

**SAINT AUGUSTINE  
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CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**Fr Dominic Kavanagh    Fr Paul Devaney    Deacon Kevin O'Connor**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Year C Sunday 9th December 2018**

**Dear Parishioners,**

'Christ is the joy we await. God will bring to completion the work He has begun in us. Our love for one another will help us to be blameless when Christ will come again. Our lives on earth are a preparation for the day when the Lord comes and so we should be full of joy and expectancy.' (Pope saint John Sunday Missal.)

**Please pray for Alyssia Quinn** who is to be baptised into the family of the Church this Sunday. **The next two baptismal** preparation evenings will take place on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 8pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

**Please note that** Mass on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December will begin at 9.30am.

**You are welcome to** come along to the Hall on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm when Father Dominic will show a DVD containing some of the highlights of his holiday in China.

**We welcome Saint Peter's Sixth Form** to the 10am Mass on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December. It is their annual Advent Mass before they break up for the school holidays.

**Penance Service Monday** 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm.



**There will be a whole School Mass** at St Augustine's Primary School on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2.15pm.

**You are welcome** to the Nativity Play performed by the older children of St Augustine's here in Church on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm.

**A specially prepared Newsletter/Pamphlet** has been prepared detailing all the times of the Christmas Services. Please collect one from either porch.

**Diocesan Directories** on sale £3.00. Free Calendars available from the Columban Fathers.

**Come along and join us** in the Parish Hall at 7 p.m. on Thursday, 20 December 2018 for our annual festive singalong CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT. Mulled wine and mince pies to keep you going as we amble through favourite Christmas songs. All proceeds in aid of the Catholic Handicapped Fellowship CHF Oxford Group. Only £5 per person!! Please call Maria on 0121 705 8421 to book your seat on Santa's sleigh.

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| <p>8th December</p> <p>Saturday</p> <p><b>SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b></p> | <p>Baruch 5:1-9    Philipians 1:3-6,8-11<br/>         Luke 3:1-6</p> <p><b>12.30pm</b> Frederick Law-RIP<br/>         Holy Souls Novena<br/>         Margaret Spangler-Intention</p>   | <p>Confession/Exposition<br/>         11.00-12.00 Noon</p> <p>Tea/Coffee available after<br/>         12.30pm Mass</p>                                     |
| <p>9th December</p> <p><b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b></p>   | <p>Baruch 5:1-9    Philipians 1:3-6,8-11<br/>         Luke 3:1-6</p> <p><b>9.00am</b> Gerard O'Sullivan-RIP</p> <p><b>11.00am</b> Rose -Birthday</p>   | <p>Tea/Coffee available after 9am<br/>         &amp; 11am Masses</p>    |
| <p>10th December</p> <p>Monday</p> <p>Advent Feria</p> <p><i>St Edmund Gennings</i></p>                             | <p>Isaiah 35:1-10                      Luke 5:17-26</p> <p><b>9.35am</b> The Rosary</p> <p><b>10.00am</b> Holy Souls-Novena</p>  | <p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm<br/>         Journey in Faith-after 10am<br/>         Mass-Presbytery</p>   |
| <p>11th December</p> <p>Tuesday</p> <p>Advent Feria</p> <p>St Damasus</p>   | <p>Isaiah 40:1-11                      Matthew 18:12-14</p> <p><b>9.35am</b> The Rosary</p> <p><b>10.00am</b> Liam McNally<br/>         Patrick Gill-RIP</p>   | <p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm</p> <p>Legion of Mary 6.15pm<br/>         Youth Group 6.30pm-8.30pm</p>   |
| <p>12th December</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>Advent Feria</p> <p>Our Lady of Guadalupe</p>                              | <p>Isaiah 40:25-31                      Matthew 11:28-30</p> <p><b>9.05am</b> The Rosary</p> <p><b>9.30am</b> Deceased members of Murphy &amp;<br/>         Jones Families<br/>         Jim &amp; Kitty Kehoe-RIP</p>              | <p>Parents &amp; Toddlers Group</p> <p>Rainbows 4.30pm-5.30pm<br/>         Brownies 5.45pm-7.30pm</p>  |
| <p>13th December</p> <p>Thursday</p> <p><i>St Lucy</i></p>  | <p>Isaiah 41:13-20                      Matthew 11:11-15</p> <p><b>12.05am</b> The Rosary</p> <p><b>12.30pm</b> Mai Flynn<br/>         Christine Lawton-RIP<br/>         Pat &amp; Esther Murphy-RIP</p>                           | <p>Pre-School 9.30am-12.30pm</p> <p>Exposition 12.00pm-12.30pm</p>   |
| <p>14th December</p> <p>Friday</p> <p>St John of The Cross</p>  | <p>Isaiah 48:17-19                      Matthew 11:16-19</p> <p><b>9.35am</b> The Rosary</p> <p><b>10.00am</b> Kath Clarke-Birthday</p> <p><b>6.30pm</b> Mary Joyce-RIP</p>  | <p>Exposition after 10am Mass<br/>         until 12.30pm</p> <p>Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm</p>  |
| <p>15th December</p> <p>Saturday</p>  | <p>Zephaniah 3:14-18    Philipians 4:4-7<br/>         Luke 3:10-18</p> <p><b>12.30pm</b> Ian Thornley-RIP<br/>         Special Intention<br/>         Paul Casey-RIP</p>   | <p>Confession/Exposition<br/>         11.00-12.00 Noon</p> <p>Tea/Coffee available after<br/>         12.30pm Mass</p>                                     |
| <p>16th December</p> <p><i>Third Sunday of Advent</i></p> <p><i>Gaudete Sunday</i></p>                              | <p>Zephaniah 3:14-18    Philipians 4:4-7<br/>         Luke 3:10-18</p> <p><b>9.00am</b> Thanksgiving-Frank Miller 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday<br/>         John McCaffrey-RIP</p> <p><b>11.00am</b> Susan &amp; Ben McKiernan-RIP</p> | <p>Tea/Coffee available after 9am<br/>         &amp; 11am Masses</p>  |

