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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord 9th January 2022

Dear Parishioners,

'You are my Son the beloved. The Holy Spirit of God came down upon Jesus, the beloved Son of God at His baptism in the Jordan. The Spirit comes down on each one of us and helps us to live our Christian lives so that we are faithful to our Baptism.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: 'Dear Parishioners, Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I, hope that as the new year unfolds, we will each discover more and more the joy of being God's beloved Children, on whom His favour rests. Our Baptism was the starting point for this relationship with God.

We welcome into the family of the Church Tiana Lewis-Allagoa who is to be baptised this Sunday.

As we continue our 'Walking Together' along the Synodal pathway we would like you to reflect on the questions taken from the handbook and which we have printed in the Newsletter. Please discuss these questions with family members and perhaps with your wider contacts. Please note that the Parish Meetings to discuss the questions in the Handbook will now take place on Tuesday 18th and Tuesday 25th January at 7.30pm. The Meetings will be by zoom. If you would like to take part, and we would encourage you to do so, please register your interest with the Church wardens or by telephoning or emailing the Presbytery. We will need your name and email address in order to send you the link for the Meetings.

We wish our Pupils, Parents and Teachers God's special blessings for the start of the Spring Term.

Whilst the Omicron variant remains so infectious, we will delay the additional times of opening the Church for private prayer. However, do please consider volunteering so that when the time is right we will be able to provide more opportunity for private prayer in Church.

We would like to re-establish the rotas for Readers and Special Ministers of Holy Communion at the Sunday Masses. Would those of you already involved in these Ministries please indicate your availability for the Sunday Masses (including the 12.30pm on Saturday) Also, if any Parishioner is interested in either of these Ministries please let Father Dominic know.

On Sunday 23rd January Year 6 and other young Parishioners will be enrolled as PTO

<p>8th January Saturday</p>	<p>Isaiah 32:1-4,6-7 Acts 10:34-38 Luke 3:15-16,21-22 OR Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11 Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7 Luke 3:15-16, 21-22 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Dorothy Hall & Jackie Lemmon-RIP Paddy, Kitty Purcell & Family- Intentions</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 11.45am-12.30pm Mass Confession 11.45am-12.15pm</p>
<p>9th January FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD</p>	<p>Isaiah 32:1-4,6-7 Acts 10:34-38 Luke 3:15-16,21-22 Public and Live streamed Masses 9am All people of the Parish 11.00am Mrs Grace Morucore-RIP</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 10.30am Confessions 10.30am-10.45am</p>
<p>10th January Monday Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>1 Samuel 1:1-8 Mark 1:14-20 Public and Live streamed Mass 10.00am Evelyn Aylward-Intention</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer After 10am Mass until 11.30am</p>
<p>11th January Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>1 Samuel 1:9-20 Mark 1:21-28 10.00am Public and Live streamed Mass Ann Hans & Family Carel Schilder-RIP</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer After 10am Mass until 11.30</p>
<p>12th January Wednesday Feria in Ordinary Time <i>St Aelred of Rievaulx</i></p>	<p>1 Samuel 3:1-10 Mark 1:29-39 Public & Live streamed Mass 11.30am Brandon Parker-Intention John Rice-RIP</p>	<p>Private Prayer & Confession 10.45am-11.15am</p>
<p>13th January Thursday Feria in Ordinary Time <i>St Hilary</i></p>	<p>1 Samuel 4:1-11 Mark 1:40-45 10.00am Public and Live streamed Masses Joe McClean & Family-Intentions Caroline Gardner-RIP</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer After 10am Mass until 11.30am</p>
<p>14th January Friday Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>1 Samuel 8:4-7,10-22 Mark 2:1-12 Public and Live streamed Masses 6.30pm Stephen Troth-RIP Joan Brosnan-Intention</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm Church open for Private Prayer 5.15pm-6.15pm & up until 6.30pm Mass</p>
<p>15th January Saturday Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Isaiah 62:1-5 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 John 2:1-11 Public and Live streamed Mass 12.30pm Therese & Sean McMahan-RIP Anne Maguire-Birthday</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 11.45am-12.30pm Mass Confession 11.45am-12.15pm</p>
<p>16th January Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Peace Day</p>	<p>Isaiah 62:1-5 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 John 2:1-11 Public and Live streamed Masses 9.00am Annie Fuller-Intentions 11.00am Lino Mariotto-RIP</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 10.30am</p>

Candidates for Confirmation at the 9am Mass. May we ask those of you who regularly attend this Mass to consider attending one of the other Sunday Masses just for this particular Sunday. We bid farewell to members of the Parish who have recently left to move closer to their families- Cyril Honeybull, Anne & Giuseppe Monaco, and Annie Fuller who will be leaving the Parish shortly. We assure them of our continued prayers and good wishes and thank them for all they have given to the Parish and to us.

