

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

20 FEBRUARY 2022

LOOKING AHEAD TO LENT

The annual penitential season of Lent will soon begin with the celebration of Ash Wednesday on 2nd March. In anticipation for this holy season, I invite everyone in the parish to sincerely consider new ways to grow in faith. This is a chosen time to renew and deepen our relationship with God and the Church by asking the question: What more can I do for God and others? Lent is a time to 'shake up' our faith routine and to invest more time into prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

You will find below the Lenten timetable for the parish. I especially draw your attention to regular 10am daily Mass. I invite you to consider joining us at this weekday Mass if you are able, and to offer this as your daily Lenten promise. I am conscious that work commitments preclude many parishioners from attending daily Mass, but for those who are able, or perhaps those with a day off, we would love to see you through the week. There is no greater way to start the day than with holy Mass!

You will notice that I have decided not to schedule additional daily Masses this Lent. In view of my recent gallbladder infection, I think this is the most prudent way to proceed. I am, however, happy to report that since my spell in hospital and these few weeks at home, I am gradually getting back to some normality. I am immensely grateful to Father Toweey for celebrating daily Mass in my absence these days although I'm sure this is not the 'slower pace' he was expecting as he enters retirement. I also thank Deacon David and our many lay helpers who have kept everything running smoothly during my absence. I hope to be able to gather with you around the altar very soon.

Fr. Kane

SUNDAY OBLIGATION RESTORED

Please note that the Bishops of Scotland have now announced the restoration of the Sunday Obligation to attend Holy Mass. As you know this had been suspended for the duration of the pandemic in order to keep people safe.

This means that from Sunday 6th March, the First Sunday of Lent, Catholics should attend Holy Mass. This is now the time to return to the regular attendance of Holy Mass each week. The commandment to keep the Sabbath Day holy is an extremely important element of our faith and shows a commitment to God that we desire to seek His living presence in the sacraments. Of course, those who are housebound, sick, caring for a sick relative are dispensed of

LENTEN TIMETABLE

(Starting from Ash Wednesday)

Parish Daily Mass

Monday to Saturday at 10.00am

Evening Prayer & Benediction

Sundays at 6.00pm

Stations of the Cross:

Thursdays at 7.00pm

Lenten Confessions

Saturdays 10.45am - 11.30am

Thursdays 7.00pm - 7.30pm

Parish Giving

If you are able, please continue to financially support your parish each week

There are lots of ways to support your parish:

- You can put into the Covid-safe collection bags at the weekend Mass
- You can drop your weekly offering in the letterbox of the Parish House.
- You can donate using the online payment feature on our website
- You can set-up a regular standing order which you can also *Giftaid*.
The online form is available on the Donate page of our site.
- Use our new Chip & Pin donation machine at the back of the Church by simply entering the amount you would like to give

Visit www.saintaugustines.org.uk/donate for more information.

– SECURITY UPGRADES –

Early in March work will commence on important security improvements around the parish estate. The parish was recently awarded over £13,000 from a dedicated Scottish Government grant scheme for this specific purpose. My thanks to Ellen Archibald and Ken Boyle for managing the grant process and for liaising with contractors over these many months. The upgrades will include: the installation of new high quality CCTV cameras to cover the entire church estate and new alarms systems.

Additionally, we have been granted funds to contribute to boundary security. The open style of the church complex does not allow us to limit access in any way which is something I have been looking to address in recent times, not least because of some recent security incidents and vandalism.

My intention is to recreate a dwarf wall entrance, with iron fencing, at the carpark entrance. This was originally part of the church estate but was sadly removed many years ago. Naturally, any new wall and ironwork would have to be in keeping with the style of the church and sympathetic to what we already have around the perimeter walls. More details will follow soon...

CHURCH HEATING

Following our recent upgrade, heating has now been restored to our Church.

This has made an enormous overall improvement in the ambient temperature in the Church building.

Thanks be to God!

Thank you for your patience over these past few cold weeks.

God bless, Fr. Kane





Covid-19 Update

In recent times, public health guidance has relaxed some of the rules for visits to public places. In turn, this has an impact on those attending places of worship like St. Augustine's. Please make note of the changes below:

Check-in for Mass

This is no longer required. Simply turn-up to the Mass you wish to attend. There are no longer capacity restrictions for our church.

