

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

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 12th October 2025

Dear Parishioners, 'Give thanks to the Lord! We should always give thanks to the Lord for his constant goodness to us. He gives us new life through the death and resurrection of his Son, Jesus Christ. We know that if we die with him, we shall also live with him. We were like lepers through sin and now we are made new through Christ's saving power which cleanses and heals us.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: Father Joseph, (who returns from holiday this week), Deacon Kevin and I join with you in welcoming our former Mayor to the 11am Mass this Sunday. She will be presenting a cheque to the Parish for PACT (Prisoners Advice and Care Trust.) We also welcome some of our young Parishioners beginning their preparation for Confirmation.

Please pray for Daphne and Nathan Bentley and Harrison Jack Hyde who are to be baptised into the family of the Church this weekend. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 16th October between 7.30pm-9pm. If you would like to attend, please contact Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

St Augustine's Community Café are next meeting on Monday 20th December between 11.30am until 1.30pm. All are welcome. A hot meal will be served for those who wish to partake.

The United Reform Church - You are invited to the 200th Anniversary celebrations at URC on 1st & 2nd November 2025. Events start at 10am on 1st November and 2nd November. See poster of events in porch.

A day for Catechists has been organised at St Ambrose Barlow Church on Saturday 25th October from 10am until 3.45pm. If you would like to attend, please speak with Father Dominic.

Our sincere thanks to you for your regular weekly contributions. We have received from the Inland Revenue £6,484:87 in Gift Aid Tax Refund, plus a further £1,995.00 in loose change tax refunds, making a total of £8,479:87 for this last financial year. Thank you also for your generous response to the recent second collections, including last week's collection for Father Hudson's Caritas.

For news and events across the Archdiocese please visit the diocesan website- such events include an invitation from Radio Maria to their Mariathon, 15th-17th October; also an Autumn Party at Alton Castle; Saturday 25th October; also a Justice and Peace Assembly on Saturday 18th October at St Chad's Cathedral from 10.30am until 3.45pm. **Are there any Parishioners** who would like to help us establish the 'Live Simply' status from CAFOD. If so, please speak with Deacon Kevin and/or Father Dominic

First Holy Communion and Confirmation preparation for children who do not attend a Catholic School will begin later this term. For those youngsters who wish to be prepared for these Sacraments, please would their parents contact the presbytery. **St Augustine's** Primary School have a few places available in Nursery, Reception and Year 1. Please contact the School: telephone 0121 705 4355 **Are you interested in learning** more about the Catholic Faith, either as a Catholic or non-Catholic, please speak with Father Dominic. **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, they started on 4th September continuing every Thursday between 7.30pm-8.45pm. For further details please see posters in Church.

Offertory Collection last weekend: Gift Aid £221:66 loose £1,177:57 Total: £1,399:23 Second Collection last weekend: 2nd Collection last weekend CAFOD Harvest Fast- £1,935:39

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Anne Deary	Lali Ratnaraja
Daniel Meadows	Kevin McDauid	Jonathan Williams	Michael	Juliana Benjamin	Anthony Herron
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	Mary Philpott
Father Michael White	Benjamin Wort	Callum Graham	Michael Leyland	Wilson Cotton	Matthew Sheils
Bridget McNamara	Ellen Gilmore	Ian Sanchez	Father Andrew McCann -	Chris Docker	Eve
Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Donnell	Mrs. Bernie McCann	Bethany Tidyman	Nora Shearin		

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

READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 11 th Oct 12.30pm T Duffy	Saturday 11 th October 12.30pm	Sunday 12 th October 9am J& G Sica
Sat 18 th Oct 12.30pm T Cund	A.Kelly/Ginny	Sunday 12 th October 11am B Ngala
Sunday 12 th October 9am MC Barbour		
Sunday 12 th October 11am H Cettler	Saturday 18 th October 12.30pm	Sunday 19 th October 9am
Sunday 19 th October 9am Enrolment	R Wong/A Kelly	M Coburn/J Powers
Yr 3 School		Sunday 19 th October 11am J Hickey
Sunday 19 th October 11am R Noronha		

Church Groups : Catholic Women's League, CWL . A National Catholic organisation for all Catholic women. What do we do ? We gather in prayer and friendship monthly and our meetings include prayer services, speakers, socials, quizzes and other events. We support parish events and local , national and global charities by fundraising and practical help. We meet on local, diocesan and national levels as well as online. St Augustine's CWL section meet on the third Monday of each month at 7:30pm in the parish centre and there will be a warm welcome for new members so please come along if you are interested.

THANK YOU. The CWL and SVP thank all parishioners who made donations to the appeal for items for PACT backpacks for released prisoners. We were able to assemble 35 packs. These have recently been collected by PACT. The backpacks for men have been taken to Swinfen Young offenders prison near Lichfield and the 12 packs for women have been taken to Drake Hall Women's prison in Staffordshire. Thank you for your support and donations.

Mother's Prayers : Mon 13 th. Meeting in the Parish car park at **8pm** before going into Church.

Marriage Care is recruiting volunteers and Relationship Counsellor trainees to provide relationship support to couples. While our Certificate in Relationship Counselling (CRC) course for the 2027 intake will start accepting applications next year, we encourage potential applicants to first take on the role of Marriage Preparation Facilitator to gain experience and explore their passions in the year before entering the CRC programme. We encourage you to sign up as soon as possible and **before 15 October 2025** to be in time for our upcoming round of training. Please visit www.marriagecare.org.uk/get-involved/ or email the Birmingham Centre Co-ordinator at birmingham.admin@marriagecare.org for signing up or enquiries.

