

**SAINT AUGUSTINE
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Fr Dominic Kavanagh Father Joseph Narikuzhi Deacon Kevin O'Connor

6th Sunday of Easter YEAR B 9th May 2021

**Dear Parishioners,
'God is love.**

True love is from God. The Holy Spirit comes not only to us but to many outside the visible Church. In these people we too praise the wonderful saving power of God. We prove we are Christians by our generous love which we show to one another and to all people irrespective of race, colour or creed.'(Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: 'Dear Parishioners, Father Joseph, Deacon Kevin and I, join you in offering our prayerful congratulations to our First Holy Communion children of St Augustine's. year 3 and to their parents and families, as they celebrate their First Holy Communion this Saturday, May 8th. After each Mass, items of piety will be available in the Parish Hall. We ask your prayers too for our young Parishioners being prepared for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion by Miss Libby Service and for candidates for Confirmation who will be Confirmed by Bishop David Evans on Wednesday 16th June- the two Masses will take place at 4pm and 6.30pm

This Thursday, May 13th, is the Solemnity of the Ascension and Mass will be celebrated at 10am and 7pm. For the 7pm Mass we have requested free car parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park

Christian Aid Week (10th-16th May) will be with us shortly. There will not be the usual house collections nor the usual Coffee Morning. However, you are welcome to contribute on line by visiting the Parish website or by going directly to the Christian Aid website www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals For those unable to donate online we will have a voluntary collection next weekend.

There will be a sale of a limited number of strawberry and runner bean plants. If interested please contact donald.ker1950@gmail.com Our thanks to Mary Clark for representing our Parish with the Christian Aid Committee.

Thank you for your generous support of CAFOD's appeal for the people of India, which is being distributed through their partners-Caritas India.

Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Catholic Communications Centre on Communications Sunday. The theme is 'Come and See' (John 1:46) which echoes the words of the Apostle Philip, recognising that authentic communication leads to 'encountering people as and where they are.' On this day, we are encouraged to pray for all those professionals who work in communications and particularly for those who are responsible for communicating on behalf of the Catholic Church in this country. The Archdiocese of Birmingham has a dedicated communications team- Caroline Blesto and Faye Fawcett overseen by Gerry Dryden, who are on hand to deal with all communication matters. They may be contacted on 0121 230 0286 or via communications@rcaob.org.uk

<p>8th May Saturday Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 16:1-10 John 15:18-21 9.30am Live streamed Mass Liam O'Brien-Intention Holy Communion Children & their Parents 12.30pm Tom Bourke-RIP Holy Communion Children & their Parents</p>	
<p>9th May SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</p>	<p>Acts 10:25-26, 34-35,44-48 1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17 9.00am Public & Live streamed Mass All People of the Parish Muriel & Seamus Gavney-Intention 11.30am Public & Live streamed Mass Ben & Susan McKiernan-RIP Joan & Dan Doyle-Intention</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 11.00am-11.30am Confession 10.45am-11.15am</p>
<p>10th May Monday Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 16:11-15 John 15:26-16:4 10.00am Live streamed Mass Lali & Family-Intentions Tony Yearsley-RIP</p>	
<p>11th May Tuesday Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 16:22-34 John 16:5-11 10.00am Live streamed Mass Tom & Joan Kennedy-RIP Father Fred Sheldon-Intention</p>	
<p>12th May Easter Feria Wednesday Ss Nereus & Achilleus St Pancras</p>	<p>Acts 17:15,22-18:-1 John 16:12-15 11.30am Public & Live streamed Mass Ann McNally & Family –Intentions John McLoughlin-RIP</p>	<p>Private Prayer & Confession 10.45am-11.15am Lectio Divina' at 7.30pm To join in the Meeting please email Helen Brookes who will forward you the link to join the Meeting. Helen's email: ehb73@yahoo.co.uk</p>
<p>13th May Thursday SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</p>	<p>Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 1:17-23 OR Ephesians 4:1-13 Mark 16:15-20 10.00am Public &Live streamed Mass John O'Sullivan-RIP aged 37 years Joan Brosnan-Intention Public & Live Streamed Mass 7.00pm Patrick Ryan –RIP & Mary Ryan- Intent Phil Haran-RIP</p>	
<p>14th May Friday FEAST St Matthias</p>	<p>Acts 1:15-17,20-6 John 15:9-17 10am Live streamed Mass Irene Quighley-RIP Bridie Sullivan-</p>	<p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm</p>
<p>15th May Saturday Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 18:23-28 John 16:23-28 10.00am Public & Live streamed Mass Kathy Francis & Family John & Sally Morahan& Family</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 9.30am Confession after 10am Mass</p>
<p>16th May Seventh Sunday of Easter World Communications Day</p>	<p>Acts 1:15-17,20-26 1 John 4:11-16 John 17:11-19 9.00am Public & Live streamed Mass All People of the Parish Tony Imbimbo 11.30am Public & Live streamed Mass Carberry Family-Intentions Cath Clark-Intentions</p>	<p>Church open for Private Prayer 11.00am-11.30am Confession 10.45am-11.15am</p>

PENTECOST NOVENA-begins on Ascension Thursday 13th May to Pentecost Sunday. There are excellent resources which may be used for the Novena on www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Voluntary Collection this weekend: Christian Aid. 2nd Collection next weekend : Catholic Communications
The new boxes of Offertory envelopes are available for you in the main porch. As everyone has a new number to their envelopes, it is essential that the new envelopes are used. Please dispose of any old envelopes. Please do remember to collect them. **If any Parishioner** would like to use Offertory envelopes or to take out a standing order, please speak with Father Dominic or email the Parish Secretary (F.A.O. Miss Bernadette O'Donnell).