Track and Trace

This is no longer mandatory. Contact information will no longer be collected as you enter the Church. Those who wish can still check-in using the QR code in the porch or on the church pews.

Hand Sanitising

This is still a requirement as you enter the Church. Please also consider using your own personal hand sanitiser before you leave your pew for Holy Communion.

Face Coverings

These are still mandatory, except for small children and those who are exempt.

Social Distancing

There is no longer a requirement to socially distance within the Church building. It is certainly prudent to keep some distance from the person next to you in the pew, not least in light of the fact that some people are still anxious.

Holy Water

These can now be used once again as you enter the church. It is essential that you sanitise your hands thoroughly before dipping your finger into the font.

Collections

These will continue using the long-arm telescopic poles. This takes away the need to touch the baskets as they are passed around. Alternatively, you may wish to donate using the QR codes attached to the pews, or the chip and pin machine at the back of the Church.

Cleaning

Our stewards are still cleaning pews and touch points for your safety and peace of mind.

Singing

Singing is permitted.

Celebrating Sacraments

There is no longer a capacity restriction for our church building. This means that there are no longer limits on the numbers who can attend marriages, baptisms, funerals and other celebrations.

A Warm (and belated) Welcome to Father Towey...

Due to Fr Kane's recent bout of illness, it was not possible to formally introduce Fr Towey to the parish when he arrived three weeks ago. Albeit now late, it is important to offer a warm welcome to him as he takes-up residence in the Chapel house.



Born in Co. Mayo in Ireland, and educated in Saint Peter's Seminary in Co. Wexford, Father Dominic Towey (*not Towie!*) came to Motherwell Diocese over fifty years ago. After Ordination in Ireland, his first months in Scotland were spent here at St. Augustine's where he was, for a short time, a curate. It now seems extraordinary that this would also become his place of retirement some fifty-one years later!

Over the course of his long ministry he has served in various parishes across our diocese. As a parish priest he served in St. John Ogilvie's in High Blantyre and St. John the Baptist's in Uddingston, from where he retired after sixteen happy and fruitful years.

Alongside his parish duties, he was for a long time the Chaplain to Charismatic Renewal and was also Vocations director for Motherwell Diocese. It was in that role that he crossed paths with our current parish priest as a young student for the priesthood. Fr. Kane was ordained in St. John the Baptist's church in Uddingston and both priests have remained friends ever since, often leading joint parish pilgrimages together to Medjugorje, Rome, the Holy Land and elsewhere over these past ten years.

After his sterling service to the diocese Fr. Towey now returns to St. Augustine's where it all began, to enter the slower pace of retirement. Or so he thought! Although he will spend some of his time in Ireland, he will be a very familiar face in our parish and will assist in the celebration of Masses and hearing confessions. Known for his 'Irish wit' and direct style of preaching, he will be a very welcome face in our parish.



If you see him around the parish, remember to say 'hello' and to introduce yourself. Unfortunately, you will no longer see him with his trusty canine friend since Pat, his flat-coat retriever dog, sadly died just before his move to Coatbridge. Nevertheless, dogs are a conversation subject very close to his heart, alongside football and Irish sports!

We hope he will find a warm welcome in our parish and that he feels very much at home in the chapel house. May the Lord grant him the strength of a long and happy retirement and a fruitful ministry among us!

WEDNESDAY LECTIO DIVINA GROUP

We have now restarted
our Parish Lectio Divina Prayer Group.

This will take place in the Parish Centre
every Wednesday at 7.00pm.

New members are always welcome to join.
Tea/coffee available afterwards.



KAIROS CAFÉ

Since most of the hospitality restrictions have now lifted, we hope soon to be able to re-open the Parish Café which has been a huge miss to so many over these past two years. However, we are still looking for another person to assist in the day-to-day running of the café.

If you are interested in this part-time job (approx. 16 hours per week) please contact the Parish Office with your details.

Since duties include food preparation a food hygiene certificate is essential.

Contact 01236 423044 for more information.



ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH CENTRE

A great way to support your Parish! Our
two Function Suites available for:

Wedding Receptions / Funeral Breakfasts
Baptism Receptions / Birthday Parties
Anniversary Parties / Charity Events etc.

