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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A, 8th November 2026

Father Dominic writes. '**The Bridegroom is here!** We await the second coming of Christ just as the ten bridesmaids waited for the bridegroom. We must be awake and patient at all times so we are always ready when the shout goes up 'He is here'. We have no need to worry about those who have died before us as they too will rise from the dead with Christ in glory.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Dear Parishioners, Fr Prem, Deacon Kevin and I ask our merciful God that He may "graciously keep us from all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours" (Collect of Mass)

Please pray for Saoirse Davies who is to be baptised into the family of the Church this weekend. The next baptismal preparation will take place on Wednesday, 2nd December 7.30 -9.00 pm all are welcome.

The annual deanery Mass for the deceased clergy of the deanery will take place on Tuesday 10th November at St Ambrose Barlow Church, Lakey Lane, Hall Green at 12.00 midday. Bishop David Evans is the leading celebrant. All are welcome. Please note that Tuesday morning mass here at St Augustine's will take place at 9.30am.

After the 11am Mass this Sunday there will be a meeting of the parishioners of the Parish Pastoral council. Please note that there will be an additional Mass on Wednesday at 6.30pm.

My installation as an Honorary Canon will take place at St Chad's Cathedral on Tuesday, 8th December at 12.00 midday. You are very welcome to attend and if you wish to do so please sign the form in the main Parish porch. I realise that it is a busy time for you and so after the weekend Masses on 12th/13th December I invite you to celebrate with me in the Parish Hall, with some light refreshments.

Next weekend 14th/15th November we have our annual Mission Appeal, made by the Holy Family Sisters of the Needy. Thank you for your continued generous support of our second collections, including last week's for the Clergy Johnson Association.

A STROKE CLUB AT THE FRIARY – takes place every Wednesday between 10;00am – 12.00 midday, or 1.00pm for those who want to stay for lunch. New volunteers would be welcome to help the club continue to function. There are a number of activities provided on Wednesdays. Help is urgently needed if this important facility is to continue. If interested in helping please contact Terry Lloyd – the chair of the Stroke Club on 07890479686

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.

Learning about the faith - At the next meeting, **the 19th November, 9.15-10.15 in the Parish Hall,** we shall study the introduction to the sacraments. In the catechism of the church the Part 2: Section1: The Sacramental Economy Ch 1- Paschal Mystery in the Age of the Church, Article 1. The Liturgy – Work of the Holy Trinity, Article 2. The Paschal Mystery in the Church's Sacraments, Ch 2 The Sacramental Celebration of the Paschal Mystery, Article 1 Celebrating the Church's Liturgy, Article 2 Liturgical Diversity and the unity of the mystery. This covers catechism nos. 1066 – 1209. You can find the catechism of the catholic church if you are accessing the newsletter online **click here** otherwise search on the internet for the **Vatican website** (not any other) giving the catechism of the Catholic Church.

Novena of Masses will take place during the month of November for the Holy Souls. Lists and envelopes are available in both porches for you to write the names of those for whom you wish to include in the Novena of Masses.

Gift Aid £235 (A special thanks to those who Gift Aid their donation, allowing us to claim an additional £58.92) loose £1,005:40 Total £1,240:40 Second collection last weekend Johnson Association. £832:06

St Augustine's Christmas Fayre- Saturday 28th November 1.30pm-4pm. Good food, Christmas stalls, raffle, Tombola, Bottle stall and cakes. Items needed: Tombola prizes, bottles, gifts, cakes and raffle prizes. **No bric-a-brac.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Lali Ratnaraja	Angela Keating	Mary Cassidy	Rosemary Knowles	Phillip O'Neill	Stephanie Withers
Briege Williams	Jonathan Williams	Father Pat Sayles	Maureen Hughes	Kitty Gardener	Julie Hickey
Patrick Mitchell	Catherine Bird	Helen Kirk	Edward O'Prey	Sam Teall	
Edward Martin	Jess Stanton	Daniel Meadows	Delia Gaughan	Pauline O'Kane	

READERS		**EUCHARISTIC MINISTER**	**EUCHARISTIC MINISTER**
Sat 7th Nov	12.30pm Bernard	Saturday 12.30pm 7th November	Sunday 8th November 9am
Sat 14th Nov	12.30pm J Sharpe	A Kelly/J Wong	J Powers/M Coburn
Sunday 8th Nov	9am C Barbour		Sunday 8th November 11am A Kelly
Sunday 8th Nov	11am C Hodrien	Saturday 12.30pm 14th November	
Sunday 15th Nov	9am M Pearsall	R Wong/Ginny	Sunday 15th November 9am
Sunday 15th Nov	11am Cecilia		J Sica/G Sica
			Sunday 15th Nov 11am B Ngala

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

Olive wood and Christmas Card sale this weekend : Nov 7/8 Christians are still struggling in the Holy Land. Your prayerful support would be much appreciated, whether through prayer, a purchase, the bucket collection or online donation that would be great. God bless.

INTER FAITH WEEK- 8th November-14th November. 11th November walk from 11am to 1.30pm; meeting at the Central Masjid on the Old Warwick Road, calling at St Alphege, Church of the Latter-Day Saints and St Augustine's. Refreshments at the Civic Suite.

14th November 6.45pm Interfaith Concert at Shirley Methodist Church. Pam and Gwendolyn will be taking part, so support from the Parish would be very much appreciated. Free parking behind Iceland Supermarket.

