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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Fr Prem Fernando Deacon Kevin O'Connor (Retired)

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 13th September 2026

Father Dominic writes. 'Forgive from your heart. Christ is the perfect example of forgiveness. He died for us when we were still his enemies by sin and through his death we are brought to life. His life and death have an influence on all of us. Now we must forgive each other as Christ forgives us since we ask God to forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Dear Parishioners, Our Lord asks us to forgive each other 'from the heart.' May He give us the grace to do so for 'It is the Lord who forgives all your sins, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with mercy and compassion.'

To mark Education Sunday, which falls this Sunday, Archbishop Bernard has written a pastoral letter. Copies are available in both porches.

Please pray for Jack Peter Rose and Maxy Michael Gorman who are to be baptized into the family of the Church this weekend. The next baptismal preparation evening will take place on Thursday 1st October from 7.30-9.00pm. All are welcome. If you would like to attend, please inform Mrs Mary Clark or one of the Clergy.

I will be on holiday until Wednesday 23rd. In addition to contacting Fr Prem for emergency sick calls, please contact The Friary on- 0121 706 0505 or Our Lady of the Wayside on- 0121 744 1967.

For those of you who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith, you are welcome to join the Journey of Faith programme at Olton Friary. The weekly Meetings start on Monday 14th September from 7.15pm-8.45pm. If you wish to participate, please contact Mary Eames directly on 07773205740.

Father Hudson's Caritas are hoping to recruit Parish Ambassadors from each parish. For further details please see poster in porch.

The Season of Creation runs from September 1st to October 4th and has as its theme 'Living Water', inspired by the vision of God's life-giving water, bringing renewal and healing to creation. A range of resources are available on the diocesan website. www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

A Parents' evening has been arranged for the parents of St Augustine's Year 6 pupils at St Augustine's School at 6pm on Thursday 24th September.

Are there any youngsters who do not attend a Catholic School and who would be eligible for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion (normally aged 7/8) and/or Confirmation (normally aged 10-12). Please let Miss Libby Service or one of the Clergy know at your earliest convenience.

St Margaret Mary Church in Birmingham (B23 7AB)- invite you to their Patronal Mass and centenary Year Celebration on 16th October 2026, at 7pm. Celebrant and Preacher, Bishop David Evans.

Mothers Prayers Mon 14th 8pm Meeting point Church car park prompt at 8pm.

Gift Aid: £256 (A special thanks to those who Gift Aid their donation, allowing us to claim an additional £64.) Loose £980:61 Total-£1,236:61 Standing Orders for month of July:£3,447 .2nd collection last week for CAFOD (Nepal & Tibet disaster) £1,461:67 This weekend Second Collection: Catholic Education Service **Education Sunday An Invitation from Archbishop Bernard Longley** Today we give thanks for the gift of Catholic education. Our schools have a mission to form Christ-centred pilgrims of hope, with kind hearts, questioning minds, a thirst for knowledge and a hunger for justice. There is a real need for more foundation directors and governors to help guide our schools and keep Christ at the heart of their mission. This is not simply an administrative role; it is a true vocation and a practical way to serve Christ and His Church. If you are a practising Catholic, committed to our mission, and willing to share your time, skills and faith, you can make a lasting difference for thousands of children and young people. No prior experience is required, as full training and support are provided. God's unconditional love and readiness to forgive our sins remind us that service is not always easy, but it is always fruitful when rooted in love. Please speak to your parish priest or visit the Diocesan Education Service website for further details and to complete an online application form.: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/could-you-be-a-foundation-governor-or-director-at-your-local-catholic-school> and <https://www.bdes.org.uk/governor-online-application-forms.html>.

Next Sunday 2nd Collection for: Evangelisation

An inclusive Mass for People with SEN and Disabilities takes place each month at Our Lady and St Brigid's Church, Northfield. This is the forthcoming date: 27th September from 4pm to 4.20pm, Refreshments served afterwards.

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
Patrick Mitchell	Catherine Bird	Helen Kirk	Patricia Murphy	Patricia Sheasby	Edward O'Prey
Edward Martin	Jess Stanton	Daniel Meadows	Delia Gaughan	Karen Beale	

READERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 12 th Sept 12.30pm Bernard	Saturday 12 th September 12.30pm R & J Wong	Sunday 13 th September 9am J Powers/M Coburn
Sat 19 th Sept 12.30pm T Cund		Sunday 13 th Sept 11am P Davis
Sunday 13 th Sept 9am M Pearsall	Saturday 19 th September 12.30pm Ginny/R Wong	Sunday 20 th September 9am G Sica/
Sunday 13 th Sept 11am R Noronha		Sunday 20 th Sept 11am A Kelly
Sunday 20 th Sept 9am T Choi		
Sunday 20 th Sept 11am C Hodrien		

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 **Dates for your diary: Thursday 1st October** 7.30pm-9pm—the next baptismal preparation evening. **Saturday 3rd October.** Invitation to all who carry out a particular Ministry, e.g. Readers, Church Wardens etc, to come together with Parishioners from cluster parishes, at Olton Friary on **Saturday 3rd October.** Starts with Mass at 10.15am; Refreshments 11am. 11.30-12.30pm Discussion/Meetings and sharing good practise. **Saturday 10th October-** Catechists and would-be Catechists, a gathering at Erdington Abbey. 10am for 10.30am start, finishing at 3.30pm with Prayer & Benediction. Please bring a packed lunch. Cost £5. **Saturday 17th October** CAFOD and Father Hudson's Caritas invite you to a 'LOVE IN ACTION' here at St Augustine's. 2pm-4.30pm (Mass at 12.30pm). All who are interested in social justice issues, including care for the poor and care for the environment, are encouraged to come along to St Augustine's Parish Hall.