**For booking enquiries call
Margaret at the Parish Office:
01236 423044 (Mon-Thurs from 9am–1pm)**

**WEEKEND DATES
STILL AVAILABLE FOR 2022**



PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

PARISH RELIGIOUS SHOP



Open daily after each Mass - Come in & see our new stock items

Statues / Rosaries / books / First Communion gifts / large selection of religious cards / medals / books and much more...



JOINING THE CATHOLIC FAMILY



As you know around about this time of year the RCIA Team are getting ready to accompany those within our community who feel drawn to the Catholic family. I would ask that you continue to pray for all those discerning the Lord's call to embrace the Catholic faith. During these months of prayer, discernment and preparation they will come to know the Lord and His Church more profoundly, with the hope that they will formally join the Church at Easter. If you, or someone you know, would like to take the next step, then speak to Fr. Kane.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

During the COVID-19 restrictions home visits to the sick and housebound were severely disrupted. At that time Fr. Kane was only able to visit those who were seriously unwell. With the relaxation of some guidance, the parish is now able to restart regular pastoral visits. If you or a loved one, neighbour or friend would like a home visit from Fr. Kane please complete and return the following form to the Parish House. The office will then be in touch to arrange a suitable time for Fr. Kane to visit, as well as a more long-term arrangement for the housebound person to receive Holy Communion and the Sacrament of the Sick at home.

St. Augustine's Parish - Pastoral Visit Request Form

Name of Sick or housebound person: _____

Address for visitation: _____

Contact Number: _____

**Please return this completed form to the Parish House. The office will be in touch to make arrangements.*

HOLY MASS TO CELEBRATE THE ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday 2nd March 2022
10.00am & 7.00pm

Join us as we begin the season of Lent together.

*The
Season
of
Lent*



SYNOD MEETINGS

Once Fr. Kane is back after his bout of ill health, he will publish details of the parish Synod meetings. It is anticipated that these will take place during the season of Lent. More details to follow in next weekend's bulletin. More details can be found on the diocesan webpage and social media feeds.

DIOCESAN 'BENEMERENTI' MEDAL AWARD

Recently I announced that one of our parishioners is to be awarded the Diocesan Medal for services to Saint Augustine's Parish. Ken Boyle is a most worthy recipient of this honour. Unfortunately, the Mass was postponed before Christmas due to coronavirus restrictions. We hope very soon to confirm a new date for the Mass when we will welcome Bishop Toal to preside and to present Ken with his medal. Once again we offer our congratulations to him on this happy occasion. God bless, *Fr. Kane*

CHECK-IN CHANGES

Those who wish are invited to check-in to Mass using the QR codes now attached to the Church pews. Please continue to use the hand sanitisers in the church porch and also your personal sanitiser before receiving Holy Communion. Face coverings should also be worn in the church unless you are exempt.



SUNDAY OBLIGATION TO BE RESTORED

Please read the Pastoral letter from the Bishops of Scotland about the restoration of the Sunday Obligation from 6th March. This letter is published online. It is worth highlighting that those who are genuinely unable to restart attending Mass due to illness or because of a serious anxiety or fear, should not feel obliged to attend. This important point was stressed by a letter Bishop Toal sent to the Parish Priests of the diocese.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please join us for Stations of the Cross each Thursday evening during the season of Lent at 7.00pm. This is a simple and poignant prayer tradition during the penitential season.



Glasgow Has a New Archbishop

On Friday 4 February 2022 pope Francis appointed Bishop William Nolan, as Archbishop of Glasgow. The new Archbishop will succeed Archbishop Philip Tartaglia who died in January 2021. Bishop Nolan is currently the Bishop of Galloway.

Reacting to the announcement, Bishop Nolan said:

"I feel overwhelmed by the trust Pope Francis is putting in me by appointing me as Archbishop of Glasgow. It will be wrench for me to leave Galloway Diocese where for seven years I have experienced the kindness and friendship of so many people, particularly the clergy. God truly blessed me by sending me to Galloway and I hope that my successor there will be similarly blessed.