MEETING FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN NON- CATHOLIC SCHOOLS, YEAR 3

There is a meeting for parents requesting a place for their child in 2025- 2026 seeking to make their Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Meeting Date: Tuesday 14th October 2025, 6pm in Church. Please contact Libby Service on 07568 508271 to confirm whether you will be attending. **ENROLMENT MASS, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN**
 This year's Enrolment Mass for ALL children making their First Holy Communion, will be 9am Mass NEXT SUNDAY 19th October at St Augustine's. Please arrive early to ensure a seat. If your child attends a non- Catholic school, please contact Libby Service on 07568 508271 beforehand.

<p>11th October Saturday</p> <p>Blessed William Howard/ St John XXIII</p>	<p>Kings 5:14-17 2 Timothy 2:8-13 Luke 17:11-19</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm John & Kathleen Casserly-50th Wedding Anniversary Christine & Michael Scott-50th Wedding Anniversary</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass</p>
<p>12th October</p> <p>TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>Prisons Week</p>	<p>Kings 5:14-17 2 Timothy 2:8-13 Luke 17:11-19</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Masses</p> <p>9.00am Anna Ransome-Intention</p> <p>11.00am John & Michelle James-Ruby Wedding Anniversary All People of the Parish</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>
<p>13th October Monday</p> <p>Feria in Ordinary Time St Edward the Confessor</p>	<p>Roman 1:1-7 Luke 11:29-32</p> <p>Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Thanksgiving Savio Anthony Noronha Nora Shearin-Intention</p>	
<p>14th October Tuesday</p> <p>Feria in Ordinary Time St Callistus</p>	<p>Romans 1:16-25 Luke 11:37-41</p> <p>Public and Live streamed Mas 11.00am Requiem Michael Donnelly</p>	<p>Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am</p>
<p>15th October Wednesday</p> <p>St Teresa of Jesus</p>	<p>Romans 2:1-11 Luke 11:42-46</p> <p>Public and Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Bridie Withers-Intention</p>	<p>Confession 11.30am Lectio Divina 7.30pm-8.15pm staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk</p>
<p>16th October Thursday</p> <p>Feria in Ordinary Time St Hedwig/ St Margaret Mary Alacoque</p>	<p>Romans 3:21-30 Luke 11:47-54</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Requiem Alan Gorman Bernard Griffin-RIP</p>	
<p>17th October Friday</p> <p>St Ignatius of Antioch</p>	<p>Romans 4:1-8 Luke 12:1-7</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Masses 10.00am Rita Titchmarch-Intention</p> <p>6.30pm Monsignor Paul Watson-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour & Exposition 5.15pm- 6.15pm Followed by Mass 6.30pm</p>
<p>18th October Saturday</p> <p>FEAST St Luke</p>	<p>Exodus 17:8-13 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2 Luke 18:1-8</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Peter Tickell-Intention Elizabeth Jane Taylor-Birthday</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass</p>
<p>19th October</p> <p>Twenty- Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>World Mission Day</p>	<p>Exodus 17:8-13 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2 Luke 18:1-8</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Masses</p> <p>9.00am Irene Sutton- RIP</p> <p>11.00am Paddy Ryan-RIP Maggie Keane-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>

PRAYERS FOR PRISONS WEEK

Lord Jesus Christ,

You have come so that we may have life to the full,

Listen to our prayers for all in prison and their families, Touched by your spirit,

May they find newness of heart and be open to that new life that is found only in you.

May they know care, and receive support from those around them.

May they find new purpose in serving you in their brothers and sisters.Amen

Written for Pact by the Rt. Rev. Richard Moth, Liaison Bishop for Prisons, Catholic Bishops' Conference in England and Wales

Lord Jesus you know what it is to be held captive. We pray for all those resident in prison and their families.May they be aware of your presence with them and may your spirit bring them peace and the hope of new life in Jesus Christ.

May the walls of prison provide a secure place for them to discover both their need for you and that they are loved unconditionally by you.We pray for all who work in prisons, keep them safe and help them to know and demonstrate your compassion and grace in their daily lives.

Please pray for: Peter John Bates, Michael Donnelly,(Requiem Tuesday 14th October, 11am) ,Alan Gorman (Requiem Thursday 16th October, 12pm; Reception Wednesday 15th October 6pm),Baby Martin Joseph Smith, Father Noel Breslin, Doctor Denys Nicol ,Denis Linehan, Father Paul Johnson, Paul Malone, Dymphna McKiernan, Robin Easterby, John Pears, Gilbert Anderson, Mavis Reynolds, Bernadette Harris Delia Finnegan, Father Tony Rohan, Andrew Lockington and Sister Maura Magner M.M.M.

Also, Ann Jones, Edward Lingard, John Rice, Rita Flynn, Patrick Joseph O'Connor, Kathleen Curley, Maurice Mullane, Sheila Smith, Stephen Patrick Delaney, Richard Palmer, Peter Satelle, William Jones and all with anniversaries at this time.

'Bereavement Group - Upcoming dates-'Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Meeting Room. Wednesdays 10:45am 2025: Wed 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.

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.

The Carlo Acutis Youth Group meets at the Friary every Friday evening between 6.30pm-8.30pm for Years 6 and upwards. If you would like to attend, you are very welcome. Please take a friend with you.

