

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh

Deacon Kevin O'Connor (Retired)

Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday Year A 12th April 2026

Father Dominic writes: 'We do not see yet we believe! God has created a new human family through his raising of Jesus Christ from the dead. It is our belief in the resurrection of Jesus Christ which becomes the source of Christ's life within us. We do not see yet we believe. Our faith overcomes our doubts and we acknowledge the power of the risen Christ.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Dear Parishioners: Deacon Kevin and I wish you all many joyful blessings on this Divine Mercy Sunday. May God who is rich in mercy enable us to draw water joyfully from the pierced side of Christ, the spring of salvation.

Thank you so much for your prayerful participation in the Holy Week liturgies; our sincere thanks to all who have beautified the Church in preparation for Holy Week and Easter; to our Altar Servers, Choir, Choir Mistress and Musicians; to our Church Wardens, Cleaners, Readers and Special Ministers of Holy Communion; to our Catechists and those who lead the Children's Liturgy; and those of you who organised the Family Stations of the Cross. Thank you to your generous support of the more general Parish activities and services of the wider community, especially your reaching out to the more vulnerable members of our Parish family and residents of Solihull. We are grateful to Bobby and Bob Ryder for their organising of the Parish website. Our gratitude to Bernadette, our Parish Secretary for her generous service, and to Annette and Franc Kelly for their kindness and care, along with Annetta, and Beata. Thank you to all who serve the Parish so generously in a voluntary role. Finally, our sincere thanks for your Easter Offerings, Prayers, Masses and cards. It is greatly appreciated.

The news and events across the Archdiocese include the following:

'Is your Son being called to the Priesthood?' A Young Discerners' group invites young men (School Years 9-13) to a meeting on Saturday 9th May at St Mary's College, Oscott. Parents are also invited as part of a parallel programme. It is a free event, but booking is essential: deacon.owen@vocations.org.uk Telephone 0121 321 5135 The diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham takes place on Saturday 9th May Fr Philip Griffin is the pilgrimage organiser and Mass will be celebrated by Canon Jonathan Veasey. Starting at 11am and finishing at 5pm.

The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 16th April between 7.30pm-9pm in the Presbytery. Please inform Mrs Mary Clark or Father Dominic if you wish to attend.

Deacon Kevin has officially retired as a Deacon now that he has reached his 75th birthday. We are pleased however, that he will continue to exercise some of his duties as a Deacon. You are welcome to join Deacon Kevin after the 11am Mass this Sunday, April 12th, to celebrate his birthday, with some light refreshments. A mini-fayre will take place on Saturday 25th April in the Parish Hall, from 1.30pm-3.30pm. We would welcome any gifts suitable for Tombola and Raffle. Cakes and suitable gifts would be welcome (no bric-a-brac). The proceeds will go to a poor Parish, within the deanery, to help them with repairs to their Church roof.

Mass on Tuesday at 10am, is a Requiem Mass for Michael Joseph O'Gorman; all are welcome.

The Diocesan Mass for Marriage takes place on Saturday 2nd May 12.00 noon at Chad's Cathedral. Please register by Sunday 19th April. If you have any significant anniversary or are engaged to be married, or simply to give thanks for your marriage, you are welcome to attend. For further information please visit: www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass.

PILGRIMAGE TO LISIEUX- in the footsteps of St Therese. The spiritual programme is based on the teachings of St Therese and 'The Little Way'. Leaving from Westminster Cathedral, London. Travelling by coach-£599. 8th to 11th August. More information from Tangney Tours- 01732 886666

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 McDaid	Jonathan Williams	Michael	Juliana Benjamin	Nora Shearin
Patricia Mann	Larry Perkins	Damian Poole	Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans	Catherine Walton
Harry Conlon	Eileen Nolan	Rita Titchmarsh	Helen Brookes	Eve	Bethany Tidyman
James Brown	John McCarthy	Savio Baretto	Roger Cox	Fr Gerard Kelly	Tom Duffy
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	Angela Keating
Bridget McNamara	Ellen Gilmore	Ian Sanchez	Chris Docker	Jeanette and Robert Walton	
Michael, Patrick, Aidan and Anne O'Donnell	Mrs. Bernie McCann	Nora Ferguson	Matilda Polidori	Ginny Coll	

READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 11 th April 12.30pm T Cund	Saturday 11 th April 12.30pm	April 12 th 9am M Coburn/G Sica
Sat 18 th April 12.30pm Bernard	A Kelly/R Wong	April 12 th 11am J Hickey
Sunday 12 th April 9am M Pearsall	Saturday 18 th April 12.30pm	April 19 th 9am J Sica/M Hallissey
Sunday 12 th April 11am R Noronha	Ginny/J Wong	April 19 th 11am B Ngala
Sunday 19 th April 9am T Choi		
Sunday 19 th April 11am C Hodrien		

'Bereavement Group - Upcoming dates-'Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Meeting Room. Wednesdays 10:45am **2026:** Wed 13th May 10th June 8th July Supporting you in 'Bereavement'. **Meditation Group** - Upcoming dates" Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Parish Meeting Room. Mondays 1pm; 27th April; 11th & 25th May; 8th & 22nd June; 6th July


Calling men of all ages and states of life: book your place at 'Commissioned', the National Men's Pro-life Conference, on April 18th at Birmingham Christian College. Through compelling talks on fatherhood, marriage, post-abortion healing, spiritual warfare and sexual responsibility learn to live out your vocation with humility, courage and integrity. For more info including speakers or to book your place go to <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/commissioned-pro-life-mens-conference/> or contact info@marchforlife.co.uk

