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

Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King Yr A, 22nd November 2026

Father Dominic writes. 'Christ the King! God looks after his sheep through Jesus Christ His shepherd and king. Christ is anointed King of the universe by His Father. We will be judged by our actions and finally Christ will present us to his Father. We must live our lives for our King so that we may enter with him into glory.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)
Dear Parishioners, Father Prem, Deacon Kevin and I join in wishing you a very blessed Solemnity of Christ the King and we give thanks for the presence of our young Parishioners as we celebrate National Youth Sunday. The theme for this year is: 'Take Courage! I have overcome the world.'
We welcome our Year 5 pupils of St Augustine's School to the 9am Mass this Sunday morning, along with their Parents and families.
The next baptismal preparation will take place on Wednesday, 2nd December 7.30 -9.00 pm all are welcome.
Saint John Henry Newman Catholic Secondary School in Chelmsley Wood are advertising for a new Head teacher.
This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King and National Youth Sunday. The Kenelm Youth Trust is the Youth Service for the Archdiocese of Birmingham. There will be a second collection to support the work of the Kenelm Youth Trust. For information and for a list of events planned in the coming months please visit:
www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk
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. A coach has been organised to leave Saint Augustine's Church at 10.45am and will leave Saint Chad's Cathedral at 3. 15pm.If you wish to travel on the coach, please write "Coach" next to your name on the list in the main 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.
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.
Catechism with Fr Prem-At the next meeting, **the 03rd December, 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: The Celebration of the Christian Mystery, Section2: The Seven Sacraments of the Church, Ch 1- The Sacraments of Christian Initiation, Article 1. The Sacrament of Baptism, Article 2. The Sacrament of Confirmation, & Article 3 The Sacrament of the Eucharist. This covers catechism nos. 1210 - 1419. 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.
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Our two Safeguarding representatives will be present at the weekend Masses to introduce themselves. (Amanda Felton and Veronica Walsh.)
Please note Mass on Tuesday will begin at 9.30am.
We have received a welcome note of thanks from the Holy Family Sisters of the Needy and Sister Chinedum, for your generous support of the Missions appeal last weekend.
Please pray for our First Holy Communion candidates, who will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday 3rd December at 4.15pm in Church. We have free parking from 4.00pm onwards.

Gift Aid £172:80(A special thanks to those who Gift Aid their donation, allowing us to claim an additional £43:20) loose £981:12 Total £1,152:92 Second collection last weekend: -Holy Family Sisters of the Needy.£991:37

This weekend 2nd Collection for Catholic Youth Service.

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 21st Nov 12.30pm T Cund Sat 28th Nov 12.30pm J Sharpe Sunday 22nd Nov 9am School Yr 5 Sunday 22nd Nov 11am M Watts Sunday 29th Nov 9am T Choi Sunday 29th Nov 11am T Washbrooke	21st November 12.30pm R & J Wong 28th November 12.30pm A Kelly/ Ginny	Sunday 22nd November 9am M Hallissey/J Powers Sunday 22nd Nov 11am J Hickey Sunday 29th November 9am M Coburn/J Sica Sunday 29thvv Nov 11am P Davis

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

A meeting for the parents of our First Holy Communion Children on Thursday 26th November 7.30-9.00pm in the parish hall. Free car parking has been requested at the lower level Dominion Car park, Herbert Road.

The Blessing of the Crib will take place on Sunday the 29th November at 3pm in Mell Square-Boots Pharmacy

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.

Meditation Group- Sacred Heart & Holy Souls Parish meeting Room Mondays 1pm. 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.

Solihull Churches Action on Homelessness, SCAH, November annual Fundraising appeal! Contributions can be made on line at www.scah.org.uk or at Sunday Masses of 6 December. See posters available in both porches.

Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation specialising in relationship support. We are looking for volunteer Supervisors to provide supervision and mentoring to our relationship counsellors who support couples experiencing relationship distress. For this role you would need to be professionally qualified and experienced in counselling supervision, and also be a qualified experienced relationship counsellor. For full information please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