Meditation Group- Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Parish meeting Room Mondays 1pm. 16th, 30th November, 14th December. 2027 11th, 25th January, 8th, 22nd February, 8th March. 5th, 19th April, 3rd, 17th, 31st May. 14th 28th June, 12th July. 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 minds off ourselves & we wee people as God sees them. Do come along and see for yourself.

A series of Advent talks on Pope Leo's recent encyclical will take place on the first 3 Thursdays of Advent, beginning on Thursday 3rd December, between 7pm-8pm. Father Prem will be leading us on these reflections and you are warmly invited. Free car parking has been requested in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park for the duration of these Talks. Please see posters in Church for further details.

Advance Notices

- a meeting for the parents of our First Holy Communion Children on Thursday 26th November 7.30-9.00pm in the parish hall. Free carparking has been requested at the Dominion Carpark, Herbert Road.
- The Blessing of the Crib will take place on Sunday the 29th November at 3pm in Mell Square (opposite the Boots pharmacy.

7th November Saturday **St Willibrord**	**Wisdom 6:12-16 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18** **Matthew 25:1-13** **Public & Live streamed Mass** **12.30pm** Mary & Philip Crossley-RIP Angela Keating-Birthday Philomena Gallagher-Intention	**Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm** **Confessions 11am-12.00pm** **Refreshments after Mass**
8th November **Remembrance Sunday** **32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  	**Wisdom 6:12-16 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18** **Matthew 25:1-13** **Public & Live streamed Masses** **9.00am** Anne Rushe-RIP All People of the Parish **11.00am** Moya & Nicholas Halligan-RIP For the Fallen in all Wars	**Tea/Coffee available after both Masses.** **Parish Council Meeting after 11.00am Mass**
9th November Monday **FEAST** **Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**	**Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12 OR 1 Corinthians 3:9-11,16-17 John 2:13-22** **Public and Live streamed Mass** **9.30am** Holy Souls Novena All People of the Parish	
10th November Tuesday **St Leo the Great**	**Titus 2:1-8,11-14 Luke 17:7-10** **Public & Live streamed Mass** **10.00am** Michael Curran-RIP Holy Souls Novena	**Toddlers' Group 9.30-11.30am in the parish hall.**
11th November Wednesday **St Martin of Tours**	**Titus 3:1-7 Luke 17:11-19** **Public & Live streamed Mass** 12.00pm Requiem Po Kee Amory Augustine Wong **6.30pm** Joyce Mary Bennison-RIP	**Confessions 11.15-11.45am** 'Lectio Divina' - this week. **Email for the link:** staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
12th November Thursday **St Josaphat**	**Philemon 7-20 Luke 17:20-25** **Public & Live streamed Mass** **12.00pm** Sue Matthews & Jacqueline Sheen Mary Gately-RIP	**Prayer Meeting 7.00-8.00pm**
13th November Friday **Feria in Ordinary Time**	**2 John 4-9 Luke 17:26-37** **Public & Live streamed Mass** **6.30pm** Kathleen & Dominic Barnett Special Intention	**Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm-followed by Mass 6.30pm**
14th November Saturday **Feria in Ordinary Time**	**Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31** **1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 Matthew 25:14-30.** **Public & Live streamed Mass** **12.30pm** Rita Fitzgerald-RIP Terry Allen-Intention	**Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm** **Confession 11am-12.00pm** **Tea/Coffee available after Mass**
15th November **33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time** **World Day of the Poor**	**Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31** **1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 Matthew 25:14-30.** **Public & Live streamed Masses** **9.00am** Bill Carthy-RIP All People of the Paris **11.00am** Libby Service-Intention Father Michael White-Intention	**Tea /Coffee available after both Masses**

Prayer for Remembrance Day

For those who were killed in battle, For those who gave up their lives to save others

For those who fought because they were forced to,

For those who died standing up for a just cause For those who said war was wrong,

For those who tried to make the peace For those who prayed when others had no time to pray



For those creatures who needlessly died

For those trees that needlessly are slaughtered For all of mankind *let us quietly pray:*

May God hold them in peace

May Love flow over the Earth and cleanse us all. This day and for always.



Pray for: Father Christopher Fitzpatrick, Christopher Jeffrey Pedley, Catherine Philomena Kenny, William Charles Moore, Patricia Ann Sheasby, Tom O'Callaghan, Anne Cooper, Bridie Withers, Dorothy Reynard (Service Robin Hood 9th November 12.30pm), Bridie McNamara, Malcolm Johnston, Frances Tickner, Mary Bernadette Bennett, Karen Beale San Fransico (Requiem 1st December 12pm), Po Kee Amory Augustine Wong (Requiem November 11th 12pm; Reception 10th November 6pm, Eileen Perkins (Requiem 4th December 11am; Reception 3rd December 6pm.) who died recently.
Also, Terence Duddy, John Gerard Brosnan(Jack),Kathleen Josephine McCabe, John Donnelly, Kathleen Doreen Lucas, Philomena Archbold, Irene Mary Sutton, Gretta Welch, Gerard Owen Courtney, Joan Lowe, Mark Adrian Holder, Mary Rose Allen, Hilda O'Rourke, John Hardeman, Mt Okolia, Malachy Brian Mc Burney, Kiera Alexis Devine, Patrick Gabriel Quinn, Joyce Eileen Mary Canavan 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 if you have any concerns.

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

We warmly invite all pupils considering their post-16 studies to join us on Thursday 12th November 6pm for St Peter's Catholic School's Sixth Form Open Evening. Please see the poster for more information