As I overcome my initial shock at being appointed Archbishop my thoughts now turn to the challenges that lies ahead. I look forward to working with everyone in the Archdiocese, laity and clergy, to carry out the mission that we share of proclaiming God's good news and of bringing the joy of the gospel into the lives of the people of today."



Bishop Nolan added:

"I am well aware of my own inadequacies and of the difficulties the Church faces today. Thank God therefore that we can sure of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the Church. As I leave the Diocese of Galloway behind, from now on I belong to Glasgow. And I assure the people of Glasgow of my commitment and dedication to them. Please remember me in your prayers."

Welcoming the appointment Mgr. Hugh Bradly, who has been Administrator of the Archdiocese of Glasgow since the death of Archbishop Philip Tartaglia, said:

"I am delighted with the appointment of Bishop Nolan; I offer him a warm welcome to the Archdiocese of Glasgow and a promise of prayers on behalf of all the clergy, religious and laity. May our good God bless him with health and strength to lead us in faith."

Commenting on the appointment, Fr. William McFadden, Vicar General of the diocese of Galloway said:

"As Bishop of Galloway, Bishop Nolan presented a pastoral vision with a genuinely collaborative approach. He led with humility and determination, inspired by the initiatives of Pope Francis, and focussing on the needs of the Church for the 21st century. This appointment will allow him to serve both the people of Glasgow and the wider Church with the same abilities with which he served us in Galloway for seven valuable years. We will miss him, but appreciate greatly the contribution which he made, and the legacy which he leaves."

This is an especially joyful announcement for those of us in Motherwell diocese since Archbishop-elect Nolan was formerly a priest of this diocese. In fact, Fr Kane was briefly a curate to the-then Fr Nolan in Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in East Kilbride. We wish him every blessing as he takes-up this important role within the Church. May he lead with courage and serve with love.

CONFIRMATION PRAYER PARTNERS

The parish is preparing to enter the final few weeks of sacramental preparation for the young people of Seven who, very soon, will celebrate Confirmation in our Church with Bishop Toal on **Wednesday 16th March at 7pm.**

These days are marked by catechesis around the gifts of the Holy Spirit which they will receive in this sacrament of maturity. They also learn about the life and example of the saint whose name they have chosen to now accompany them through life. Yet, this time of preparation is not only focused around catechesis and learning; it is also about prayer and preparing interiorly for this next important step in their journey of faith. The candidates are encouraged to deepen their relationship with the Lord through daily prayer by themselves, and also with their families.



This is also an opportunity for the entire parish family to pray for our young people as they put down deeper roots of faith. I would ask that all of us hold these children in our daily prayer, to ask the Lord to make them strong and committed members of the Church and active disciples of Jesus.



For those who are happy to commit to this spiritual endeavour, you may like to sign-up to be a **Prayer Partner** for one of our *Confirmandi*. You can choose a candidate from the board in the Church porch. Simply write your name and pray for your candidate every day in the lead-up to Confirmation. I also invite you to write and send a Confirmation card to your child, with a short personal message to remind them that you are accompanying them with daily prayer. This is a tangible way to remind the children that they belong to a spiritual family that loves and supports them.

Breakfast Club at St. Augustine's Parish *is back!*

Running every school day from 7.45am - 8.55am
from the Parish Centre.

To register your child or for more information contact
Liz Quate on 07703 774512



National Day of Prayer

Friday 4th March 2022 is a Day of Prayer all those who have experienced abuse.

Please pray for children, young people and vulnerable adults whose lives have been scarred by the abuse they have experienced at the hands of those whom they trusted.

Pray also for all are engaged in the pursuit of peace, healing and reconciliation for the abused, the needy, the weak and the vulnerable.

Pray that the work of the new Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency will be guided by the Holy Spirit to help us all to meet our responsibility to respect and safeguard the dignity of all.



Bishops' Conference of Scotland

Let us remember and pray for
all those who have suffered abuse.

Day of Prayer
Friday 4th March 2022



To find liturgical resources, go to: www.bcos.org.uk/Safeguarding

Monthly Medjugorje Mass

in St. Augustine's Church

On the last Monday of each month

(Next Mass is on Monday 28th February)

The evening of prayer follows the same daily programme as the Shrine of Medjugorje:

7.00pm Rosary

7.30pm Holy Mass

followed by Adoration

Tea/coffee afterwards in the Parish Centre





Youth News



Ignite Drama Club - Easter Play

Following the success of our Christmas Nativity Play, our Ignite Drama Club is back again in preparation for easter! The group will meet every Wednesday evening (starting on Ash Wednesday) at 4.30pm in the Parish Centre.