Thank you for your most generous support of the St Vincent de Paul's appeal for various items to provide for families and individuals in need. You have shown your love in action and this is really appreciated.

ENCOUNTER DAY- A day of pray, reflection and discipleship to discover how you and your parish can use Cursillos as a tool for renewal and ministering co-responsibly. Saturday 22nd January 2022. 10.30am-2.30pm Lunch provided. St Mary The Mount Parish Centre Walsall WS1 3NX access from Glebe Street- use lower car park beyond the Church. To book email:

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Thank you to all who have taken part in Lectio Divina each Wednesday evening. Special thanks to Helen Brookes for enabling the Meetings. The Meetings will recommence on Wednesday 12th January

Walking Together Questions

The Life of the Church 1. In what ways does the Catholic Church enhance your life?

Participation: Liturgy & Worship 2. How do you believe your presence at Mass makes a difference?

Mission. Social Outreach. Evangelisation. 3. How does your experience of parish life allow you to reflect, develop, act on and speak about your faith?

Divine Mercy Prayer Group. 7pm on Monday evenings at Our Lady of the Wayside, Shirley in the St Aidan's Chapel. All welcome.

Offertory Collection December 26th: Gift Aid:£105 Loose:£2,600 Total £2705 Second collection next weekend Pax Christi

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish,	Tony Duffy	Fr Fred Sheldon	Mary Ryan	William Moran
Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Esther Brasil	Anne Deary
Trevor Windle	Danny Meadows	John Doyle	Dan Doyle	Kevin McDaid	Sue Hodrien
Patricia Mann	Paul Mann	Cornelius Callanan	John Kavanagh	Damian Poole	John White
Diane Burgess	Kathleen Clark	Kathryn Farmer	Sandra Evans	Roisin Brown	Gillian Jones
James Brown	John McCarthy	Kath Reidy	Noreen O'Connor	Mary Johnson	Joanne Moss
Christopher Edmund Poole		for protection and	peace in the Mbag Family	Eve	Steve Bates
Nicole Plummer	Pat Brogan	Amanda Stellfox	Thelma Cole	Molly Saunders	Catherine Walton
Roger Cox	Frank Miller	Philip Saunders			

CAFOD ANNUAL REPORT

WHAT CAFOD RAISED AND WHAT IT WENT TOWARDS

INCOME £52.4M EXPENDITURE £48.9M

MONEY RAISED

£36.4m- Donations and Legacies
£0.6m- Disasters Emergency Committee
£5.2m- Caritas & Other
£10.1m- Government & Institutions
£0.1m- Other income

EXPENDITURE

£25.5m- International Development
£13.7m- Emergencies
£2.1m- Advocacy & Campaigning
£5.8m- raising funds

CAFOD raised £52.4m in 2020/2021, £36.4m of that came from donations from the Catholic Community in England and Wales. Fast day fundraising, emergency donations, candlelight funds and legacies made up 69% of CAFOD's total income.

£48.9m was spent; £43.1m (88%) helping to pay for international development, emergency responses, education and campaigning.

St Augustine's Church collected: £6,874.30 in 2020 and £7,922.59 in 2021. This does not include donations made by Parishioners directly to CAFOD

Lord you promised that those who gave as much
As a cup of cold water to those
In need would not lose
Their reward.

As we think of the deprived in the world,
Help us to open our hearts
To your call to share with them.

Lord, may we be generous to others
As you are generous
In your mercy to us.

Share with the poor... and you will have blessings,
because they cannot repay you. (Luke 14:14)

Please pray for: Keith Burgess, Mr Brian Jones, Eileen Kelly, George Bicknell, (Funeral Wednesday 2nd February, 11.15am) and Freda Warren who died recently.

Also, John Murphy, Bernard Shenlock, Lily Park, Thomas Kennedy, Joan Applin, Margaret Priestley, Elizabeth Dickinson, Brenda Meixner, Cary Paul Charlton, Dorothy Roberts, Antonie Elviri, Baby Johnny Reegea Connors, Martin Yeates, Stephen Garry Troth and all with anniversaries at this time

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