21st November Saturday **Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**	**Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17** **1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28 Matthew 25:31-46** **Public & Live streamed Mass** **12.30pm** Robert Kells-RIP Holy Souls Novena	**Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm** **Confessions 11am-12.00pm** **Refreshments after Mass**
22nd November **SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE** ***Natural Youth Sunday***	**Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17** **1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28 Matthew 25:31-46** **Public & Live streamed Masses** **9.00am** Ashley Michael Power-RIP All People of the Parish **11.00am** Helen Frances McDermott-RIP Paddy & Elizabeth Shields & Family-RIP	**Tea/Coffee available after both Masses.**
23rd November Monday **Feria in Ordinary Time** **St Clement 1/ St Columban**	**Revelation 1:1-4,2:1-5 Luke 18:35-43** **Public and Live streamed Mass** **9.30am** Annette Kelly-Birthday Holy Souls Novena	
24th November Tuesday **St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & Companions**	**Revelation 3:1-6,14-22 Luke 19:1-10** **Public & Live streamed Mass** **9.30am** Tom O' Callaghan-RIP Margaret Mary (Greta) Byrne-RIP	**Toddlers' Group 9.30-11.30am in the parish hall.**
25th November Wednesday **Feria in Ordinary Time** **St Catherine of Alexandria**	**Revelation 4:1-11 Luke 19:11-28** **Public & Live streamed Mass** 12.00pm Requiem Dorothy Reynard	**Confessions 11.15-11.45am** 'Lectio Divina' - this week. **Email for the link:** staugustine.solihull@rcaob.org.uk
26th November Thursday **Feria in Ordinary Time**	**Revelation 5:1-10 Luke 19:41-44** **Public & Live streamed Mass** **12.00pm** CWL Deceased Members Bridget (Geraldine) Beirne-Intention	**Prayer Meeting 7.00-8.00pm**
27th November Friday **Feria in Ordinary Time**	**Revelation 10:8-11 Luke 19:45-48** **Public & Live streamed Mass** **6.30pm** Holy Souls Novena Joseph & Anne Marshall-RIP	**Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm-followed by Mass 6.30pm**
28th November Saturday	**12.30pm** Holy Souls John Ownsworth-RIP	**Holy Hour 11am-12.00pm** **Confession 11am-12.00pm** **Christmas Fayre 1.30pm-4.00pm**
29th November **First Sunday of Advent**	**9.00am** Kathryn Oakley-RIP **11.00am** All People of the Parish Mary Bernadette Bennett-RIP	**Continuation of Christmas Fayre after each Mass** **Blessing of the Crib** **Mell Square 3pm**

World Youth Day Sunday 22nd November 2026

Message of the Holy Father: 'take Courage! I have overcome the world.' John 16:33

Dear Young People,

I wish to reach out to each of you with this message and above all, to give thanks to God for the gift that you are to the Church and Society. He knows you, loves and accompanies you on your journey through life. His spirit inspires in all of you – different as you are and spread throughout the world- the same desire to love and to be loved, as well as the hope that the Holy Spirit awakens in your hearts- a hope that can also become a light for others. For all of this, I give thanks to the lord.

Dear Jesus, thank you for the gift of being young. Help us to live with joy, courage and faith as we follow Your example. Guide us to be lights in the world, spreading Your love to those around us. Teach us to use our talents and voices to build a world of peace, kindness and justice. Fil our hearts with hope, so that we may trust in Your plans for our lives. May we always seek to grow closer to You and be leaders of love in our communities. Amen.

Pray for: Anthony Thomas Richard (24th November 11am; Robin Hood Crematorium), Stephanie Taylor, Christopher Jeffrey Pedley, Catherine Philomena Kenny, William Charles Moore, Patricia Ann Sheasby, Tom O'Callaghan, Anne Cooper, Bridie Withers, Dorothy Reynard , Bridie McNamara, Malcolm Johnston, Frances Tickner, Mary Bernadette Bennett, Karen Beale San Fransico (Requiem 1st December 12pm), Po Kee Amory Augustine Wong, Gladys Dorothy Duffy (Requiem 3rd December 10.45am), Eileen Perkins (Requiem 4th December 11am; Reception 3rd December 6pm.) Maureen Siobhan Spears (12pm Robin Hood, 27th November); Christopher Flynn (Friday 11th December 10am) who died recently.
Also, Helen Frances McDermott, John McCallum, John Dodman, Eugene Joseph McCormack, Colleen Taylor, Mary Rita Johnston, Bridie Cronin, Valda Mae Carr, William Pritchard, Phyllis (Doll) Williams, Robert Park, Mary Cecilia McKenna, Michael Edward Connolly, Florence Ann Moloney, Sean Breakwell, Theresa Mary Doherty, Maria Arlete Ferreira Gomes Rodrigues, Alan Leslie Bibby, Charlie Jones and all with anniversaries at this time.
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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.

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.

SVP CHRISTMAS 'FRIENDS IN NEED APPEAL' Please could you help with the following items for individuals & families? They need: UHT Milk, UHT Fruit juice, Coffee, Tea, Cereals, Soup, Tinned meals and UHT meals, Tinned fruit & Veg, Rice (including sachets), Pot noodle, Christmas biscuits, Chocolates, Children's selection boxes, Biscuits for Cheese, Christmas Pudding, Custard, Crisps, Toiletries. No 'fresh' or perishable items. Please bring to church porches. Libby: 07568 508271 Thank you.