25 places are available for any children in P3 & P4 wishing to take part in a live Stations of the Cross play around easter time. The play will narrate the Easter story. It will also be filmed by Being Catholic TV and broadcast on our national Catholic channel.

More details to follow via our Youth Officer Jan. Watch-out for the parental letter in school bags coming soon...

Sacrament Dates & Enrolment Masses

Please note the following important dates:

P7 Confirmation Enrolment Mass - Sunday 20th February 2022, 10am Family Mass

P3 First Reconciliation Enrolment Mass - Sunday 27th February, 10am Family Mass

P7 Confirmation Mass with Bishop Toal - Wednesday 16th March 2022, 7pm

P3 First Reconciliation Service - Tuesday 22nd March 2022, 7pm

Lent Craft Packs

Following the excellent uptake of recent Lent and Advent kids crafts packs, these will again be made available free of charge to our children very soon.

Each pack will contain fun activities, puzzles, games and crafts for each day of Lent. As ever, prizes for the best entries!!!

More details can be found in next week's bulletin on how to get yours!





Youth News



Altar Servers

A huge thanks to all our new altar servers who have been AMAZING on the altar. Please remember that servers are allocated to Masses on the updated rota.

Those wishing to join our servers' group should contact the Servers' Co-ordinator Nadine Henderson on 07864287952 for more details. Updates are also posted regularly on the parents' WhatsApp group.

Children's Liturgy

This fun group is open to all children in Primary 4 and below and takes place during the 10am Sunday Family Mass. The priest will invite all the children to go to the sacristy at the start of Mass for their own liturgy. There the children will listen to the Gospel and learn about Jesus' words through a craft lesson.



Ignite Clubs

The Ignite Club continues again this Sunday from 10.45am - 11.45am immediately after the 10am Family Mass. These clubs will help to prepare the children preparing for sacraments this coming year. It will work on a 2 week basis (one Sunday for P3 & P4, and then the next Sunday for P7 kids). Each club will contain a fun teaching through craft!

Children in the sacramental classes are asked to attend the 10am Mass and then go to the Parish Centre afterwards for Ignite. During this time parents can enjoy a tea/coffee and a hot breakfast roll in the lower hall. Below you will find the Ignite schedule for the next few weekends:

- This Sunday 20th February - P7
- Next Sunday 27th February - P3 & P4
- Sunday 6th March - P7
- Sunday 13th March - P3 & P4
- Sunday 20th March - P7
- Sunday 27th March - P3 & P4

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Weekly Kids Competition

Every week the Parish Bulletin will feature a colour-in page for kids. We invite children to complete the craft and post your finished work through the letterbox of the Parish House. All entries will be displayed on the windows of the Parish House (facing the outdoor Calvary scene) for all to see and admire! Fr. Kane will choose a winner each week with a small prize for the best! Well done to last week's winners.





Youth News



Ignite Drama Club

This weekend we have our first ever parish Nativity Play. Every week we have been rehearsing within the Church and Parish Centre. Thank you to all the children for their hard work and commitment and thank you to the parish volunteers for giving their time to help grow Youth Ministry within our Parish.

Confirmation Saints' Names

Primary 7 children are now busy choosing a sponsor and selecting their Confirmation saint's name. Boys choose a male saint and girls choose a female saint. This is a heroic person they can turn to in prayer at any moment throughout their lives. This saint becomes their protector & friend from heaven! It's an important decision, requiring lots of research & prayer.