**Offertory Collection last week: £1,270:72 (Gift Aid £288:50 Loose £982:22)**

**Second Collection this weekend: Poor Parishes of the Diocese**

**PEACH COLOURED RAFFLE TICKETS-THE WINNERS ARE:** 119 Bottle of Sherry

165 Bottle of Semi Secco 251 Bottle of Tia Maria 284 M&S Belgian Biscuits

333 Gold Bow Hamper 340 Bottle of Prosecco 363 Jasmine Soap Set

396 Bottle of Prosecco- Please take your ticket to the Presbytery to collect your prize. Thank you for your support.

**CAROLS AROUND THE WARDS-HEARTLANDS HOSPITAL-** Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm. See poster in porch.

**MARYVALE INSTITUTE-** Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy & Catholic Traditions; Scholarship offered. See poster in porch for details.

**Wednesday 19th December.** Charity Music Gig at the Hare & Hounds Public House Kings Heath Birmingham in aid of The Children's Hospital. Two acts will be performing namely Acoustic Sunset followed by Replay. Entry is from 19.30 hours and tickets cost £5.00 on the door or £4.00 via the Hare & Hounds on line website called skiddle. Please support us if you can, as it will be a very enjoyable evening.

**A Day for Practising Catholics Aspiring for Leadership Positions in Catholic Schools across the Archdiocese of Birmingham** 8.30am – 3.30pm (no cost for this course) Don Bosco House Coventry Road Coleshill B46 3EA Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019 Please use the link to book a place on this course: <http://w.pfrms.co/2ltp>

**St Paul's School for Girls**, Vernon Rd, Edgbaston, B16 9SL. Tel : 0121 454 0895 email:

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Hours: 36.5 plus banked hours Salary: £19,446 - £20,074 depending on experience. Also **St Paul's School for Girls, Vernon Rd, Edgbaston, B16 9SL.**

**Readers this week**

**SUNDAY**

**9.00am** Teresa Cund  
*Gerry Coburn*

**11.00am** Maria Watts  
*Chris Hodrien*

**Eucharistic Ministers this week**

**SUNDAY**

**9.00am** Anne & Michael Hallissey  
*Joan & Dan Doyle*

**11.00am** Tessy Nettikkadan  
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**Cleaning Rota: for week beginning December 10th for Services 15th/16th December – E**

Annie Fuller, Teresa Donovan, Rebecca Davies

**Flowers Rota: – for week beginning December 10th for Services 15th/16th December –No Flowers Advent**

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish

Virginia Gregory, Angela, Eilish, Tony Duffy Margaret Kelly Joan Kennedy Roberto Cordora  
Keith Frettsome Martin Yates

Remember that we are never  
more than instruments of God:

we must put our hand in His and let Him lead us.

His will is so mysterious. We must say: 'They will be done.'

He will never forget us. He never forgets, even when it seems most that we are forgotten,  
we are not forgotten. He will lead us if we trust ourselves to Him.

**Recollections of Emmeline Deane, quoted in the Copia Publica of Positio Papers, vol VII, p 2501**



**Please pray for:** Patrick Gabriel Quinn (Funeral Service Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December; 1pm Robin Hood) who died recently. Also Malcolm Kelly, Tony Quinn, Raymond John Nicholson, Ernest Edwin Phipps, Bob Morgan, Gordon Sutton, James McGettigan, Frank Norton, Mary Eileen Lunn, Hugh Hegarty, Simon Andrew Roche, Timothy O'Shea and Maureen Anne Bernadette Seager and all with anniversaries at this time.

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