

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Sixth Sunday of Easter Year C 25th May 2025

Dear Parishioners, 'Peace, I give you. The Holy Spirit is sent by the Father in the name of Christ to teach us a new life. We are not to obey rules and regulations as something external but rather we keep God's law through a real conversion of heart. Then the peace of Christ which the world cannot give will come to us as Christ's gift.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I give thanks for the beautiful celebrations for our First Holy Communion Children last weekend; let us unite in thanking Jesus for our parents, teachers, catechists, families and all who had some part in this important moment of our children's journey in faith.

On Sunday 22nd June, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, we will be having a Corpus Christi procession at the end of the 11am Mass. All the First Holy Communion children are invited and are welcome to wear their Holy Communion outfits.

Welcome to Father Emmanuel Ogunnaike, from the Missionary Society of St Paul, who will be making the annual appeal on behalf of the Missions. There will be a Second Collection in response to Father's appeal.

Please pray for Louis Alexander Thomas O'Keeffe who will be baptised into the family of the Church this Sunday. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 19th June from 7.30pm-9pm. All are welcome. Please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy if you wish to attend.

I will be remembering your intentions whilst in Lourdes both in the Masses we celebrate and in prayer.

For emergency sick calls please contact the Friary 0121 706 0505.

We wish you a very happy and blessed St Augustine's Feast Day for May 27th. May St Augustine obtain God's special blessings on us all.

This Thursday is Ascension Thursday, a holy day of obligation. As for previous holy days there will be a vigil Mass on Wednesday evening at 7pm and a 9.30am Mass on Thursday at Our Lady of the Wayside in Shirley; and here at St Augustine's there will be 12.00 midday Mass and a 7pm evening Mass on Ascension Thursday. For the 7pm Mass free car parking has been requested in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park in Herbert Road.

On Saturday 7th June at St Brigid's Northfield (B31 5AB) an intercultural Mass will take place at 12.00 noon. Bishop David Evans will be the main celebrant.

On Sunday 8th June at 2pm a Pentecost African Mass will take place at Christ the King, Kingstanding. (B44 0QN).

Thank you for your contributions towards last week's 2nd Collection for Christian Aid.

Our thanks to Deacon Kevin who attended the 100th anniversary celebrations of St Teresa of Lisieux's Canonisation and who prayed for us on this special occasion.

Catechists Training Day at St Ambrose Barlow Hall Green, Saturday 28th June 10.30am-3.30pm. If interested, please speak with Father Dominic.

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: 2nd June; 16th June; 30th June 2025.

Offertory Collection last weekend: Gift Aid £166.10 Loose £880.31 Total: £1,046.41 Last weekend Second Collection: Christian Aid.£680.91

Second Collection this weekend; Missionary Society of St Paul Second Collection next weekend: Catholic Communications

St Alphege: new Director of Ministry for Children, Youth and Families for Solihull Parish. This follows the retirement of Linda Hicks who has served faithfully in this capacity for many years. The new role, which will for the first time also include oversight of youth, starts from September. The details- (advert, role description and person specification) are here: www.solihullparish.org.uk/job-vacancies See poster in porch for details.

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	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	Delbert Manorina	Breda Fleming	Pat Hurst	Andrea Cadman
Father Michael White	Father Tony Rohan	Eve	Benjamin Wort	Patrick Hickey	Callum Graham
Bridget McNamara	Ellen Gilmore	Ian Sanchez	Father Andrew McCann	Doreen and Wilson Cotton	
Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Donnell	Michael Leyland				

Ladies Parish Afternoon- Saturday June 14th 3-4.30pm Please bring some food to share. No booking. Just delighted if you turn up.

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

READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Saturday 24 th May 12.30pm T Cund	Saturday 24 th May 12.30pm	Sunday 25 th May 9am
Saturday 31 st May 12.30pm Bernard	A Kelly/ Jinny	M Hallissey/ G Sica
Sunday 25 th May 9am M Pearsall		Sunday 25 th May 11am E Duffy
Sunday 25 th May 11am C Hodrien	Saturday 31 st May 12.30pm	
	A Kelly/ Jinny	Sunday 1 st June 9am J Powers/
Sunday 1 st June 9am M Coburn		G Sica
Sunday 1 st June 11am Emanuella		Sunday 1 st June 11am A kelly