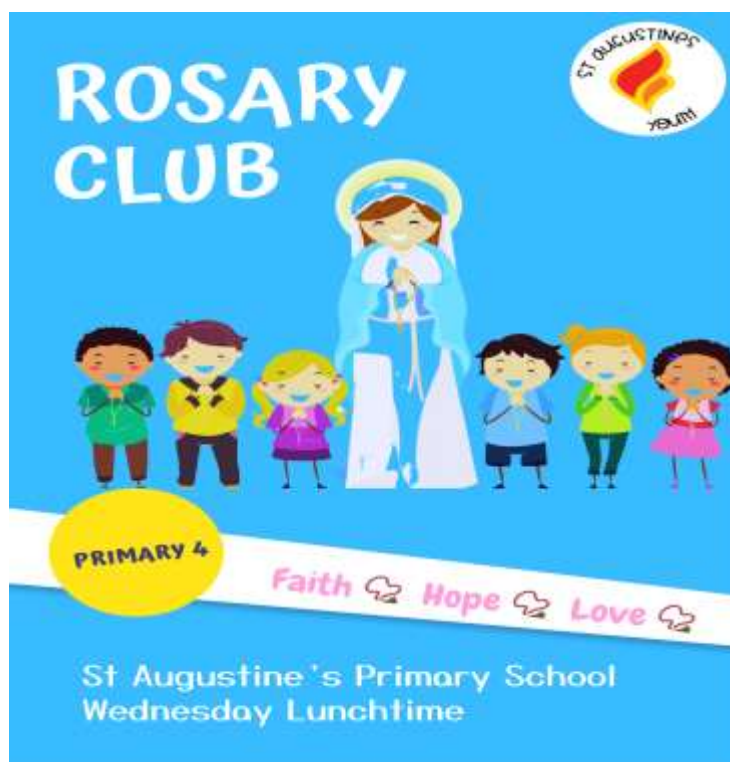


FAITHBOOK - New Monthly Newsletter for Kids

Our Parish Youth Officer Jan has been busy putting together the second edition of our fun-filled 12 page newsletter which will soon be given-out to all the children in our Primary School. It will also be available every month online for download. This new project allows our young people to learn more about their faith and keep informed about all the different activities and clubs available for them here in the parish. It also includes craft exercises, puzzles and games!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Families of P3 pupils have the date of their child's First Holy Communion (either 8th or 15th May 2022). The children are now preparing for this important sacrament using their school workbook and by attending the twice-monthly Ignite clubs!



LOVE YOUR ENEMIES

Matthew 5:44

But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.



Remember to return your colour-in sheet to the Parish House to enter into our weekly kids competition! Fr. Kane will choose the winner this week!

THE PEOPLE'S PANTRY

Can you support our parish foodbank with vital food donations? These supplies are given freely to individuals and families in the local area who request help.

**WE NEED
YOUR HELP**

Food donations can be left at the sacristy after any Mass or at the Parish House through the day.

Please remember the People's Pantry is open every Thursday from 12 noon to 3pm. We are there to help anyone who is struggling with food supplies. It is Fr Kane's intention to increase the opening hours of the Pantry very soon so that this vital food support is more widely accessible to those in need.

HELPING THE LOCAL COMMUNITY WITH FOOD AID



The People's Pantry Foodbank

Blairgrove Shopping Precinct, Coatbridge. Next to Scotmid

**OPEN EVERY THURSDAY
12.00 - 3.00 PM**



CLOTHING SUPPORT

The parish recently took delivery of a very large quantity of new clothing and footwear which was kindly donated by The Knights of Malta based in London.

We will be looking to give these items away freely to anyone in our community who is in need. More details to follow in the bulletin.

WINTER COAT APPEAL

St. Augustine's Parish, Coatbridge

**DO YOU HAVE ANY OLD COATS/JACKETS
ADULTS AND CHILDREN'S SIZES NEEDED
CAN BE DONATED AT OUR TOY APPEAL SHOP
84 MAIN STREET, COATBRIDGE
(THE OLD SHOE ZONE)**

FREE winter coats for adults and kids will be available outside the Church railings (Dundyvan Road) every Saturday from 12pm – 6pm every weekend (and through Saturday nights) until the end of February. Check you size and simply take what you need! Spread the word!

Marriage Preparation Courses



Online booking is now open for couples preparing for marriage within the Catholic Church. These single day courses will take place at:

St. Augustine's Parish Centre, Dundyvan Road, Coatbridge ML5 1DQ

Courses take place on Saturdays from 11.30am - 2.30pm on these days:

18 September 2021

23 October 2021

22 January 2022

19 February 2022

19 March 2022

23 April 2022

The course costs £50 per couple and includes all course materials.

