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SAINT AUGUSTINE OF ENGLAND CATHOLIC CHURCH.

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Fr Dominic Kavanagh

Deacon Kevin O'Connor (Retired)

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 5th July 2026

Father Dominic writes: 'Christ's yoke is sweet and his burden light. Christ, even though he is the Son of God, humbles himself and comes among us in human form. He embraces our condition and knows at first hand our worries and anxieties. The Holy Spirit makes Christ live in us so that we find rest for our souls.'

Dear Parishioners: The prophet Zechariah urges us, 'Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! - behold, your king is coming to you- and He shall speak peace to the nations.' How beautifully this prophecy has been fulfilled in Jesus, who also urges us: 'Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest, for my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

Please **pray for Brody Aidan Quinn** who is to be baptised into the family off the Church this weekend. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 16th July from 7.30pm until 9pm. If you would like to attend, please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

The annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine in Hednesford takes place this Sunday, July 5th, leaving St Augustine's at 1pm. Please bring a packed lunch. There are further places available on the minibus if any more Parishioners wish to go. Please speak with Father Dominic or Mrs Annette Kelly.

An inclusive Mass for People with S.E.N. and Disabilities takes place each month at Our Lady and St Brigid's Church, Northfield. These are the forthcoming dates: 26th July, 23rd August, 27th September from 4pm to 4.20pm. Refreshments served afterwards.

For emergency calls in Father Dominic's absence, please contact Olton Friary on 012 706 0505 or The Columban Fathers on- 01564 772 096 or St George and St Teresa's on- 01564 772 098.

Maryvale Institute are offering a new online course on the Sacrament of Marriage. It comprises a full academic year of theological formation- open to anyone, no prior study required, starting September 2026. For further information call 012 360 8118. from 2.30pm.

St Augustine's Primary School have a vacancy for a Caretaker, beginning September 2026. For further details please contact School Office at: 85office@st-augustines.solihullsch.uk or telephone 0121 705 4355.

St Augustine's Catholic Primary School-Places available in Nursery and Years 2 and 3 from September. Is your child due to start Nursery (born Sept 2022 – August 2023) or years 2 or 3 in September 2026? Spaces have become available at St Augustine's school to start in September. The nursery offers a full time (8:50-3:20pm) provision, term time only. Application forms can be found on the school website <https://www.st-augustines.solihull.sch.uk/admissions/> or by contacting the school office on 0121 705 4355 or 85office@st-augustines.solihull.sch.uk.

The Summer Fayre will take place on Saturday 18th July. 1.30pm-4pm. Items needed: Prizes for Tombola and raffle, Bottles, Cakes, and other items in good condition. Help is needed to set up in the garden on Friday 17th July at 4pm; also, to tidy up after the Fayre. Thank you.

Gift Aid: £232:22 (special thanks to those who Gift Aid their donation, allowing us to claim an additional £58:05) Loose £819:23 Total: £ 1,051:45. Standing Orders for the month of May £2,950 Second Collection last week: Peter's Pence - £604:12. Thank you also to those who Gift Aid via the parish website. Second Collection next Sunday: **Apostleship of the Sea-Sea Farers Sunday falls on 12 July**. On this day we pause to remember the seafarers who sustain global trade and often work far from home, and we support the pastoral and practical care offered to them around the world. The disruption to shipping in the Strait of Hormuz resulted in an estimated 20,000 seafarers stranded on board ships, facing heightened risk and considerable mental strain. Sadly, several have also been killed.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Lali Ratnaraja	Angela Keating	Mary Cassidy	Rosemary Knowles	Philomena Kenny	Phillip O'Neill
Briege Williams	Jonathan Williams	Father Pat Sayles	Maureen Hughes	Kitty Gardener	Julie Hickey
Adrian Boyes	Patrick Mitchell	Catherine Bird	Helen Kirk	Patrick Murphy	Patricia Sheasby
Edward Martin	Jess Stanton	Daniel Meadows			

READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 4 th July 12.30pm Bernard	Saturday 4 th July 12.30pm	Sunday 5 th July 9am J & G Sica
Sat 11 th July 12.30pm J Sharpe	R Wong/Ginny	
Sun 5 th July 9am T Choi		Sunday 5 th July 11am B Ngala
Sun 5 th July 11am M Watts	Saturday 11 th July 12.30pm	
Sunday 12 th July 9am Y Solazzo	R & J Wong	Sunday 12 th July 9am
Sunday 12 th July 11am E Young		M Hallissey/ J Powers
		Sunday 12 th July 11am J Hickey

Bereavement Group – Upcoming dates- ‘Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Meeting Room. Wednesdays 10:45am 2026: 8th July Supporting you in ‘Bereavement’. Meditation **Group** – Upcoming dates” Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Parish Meeting Room. Mondays 1pm; 6th July

We Believe Festival- an unmissable opportunity to discover the traditions and charisms that flow through the Church, to grow in authentic community, and to encounter the transforming love of God.

Join us from **Friday 24 - Monday 27 July** at the historic and beautiful setting of St Mary’s College, Oscott for a feast of the True, the Good and the Beautiful. *There is a 33% discount on day tickets using the code 'BIRMINGHAM-DISCOUNT' at checkout.* Last year more than 2,000 Catholics gathered in the grounds for the first-ever *We Believe Festival*, celebrating Catholic life and faith. The event is hosted by St Mary’s College, Oscott, and the Guild of Our Lady of Ransom. See poster in porch.