We Believe, 25th-28th July 2025, a festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of **St Mary's College, Oscott**, Sutton Coldfield. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Mgr Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more. Pilgrim-attendees can choose to come for the whole weekend (camping, staying locally or coming from home) at an adult Early Bird rate of £70, or for a day for £40. Early Bird Tickets available now at www.webelievefestival.com

CWL and SVP Joint project - Emergency Backpacks for released prisoners. We are working with the charity PACT Prison Advice and Care Trust (Charity number 219278) to provide essential emergency backpacks for released prisoners who are often destitute. Please can you help? We need donations of second-hand backpacks in good condition, and the following new items: new socks, new pants, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, face-flannels, deodorant, shampoo, shower gel, combs, brushes, notebooks, pens, Nut-free energy bars or chocolate bars, Warm hat and gloves (for Winter packs). There will be a box in each porch to collect your donated items. **Thank you for your help.**

<p>24th May Saturday</p> <p>Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 15:1-2,22-29 Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23 John 14:23-29 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Margaret & Michael Rochfort-RIP Jeanette Walton- Intention</p>	<p>Confessions 11am-12.00pm <i>Tea/Coffee available after Mass</i></p>
<p>25th May</p> <p>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</p>	<p>Acts 15:1-2,22-29 Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23 John 14:23-29 Public & Live streamed Masses</p> <p>9.00am Andy Cotter-RIP</p> <p>11.00am Patrick & Christine Flynn-RIP All People of the Parish</p>	<p><i>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</i></p>
<p>26th May Monday</p> <p>St Philip Neri</p>	<p>Acts 16:11-15 John 15:26-16:4 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Mary Cassidy-Intention</p>	
<p>27th May Tuesday</p> <p>FEAST St Augustine of Canterbury</p>	<p>1 Thessalonians 2:2-8 Luke 10:1-9 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am James Patrick Cooney-RIP</p>	<p>Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am</p>
<p>28th May Wednesday</p> <p>Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 17:15,22-18:1 John 16:12-15 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.00pm John ,Elizabeth & Patrick Ward_RIP</p>	<p>Confession 11.30am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk</p>
<p>29th May Thursday</p> <p>SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD Holy Day of Obligation</p>	<p>Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 1:17-23 OR Hebrews 9:24-28 Luke 24:46-53 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Annette & Frank Kelly Wedding Anniversary 7.00pm Mary & David Walker Special Intention</p>	
<p>30th May Friday</p> <p>SOLEMNITY OF DEDICATION</p>	<p>Apocalypse 21: 1-5 John 4:19-24 Public & Live streamed Masses 10.00am Ed Kennedy-Special Intention</p> <p>6.30pm Flor McBride-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour & Exposition 5.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm</p>
<p>31st May Saturday</p> <p>FEAST Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p>	<p>Acts 7:55-60 Apocalypse 22:12-14, 16-17,20 John 17:20-26 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Kathleen McGuire-RIP Jeanette & Robert Walton-Intention</p>	<p>Tea & Coffee available after Mass</p>
<p>1st June</p> <p>Seventh Sunday of Easter World Communications Day</p>	<p>Acts 7:55-60 Apocalypse 22:12-14, 16-17,20 John 17:20-26 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am All People of the Parish</p> <p>11.00am Vera & Ron Manton-RIP Teresa Noone-Intention</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>



O God of earth and sky,
as Jesus came among us in
Bethlehem to raise us up to
heaven,
so today we recall his
departing from us at
Jerusalem to be in all
places.
Though he is hidden from
our sight,
enable us to abide in him
by the power and grace of
the Holy Spirit,
until his mercy and grace
fill your whole creation.
Amen.

**As they were watching,
he was lifted up,
and a cloud took him
out of their sight.**

Acts 1.9

Please pray for: Pope Francis, Wayne O'Neill, Philomena Barreto, Angela Duffy, Josephine Egonu, Eileen Horsburgh, Chris Morgan-Cettler, Pat Clarke, Joseph Leyden, Terry Round, Anne-Marie Grimley who died recently.

Also, Joan Gorman, Keevan Collum O'Kane, Tom Reilly, Elizabeth (Betty) Clinton, Matthew Cooke, James Cosgrove, Maureen McQuillan, Baby Dani Rush, Catherine Thomasine Harvey, Joanne Moss, John Thomas Murphy, Richard Minto, Baby Mayzi Rae Williams, Henry George Walker, Catherine Wilcock, Christine Anne Flynn, Helen Hart, Marie Josephine Winsor, 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 sq.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.

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