Book your course today at www.marriagefamilylife.org

Please book only ONE day course. For more information contact Fr. Michael Kane from the Marriage & Family Life Agency at familylife@rcdom.org.uk



Church Cleaning Group

If you would like to join our small team of volunteers who help clean the church each week then please contact the Parish House.

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Visit www.saintaugustines.org.uk/donate for more information.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Please note that this weekend there will be a Special Collection. The Second Collection will be taken-up in support of the sick and retired priests of our diocese. This is our way of showing our gratitude and practical support for the many priests who have faithfully served the local church over their lifetime. It pays for residential care for those priests who require this type of support in old-age.

PARISH TIMETABLE FOR THIS COMING WEEK

Sunday 20 February Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time	10.00am Family Mass (Enrolment Mass for P7 Confirmation Candidates) 10.50am - 11.50am Ignite Club for P7 Children (Parish Centre) 10.50am - 11.50am Sunday Brunch - hot drinks & Breakfast rolls (Parish Centre) 12.00 Noon Holy Mass 12.00pm - 6.00pm & overnight FREE COATS available from Church rails 5.00pm Holy Mass <i>Visit www.beingcatholic.org for online services from 10am - 9.30pm daily.</i>
Monday 21 February Seventh Week of Ordinary Time	9.00am - 2.50pm Primary 3 First Reconciliation Retreat (Parish Centre) 10.00am Holy Mass with P3 pupils <i>Chaplet to Saint Michael immediately after Holy Mass</i> 11.30am Requiem Mass of Anne Boyd RIP 7.30pm RCIA Meeting (Parish House) <i>Visit www.beingcatholic.org for online services from 10am - 9.30pm daily.</i>
Tuesday 22 February Chair of Saint Peter Feast	9.00am - 2.50pm Primary 3 First Reconciliation Retreat (Parish Centre) 10.00am Holy Mass with P3 pupils <i>Visit www.beingcatholic.org for online services from 10am - 9.30pm daily.</i>
Wednesday 23 February Saint Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr	10.00am Holy Mass 12.30pm Rosary Club for Pupils (Primary School) 7.00pm Lectio Divina Prayer Group (Parish Centre) <i>Visit www.beingcatholic.org for online services from 10am - 9.30pm daily.</i>
Thursday 24 February Seventh Week of Ordinary Time	10.00am Holy Mass <i>Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots immediately after Holy Mass</i> <i>Visit www.beingcatholic.org for online services from 10am - 9.30pm daily.</i>
Friday 25 February Seventh Week of Ordinary Time	10.00am Holy Mass <i>Visit www.beingcatholic.org for online services from 10am - 9.30pm daily.</i>
Saturday 26 February Votive Mass of Our Lady	10.00am Holy Mass <i>Confessions immediately after Holy Mass</i> 12.00pm Baptism 4.00pm Vigil Mass <i>Visit www.beingcatholic.org for online services from 10am - 9.30pm daily.</i>
Sunday 27 February Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time	10.00am Family Mass (Enrolment Mass for P3 First Reconciliation Candidates) 10.50am - 11.50am Ignite Club for P3 & P4 Children (Parish Centre) 10.50am - 11.50am Sunday Brunch - hot drinks & Breakfast rolls (Parish Centre) 12.00 Noon Holy Mass 1.30pm Baptisms 12.00pm - 6.00pm & overnight FREE COATS available from Church rails 5.00pm Holy Mass <i>Visit www.beingcatholic.org for online services from 10am - 9.30pm daily.</i>



Please note: Ash Wednesday falls on Wednesday 2nd March. Masses at Saint Augustine's (with distribution of ashes) will take place on that day at 10am and 7pm. Please come along to one of the Masses as we begin our Lenten journey.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Mary Hill; Helen Gallagher; Marie Cochrane; Harry Ferris; Helen Johnston; Bridie McMurray; Jeanette McLean; Terry Vallely; Anne Boyd; Gerard McShane.