Musical Pilgrimage on the Augustine Camino June 8th-14th 2026

From Rochester Cathedral, we will walk about 10 miles a day through the beautiful Kent countryside to Canterbury, then onto the shrine of St Augustine in Ramsgate. Each evening, Eddie Gilmore will perform a little concert in a pub en route. Contact Eddie for more details: gileag@gmail.com www.eddiegilmore.org

8th Solihull (St. Augustine's) Rainbows  meet at St. Augustine's Parish Hall every Wednesday between 5.30-6.30pm Our unit, run by 3 volunteer leaders, would welcome girls aged between 4 and 7 (Reception-Year 2) to join us. We follow the Girlguiding Rainbows programme, where girls have the opportunity to earn lots of lovely badges whilst sharing giggles and building skills of tenacity, teamwork and creative thinking. To register your interest, please visit: <http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/>

Mothers Prayers Meeting Mon 13th at 8pm Praying together in Church for our children. **Meet promptly at 8 in Church Car Park**

<p>11th April Easter Saturday</p> <p>Solemnity</p>	<p>Acts 2:42-47 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Mass</p> <p>12.30pm Phillip Cannel-RIP Susan Joyce-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm</p> <p>Confessions 11am-12.00pm</p>
<p>12th April</p> <p>SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER</p> <p>Divine Mercy Sunday</p>	<p>Acts 2:42-47 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Masses</p> <p>9.00am Michael O'Reilly-RIP All People of the Parish</p> <p>11.00am Paulina Samathar-RIP Sheila Murray-Intention</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p> 
<p>13th April Monday</p> <p>Easter Feria</p> <p>St Martin 1</p>	<p>Acts 4:23-31 John 3:1-8</p> <p>Public and Live streamed Mass</p> <p>9.30am Stephen Dalzell-RIP Holy Souls</p>	<p>Mothers' Prayers 8pm</p>
<p>14th April Tuesday</p> <p>Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 4:32-37 John 3:7-15</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Mass</p> <p>10.00am Requiem Michael Joseph O'Gorman</p>	<p>Toddlers' Group 9.30am-11.30am</p>
<p>15th April Wednesday</p> <p>Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 5:17-26 John 3:16-21</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Mass</p> <p>12.00pm John Martin McLean-RIP Father Eamonn Corduff-Intention</p>	<p>No 'Lectio Divina' - this week.</p>
<p>16th April Thursday</p> <p>Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 5:27-33 John 3:31-36</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Mass</p> <p>12.00pm Stephanie Taylor-Intention Sharpe & Spice Families & Ana</p>	<p>Baptism Preparation Evening 7.30pm-9pm-Presbytery Prayer Meeting 7.00-8.00pm</p>
<p>17th April Friday</p> <p>Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 5:34-42 John 6:1-15</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Mass</p> <p>6.30pm Nicolau Barreto-RIP</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm-followed by Mass 6.30pm</p>
<p>18th April Saturday</p> <p>Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 2:14, 22-33 1 Peter 1:17-21 Luke 24:13-35</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Mass</p> <p>12.30pm Rosaleen Greenlees-Intention</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confession 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass</p>
<p>19th April</p> <p>Third Sunday of Easter</p>	<p>Acts 2:14, 22-33 1 Peter 1:17-21 Luke 24:13-35</p> <p>Public & Live streamed Masses</p> <p>9.00am Father Joseph Narikuzhi-RIP</p> <p>11.00am Kathy & Tony Street-40th Wedding Anniversary</p>	<p>Tea /Coffee available after both Masses</p>

A Prayer for Divine Mercy Sunday

Pray this on April 12 – or in the days leading up to it – with an open and trusting heart.

Lord of all mercy,

On this day You open the depths of Your heart to every soul that comes to You.

I come not because I deserve it, but because You promised – and Your promises do not fail.

Take everything I have carried in shame. Wash me in the ocean of Your mercy.

*Let me leave this day renewed in Your mercy **Jesus, I trust in You.** Amen.*



Please pray for: Laurence Marie Knight, Paulina Samathar, Patricia Butler, Clare Elizabeth Klein, Stephen Jenkins, Chris Johnson, Mary Munko, Mary Louisa Law, Francis (Frank) Valentine Byrne, and Roni (Veronica) Pickering, Bridget Mary Williams, Cornelius Callanan, Margaret Brigid McCabe, Michael Joseph O’Gorman (Requiem 14th April 10am), Della Martina Quinn, (Requiem Our Lady of Mount Carmel Redditch; 21st April 11am. Reception 20th April 4pm), Margaret Stanley, (Requiem Thursday 23rd April; 11am) who died recently.

Also, Bridie Coffey, Margaret Kathleen Floyd Mary Farrell, Kathleen Harris, Teresa Waldron, Ann McGowan, Laurence Christopher Redmond, Sheelagh Margaret Orme, Dr Peter Loly, Dennis Joseph McLaughlin James Stephen Devine, Jack O’Connor, Patrick Butler, Daniel Edward (Eddie) McAlear, Thomas Michael Hughes, Monica Ethna Thomas, Hugh Francis, Baby Logan Cheshire, Alan David Craythorne, Kevin Joseph Crowley, Karen Stoakes, Pauline Waters, and all with anniversaries is 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 if you have any concerns.

This Church live streams Mass and other events. Please see notices in Church for more details.

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