Hippo</p>	<p>2 Thessalonians 3:6-10,16-18 Matthew 23:27-32 Public and Live streamed Mass 11.30am Rohan &amp; Victorine Joseph-20<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Pam &amp; Pauline-Intentions</p>	<p>Confession 10.45am-11.15am</p>
<p>29th August Thursday</p> <p>Passion of St John the Baptist</p>	<p>1 Corinthians 1:1-9 Mark 6:17-29 Public &amp; Live streamed Mass 10.00am Josephine Pereira-RIP Gertrude Barreto-Intention</p>	
<p>30th August Friday</p> <p>Feria in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line &amp; Margaret Ward</p>	<p>2 Corinthians 6:4-10 Luke 18:28-30 Public &amp; Live streamed Mass 10.00am Mr &amp; Mrs Gerald Smith-Intentions</p> <p>6.30pm Holy Souls</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5,15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm</p>
<p>31st August Saturday</p> <p>St Aidan &amp; Saints of Lindisfarne</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8 James 1:17-18,21-22,27 Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23 Public &amp; Live streamed Mass 12.30pm McNamee &amp; Duffy Families-Intentions</p> <p>Colm Conon-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00 noon Confessions 11am-12.00pm. Refreshments after Mass</p>
<p>1st September</p> <p>Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8 James 1:17-18,21-22,27 Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23 Public &amp; Live streamed Masses 9.00am Francis Conway-RIP</p> <p>11.00am All People of the Parish Kathleen &amp; Michael Joyce-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>

## ST AUGUSTINE'S END OF YEAR FINANCES 2023

### RECEIPTS

Offerories-Gift Aid	£28,232.08
Offerories Non Gift Aid	£49,871.64
Legacies Received	£2,000
Donation Gift Aid	£15.00
Donations Non G.Aid	£3,048
Tax Refds Gift Aid/invest	£10,997.53
Votive Candles Income	£6,775.75
Piety Income	£3,629.64
Newspapers Income	£463.71
Hall Income	£2,935.00
Unit Scheme income	£17,499.44
Interest received	£713.22

Charities includes	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collections	£32,210.42

**TOTAL RECEIPTS      £158,391.43      TOTAL PAYMENTS    £ 145,377.22**

**TOTAL SURPLUS £ 13,014.21**

### PAYMENTS

Church Liturgy & Pastoral	£13,713.97
House Domestic	£ 4,700
Piety Expenses	£3,127.89
Newspapers Expenses	£365.50
Hall Expense	£5137.28
Clergy Allowance Nat Ins	£170.40
Clergy Supply Priests	£440.00
Clergy Mileage	£1,500.00
Clergy other costs	£2,007.00
Clergy Clerical Medical	£200.00
Parish Levies	£22,860.40
Personnel/wages	£8,087.52
Office Expenses	£2,577.23
Bank Charges	£517.43
Church Utilities	£22,868.21
Church Maintenance	£1,792.08
House Maintenance	£2,285.95
House Utilities	£4,815.94
Unit Scheme purchase	£16,000

Charities includes.	
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Please pray for: Gerardine McGlinchey, Lena Gallagher, (Requiem September 4<sup>th</sup>, 11.30am; Reception Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 5pm) Sheila Margaret Patricia Bush and Thelma Cole (Thursday September 5<sup>th</sup>, 10am), Graham Heeley (Kate Maddock's father, Patrick Lalor who died recently).

Also, 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, Norman Francis Miley 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 Representative is Anne Ryder. She 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.**