Lectio Divina by zoom, will continue this Wednesday from 7.30pm-8.15pm. All are welcome.

For News and events around the archdiocese please visit the diocesan website:

www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk Such events include 1. An art competition to design front covers for each book of the bible-Divine Designs-Between the Covers. 2. An Open Day at Father Hudsons Caritas on Thursday 9th July. **Please pray for Deacon Jithin Thomas Titto**, who is to be ordained to the Priesthood on Monday 6th July at 2pm at St Chad’s Cathedral, according to the Syro-Malankara Rite; and for Deacon Tenny Antony who will be ordained on July 10th at 11am, at St Chad’s Cathedral, for the Syro-Malabar Rite. Also, Deacon Jonathan Henry, who is to be ordained for the archdiocese, at St Chad’s Cathedral on Saturday 4th July at 12.00pm. Please pray also for a Trainee Deacon, Andrew Cheng, who is to be Ordained on Saturday 18th July at 12.00 midday at Saint Chad’s Cathedral. Andrew’s first Mass as a newly Ordained Deacon will take place here at Saint Augustine’s on Sunday 19th July at 3.00pm. Andrew will help Monsignor Danny in Monsignor’s role as co-ordinator of the Ethnic Chaplaincies.

Marriage in a Rut? Or need our help with deeper issues? Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage. Next dates 2nd-4th October. <http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info> Telephone: 07788 729 6983

<p>4th July Saturday St Elizabeth of Portugal</p>	<p>Zechariah 9:9-10 Romans 8:9,11-13 Matthew 11:25-30 Public & Live Streamed Mass 12.30pm Deceased members of Hedgecox Family Rosaleen Greenless</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee after Mass</p>
<p>5th July FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p>	<p>Zachariah 9:9-10 Romans 8:9,11-13 Matthew 11:25-30 Public & Live Streamed Masses 9.00am Helen, Paul Super & Family-Intentions All People of the Parish 11.00am Bernadette McCann & Family-Intentions Kate Wild-Intentions</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after both Masses</p>
<p>6th July Monday Feria in Ordinary Time St Maria Goretti</p>	<p>Hosea 2:14-16,19-20 Matthew 9:18-26 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Jose Andrade-RIP Cornelius Callanan-RIP</p>	
<p>7th July Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Hosea 8:4-7,11-13 Matthew 9:32-38 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Wilma Schilder-Intention</p>	<p>Toddlers' Group 9.30am- 11.30am</p>
<p>8th July Wednesday Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Hosea 10:1-3,7-8,12 Matthew 10:1-7 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Chris Johnson-RIP</p>	<p>Confessions 11.15-11.45am 'Lectio Divina' - this week. Email for the link: staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk</p>
<p>9th July Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time Ss Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions</p>	<p>Hosea 11:1-4,8-9 Matthew 10:7-15 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Joan Reading-RIP</p>	<p>Prayer Meeting 7.00-8.00pm</p>
<p>10th July Friday Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Hosea 14:1-9 Matthew 10:16-23 Public & Live streamed Mass 6.30pm Imogen Beth Breeze-Intention Father David Benedict Osbourne-Intention</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm- followed by Mass 6.30pm</p>
<p>11th July Saturday FEAST St Benedict Day of Prayer for Europe</p>	<p>Isaiah 55:10-11 Romans 8:18-23 Matthew 13:1-23 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Mary Agatha Harris-RIP Elizabeth Hope-Intention</p>	<p>Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confession 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass</p>
<p>12th July Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sea Farers' Sunday</p>	<p>Isaiah 55:10-11 Romans 8:18-23 Matthew 13:1-23 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am John White-RIP All People of the Parish 11.00am Ben Susan & Dymphna McKiernan-RIP Intercession of Archangel Raphael-Rose Davis</p>	<p>Tea /Coffee available after both Masses</p>

FOREVER IN YOUR LOVE

Lord keep us safe especially on our journeys,
When we're worried for loved ones
About the weather, about accidents,
Or just concern about being in far-off places
Or unfamiliar circumstances.

Watch over us in all that happens to us.

And watch over me, Lord, as I come to the next bend.
On my journey through life, the next stage,
The unknown dangers, the concerns about health.

Most of all, Lord, I entrust my very being
To your loving care, so that with your help
I may arrive safely at my final destination.
And dwell forever in your love. Amen.

Father Pat Sayles

Please pray for: Bob Dipple, Glynis Hawkins, Helen Mary Teresa McGrath, Jim Harding, Philip Gartland, (Funeral Service, Woodlands Cemetery, Friday 10th July, 10am), Sonya O'Shea (Requiem, Tuesday 28th July, 11.30am), Anne McManus, (St. Thomas More's 23rd July 11.30am) David & Edna Powers, Mary Gately, Michael Joseph O'Gorman, Anthony Parsons, Nicholas Ian Barnett, Anne Millward, Susan Kelly, Julie Agnew, and Henry Oliver Price who died recently.

Also, Kitty Watson, Francis Joseph Hatton, Corrine Vera Harley, Margery Pelham, Kathleen Sprake, Michael Francis Long, Brigid (Bridie) Connolly, Peter (Ben) McKiernan, Michael Ralph Sharples, Dorothy Wyles, Albie Burke, Patricia Bates, Winifred Joyce Loveridge, Kevin Colman, Sheila Margaret Patricia Bush, Tony Jordan, Mary Harris, Mary (Maura) Murray 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 if you have any concerns.

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