Act now and stop disability abortion up to birth in NI Earlier this year the Northern Ireland Assembly voted on the Severe Fetal Impairment Abortion (Amendment) Bill and it passed Second Stage by 48 votes to 12. The Northern Ireland Health Committee is now undertaking a consultation on the Bill and is seeking submissions from the public. It is important that as many people as possible submit to the consultation in support of the Bill to clearly show that there is widespread support for this important change. Right To Life UK has set up an easy-to-use tool on their website that makes it simple to complete your submission. You can do so by following the link below. It only takes 30 seconds!
www.righttolife.org.uk/nidisabilityconsultation

MARRIAGE MATTERS www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk Sixth Sunday of Easter (Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 John 4:7-10 15:9-17) Called to reflect God's love "Love one another as I have loved you". With these words, Jesus spells out God's plan for marriage. As husband and wife, we are called each day to give our lives to each other as completely as we are able. From today let us decide to reflect this 'sign' of God's love to our children, our family and our friends.

St Augustine's Catholic Primary School Is your child due to start Nursery (born Sept 2017 – August 2018) or Reception (born Sept 2016 – August 2017) this September? St Augustine's Catholic Primary School has places available in both their Nursery and Reception class for September 2021. Please contact the school directly on 0121 705 4355 or 85office@st-augustines.solihull.sch.uk for more information or to register your interest.

The Bishops' Conference, has called for a universal daily prayer to be offered for the end of the Covid-19 Pandemic during the month of May and that each day during the month will focus upon one of the international Marian Shrines. We have been asked to pray each day for a different shrine across the world and different intentions. This week schedule is: **9th May** Holy house of Loreto (Italia) For all seniors. **10th May** Our Lady of Knock (Ireland) For all people with disabilities. **11th May** Virgin of the Poor (Belgium) For all the poor, the homeless, and the economically distressed. **12th May** Our Lady of Africa (Algeria) For all people who live alone and those who have lost hope. **13th May** Blessed Virgen del Rosario (Portugal) For all prisoners. **14th May** Our Lady of Health (India) For all scientists and medical research institutions. **15th May** Our Lady Queen of Peace (Bosnia) For all migrants

To keep up-to-date with all the latest news, information and online events from across the Archdiocese and beyond please sign up to the newsletter, issued every few weeks via email. Please visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/e-news to sign up.

ST AUGUSTINE'S SVP 'FRIENDS IN NEED' Do you know someone who needs the support of a phone call? Or a person or family going through hardship? Or perhaps you feel you could donate non- perishable food, drinks or toiletry items for people in need during these times? If so, please don't hesitate to phone or text the SVP on: 07568 508271.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Keith Frettsome	Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish,	Tony Duffy	Martha Sheridan	Fr Fred
Sheldon	Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Esther Brasil	Ken Bolton
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	Malachy Hanly	Sandra Evans	Roisin Brown
Margaret Lennon	James Brown	John McCarthy	Kath Reidy	Deacon Kevin O'Connor	Eve
Christopher Edmund Poole	for protection and peace in the Mbag Family			Peggy Lundy	
Nicole Plummer	Greta & Bucks Moran	Keith Richie	Pat Brogan	Amanda Stellfox	Thelma Cole
Mary Johnson	Anne Deary	Jane Tibbs	Joan Lynch	William Moran	Kay Szpakowski



Lord God, we commend our children to you. We place them in your care and protection, hoping that they will grow day by day in love for you. May they lead a good life and bring comfort to you who are their Creator. Consider, Lord the world, in which they will pass their lives, its corruption and false allure. Be on watch, dear Lord, to help and defend them. Lead them to the practice of virtue and the observance of your commandments. Make our lives holy also so that we may be an influential pattern for them. We ask of you, from the bottom of our hearts, your blessing on our children. We dedicate them to you, Lord; protect them as one protects the apple of his eye. Keep them in the shadow of your wings. Arrange it so that we and they may come together in heaven and praise you, most loving Father, for you have taken care of our whole family. Amen.

Please pray for: Mary Agnes Elliott (Requiem Friday 28th May, 11am) and Joan Lynch who died recently.

Also Gloria Cox, Percy Plant, Kenneth Walter Walton, Daniel Lynch, Frederick Leslie Burt, Mary Walton, Leslie Docker, Jocelyn Clare Hawker, Sheila Ann Callaghan, Margaret Danks, Annie & Robert Danks, Francis McKeown, Kathleen Veronica (Vera) Manton, Joseph Cassidy, Josephine Walker, Jennifer Doyle, Andrew Henry Robert Browne, Kathleen May Hemming, James Joseph Owens and Mary Mitchell and all with anniversaries at this time.

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