12th September Saturday Most Holy Name of Mary	Sirach 27:30-28:47 Romans 14:7-9 Matthew 18:21-35 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Bob Dipple-RIP Alan Gorman-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confessions 11am-12.00pm Refreshments after Mass
13th September TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Education Day	Sirach 27:30-28:47 Romans 14:7-9 Matthew 18:21-35 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am Charlie & Tina McDaid-60 th Wedding Anniv 11.00am Tony Duffy-RIP Maria Emila Azevedo-RIP	Tea/Coffee available after both Masses.
14th September Monday FEAST Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Numbers 21:4-9 OR Philippians 2:6-11 John 3:13-17 Public and Live streamed Mass 9.30am Deacon Kevin-Intention	Mothers Prayers 8pm Meeting point Church car park prompt at 8.pm
15th September Tuesday Our Lady of Sorrows	1 Corinthians 12:12-14,27-31 John 9:25-27 OR Luke 2:33-35 Public & Live streamed Mass 10.00am Cornelius Callanan-RIP	Toddlers' Group 9.30-11.30am in the parish hall.
16th September Wednesday Ss Cornelius & Cyprian	1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 Luke 7:31-35 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm Margaret Anne Conway-RIP	Confessions 11.15-11.45am 'Lectio Divina' - this week. Email for the link: staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
17th September Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time St Robert Bellarmine/ St Hildegard of Bingen	1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 7:36-50 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.00pm George Richard Harris-RIP	Prayer Meeting 7.00-8.00pm
18th September Friday Feria in Ordinary Time	1 Corinthians 15:12-20 Luke 8:1-3 Public & Live streamed Mass 6.30pm Bridie Williams-RIP	Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm- followed by Mass 6.30pm
19th September Saturday Feria in Ordinary Time St Theodore of Canterbury/ St Januarius	Isaiah 55:6-9 Philippians 1:20-24,27 Matthew 20:1-16 Public & Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Janet Horsfield-RIP	Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm Confession 11am-12.00pm Tea/Coffee available after Mass
20th September Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Evangelii Gaudium Day	Isaiah 55:6-9 Philippians 1:20-24,27 Matthew 20:1-16 Public & Live streamed Masses 9.00am All People of the Parish 11.00am Thanksgiving Magdelene Jenkinson Thanksgiving Reina D'Souza	Tea /Coffee available after both Masses

PRAYER FOR EDUCATION SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13th 2026

Heavenly Father, we give thanks for the gift of education
and for all who teach, guide, and support learners in our
schools, colleges, and universities.

May our educational communities be filled with
compassion, understanding, and respect,
so that every child and young person can grow in knowledge,
wisdom, and character. Help us to live well together,
embracing diversity, forgiveness, and mutual care,
and to use our learning to serve others and build a better world. Lord, in your mercy, hear our
prayer.

Please pray for: Jim Harding, Philip Gartland, Sonya O'Shea, Michael Joseph O'Mahoney, Mrs Faye Hicks, Bob Dipple, Tony Duffy, Peter Alfred Foley, Geraldine McAndrew, Reginald Harding, Nicholas Ian Barnett, Susan Kelly, Julie Agnew, Henry Oliver Price, Christopher Jeffrey Pedley (Requiem 24th September 11am) Paul Ralph Stokes who died recently.

Also, Teresa Wood, Valerie Harvey, James Patrick Haveron, Margaret Dunne, Rose Mary Walsh, John Foley, Thomas Joseph Smith, Alan Gorman, Anthony Christopher Delaney, Canon Robert Nicholson, Patricia Hadland, Amanda Denton-Hawkes, Rose Tirey, Ellen Blakemore, Kathleen Mary Whitehouse, Christopher Hinckley, Charles Mobsby, Liam Jones, John Morgan, Margaret Veronica Jones, Noreen Mary Cecilia Porter, 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: Amanda Felton and Veronica Walsh. 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.

Olton Friary Presents *A Centenary Celebration Concert*. Saturday 3rd October, 7.30pm. A concert celebrating music from the last 100 years, in aid of the Organ fund featuring guest organist Pavlos Triantaris, Olton Friary Choir, and dance cabaret. Tickets £12 per person. Under 12s go free. For tickets or more information please email geraldine.gnych@oltonfriary.org.uk Please see poster.

CAFOD Event at St Chad's Cathedral-Join us on **Saturday 19 September from 10am** in the **Masterson Room, St Chad's Cathedral**, to learn more about CAFOD's work. Prayer will be led by **Archbishop Bernard**. Guest speaker **Teamrat Belai**, Country Director for CST Ethiopia, will share insights into the challenges facing communities in Ethiopia and the impact of CAFOD's work. Email birmingham@cafod.org.uk for more information. We look forward to seeing you.