ANNIVERSARIES / MONTHS MINDS / BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES

Very Rev. James Canon Foley; Stuart Ferguson Snr & Jnr; Edward & Margaret Tobin; Bill McKenna; Bernard Donnelly; Peter, Isabella, Patrick, James, Mary, Julia, Patrick, John & Elizabeth McLeary; John & Isabella McNamee; Kevin McCoy; Harry Brown; Michael, Anna, John & Ann Coogan; Franics & Frank McMahon; Tommy & Minnie Skelton; Rena Cowan; Arthur Hand; Anne Hamill; Tommy & Sadie Hamill; Wullie & Jean Logue; Daniel Hughes & Jennifer Doherty; Aidan & John O'Neill; Mary Clarke.

SICK

We remember all our loved ones, friends and fellow parishioners who are sick at this time, seeking the intercession of Our Lady for their protection and healing. We pray especially for:

Baby Jackson Watters; Patricia Third; Catherine McAllister; John Lennon; Jane (McGoogan) Dick, Kathleen McLeary, James Stewart; William Houston; Catherine Kane; Mark Hill; Alec Goldie; Janette & Johnny McLean; Mr Hernandez; Robert Warner; Heather Flanigan, Patrick Maguire; Rose Bree; Amelia Jepsome; Sharon Brown; Morag Dunn; Rebecca McNally; Jim Gillick, Stephen Harper; Ruby Brown; Alice Iwalumo; Baby Charlotte Emery; Sophie McLelland; Mary Mitchell; Margaret Rowan; John Cairney; James Trower; Grazyna Shellie; Ellen Curran; Alan Connelly; James Kerr.

Please alert the clergy of any particular prayer intentions to be included for those who are seriously unwell at this time. **Our Lady, help of the sick...pray for them.**

****Please note that the above names (excluding sick) will be read-out at the Sunday 10am broadcast Mass each week. Please ensure names are handed-in to the Parish Office by Thursday of that week at the latest.***

Parish Clergy:

Parish Priest: Rev. Fr. Michael Kane **In residence:** Rev. Fr. Dominic Towey **Deacon:** Rev. David Harper

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Calling Times / Office Hours

Appointments to speak to Fr. Kane may be made through his Secretary Mrs Haggarty by calling 01236 423044. (Office hours Mon – Thurs: 9am – 1pm). Alternatively you can email office@saintaugustines.org.uk

Sacrament of the Sick / Hospital Visitations

Those who require the Sacrament of the Sick at home should contact the Chapel House to arrange for a visit from Fr. Kane. This should ordinarily be arranged prior to any prolonged hospital visit. In cases of emergency where you or a family member require the pastoral assistance of the Chaplain please request this from the hospital nursing staff. Please note that even during this time of pandemic individuals have a right to be seen by a Minister of Religion, even if they are in COVID-19 isolation. The family should simply request a pastoral visit by the on-call emergency Chaplain.

Catholic Teacher Approval

Those wishing to teach in the Catholic sector are reminded that it is first necessary to obtain approval from your parish priest to show that you accept and live the Catholic faith. For those living within the parish of St. Augustine's this means approval from Fr. Kane. This applies to those about to enrol for the teaching course, those starting-out as probationary teachers, and all those applying for new posts (promoted or otherwise) within a Catholic school. Please contact Fr. Kane if you have any questions about this process.



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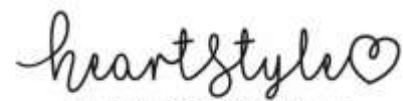
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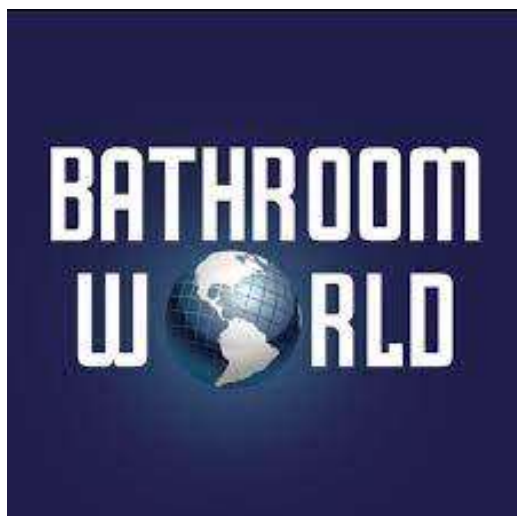
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