

MASSES AND SERVICES

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - 19th January 2025

Saturday	5.30pm	Roland and Margaret Taylor RIP (T&J T)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Tim Hegarty RIP (SF)

Weekday Masses

20.1 Mon	10.00am	Feria Majmunah (MG)
21.1 Tue	10.00am	St Agnes Isabel Cusack RIP (D&E B)
22.1 Wed	10.00am	Feria (Mass for Christian Unity) Deceased members of the Fildes family (SF)
23.1 Thu	10.00am	Feria Theresa Kelly RIP (EMB)
24.1 Fri	10.00am	St Francis de Sales Clarie Robinson RIP (JG)
25.1 Sat	10.00am	Conversion of St Paul Joanne Phillips RIP (MP)

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 26th January 2025

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Church Maintenance Fund.

Saturday	5.30pm	Jill Baynham wellbeing (B&P S)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Confirmandi

Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturday 9am -9.50 am
Rosary – Monday to Friday 9.35am Saturday 10.30am
Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

This week	R Price	S Simpson Heath
Next week	E Linker	E Parker

READERS	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	B May	J Smith	M Heap
Next week	TBA	TBA	School

Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

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Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Year

19th January 2025

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Second Week of Ordinary Time, Year C. The Sundays of Ordinary Time are the Sundays outside the Advent, Christmas Lent and Easter seasons. This Sunday we hear the Gospel of the wedding-feast at Cana, when Jesus works his first miracle transforming water into wine. At Cana water is transformed into an abundance of wine to provide for the wedding feast. This foreshadows the mystery of the Eucharist, by which wine is transformed into the blood of Christ poured out for our salvation. When Jesus remarks, "My hour has not yet come", he is referring to the baptism of blood which he will receive in his passion, death and resurrection. His hour is the hour of his glorification. We shall contemplate these mysteries in the readings from the evangelist St Luke through the year every Sunday, which is the day of the Resurrection of the Lord, a day of thanksgiving and a day of joy.

This Sunday is also a Day of Prayer for Peace and also falls within the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity (18-25 January). The Gospel today inspires us to pray for married couples and those preparing for marriage.

Next Sunday at 10.30am we welcome Bishop David Evans who will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on the children from our School and Catechism Class. I expect it might be a little busier on Sunday 26th so please bear this in mind.

It is with great sadness that we received news of the death of Isabel Cusack last Wednesday evening. Isabel contributed to the life of this parish and the diocese in so many different ways and was our parish catechist for over forty years. May she rest in peace.

Every Blessing,
Fr John

Missio: We have received a letter from Missio thanking all in the parish for their continuing generous support of the four seminarians. "Please keep all seminarians in your prayers – that they may become faithful, caring Priests. Your sponsored students and the young men training for the priesthood all over the world pray for you and all their supporters at daily Mass. Be assured that you will be also remembered at Mass celebrated in our Missio chapel."

Booking now open for this year's Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage. You are most welcome to join us this Jubilee Year as we journey to Lourdes in May. The pilgrimage runs from Saturday 24 - Friday 30 May 2025 with the theme: "With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope". If you would like to travel to Lourdes but in need of assistance we can help. Assisted pilgrims have the support of doctors, nurses, carers and hospitaliers throughout their time on pilgrimage. You will participate fully in the pilgrimage and experience the love of God through the care, love and friendship of volunteers. Please contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office to discuss assistance requirements: 0121 230 6288 / admin.lourdes@rcaob.org.uk. As well as applications from assisted pilgrims we're also keen to hear from doctors, nurses and carers eager to volunteer their time and experience Lourdes. If Our Lady is calling you please answer and give to others. We look forward to hearing from you. Find out more here: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage>

200 Club Annual Subscription £15: Subscriptions for 2024 were due on 31st December. If you do not pay by standing order please send or deliver a cheque to the presbytery. Please write "200" Club on the back of your cheque. Alternatively, you can pay by bank transfer using TTC as the reference; please contact the parish if you need our bank details. If you would like to join the 200 Club, application forms are available in the narthex.

✠ *Please pray for*

The housebound & the sick: Jeremy Hawker, Janet Zora, Arthur Uzell, Fr. Michael White, Tony Parsons, Rod Goodman, Dr John Martin, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Matthew Gallagher, Jane Cotter, Margaret Cosgrove and Jesse Cusack Morris, as well as parishioners in nursing homes and hospital.

Recently deceased: Christine Bullivant, Mary Gilligan, Isabel Cusack.
Fr Fred Sheldon, Parish Priest of St Augustine's 1981-1991: Fr Fred's body will be received into St Augustine's Church, Station Road, Solihull, B91 3TG on Tuesday 21st January at 6pm, followed by the celebration of Holy Mass. The Funeral Mass will take place on Wednesday 22nd January at 12 noon. Archbishop Bernard Longley will preside.

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: Frances McGauley, Joseph McGorian, Carole Johnson.

May the souls of the faithful departed, Rest in Peace.

Offertory: 12.1.25: Gift Aid Envelopes £240, Loose Plate £201.
Av standing order and online per week £620. Many thanks for your support.
Mass Attendances last Sunday 211.

Diocesan Directories £5

Jubilee: For more information about the Jubilee check out the parish website.

And finally....**Makes me smile**

The postman delivered 20 lbs of bubble wrap today, I asked him to pop it in the porch. He was there for three hours.

The Two Ronnies were playing darts. Who won?
Ronie Corbett because he was Littler.

I call my grandfather “the computer”. Nothing to do with intelligence. He drops off to sleep after fifteen minutes.

I woke up this morning to a terrible smell then I realised my alarm had gone off.

I popped into the butchers and asked if he had a sheep’s head. He said , “no, it’s just the way I part my hair.”

The wife of the boss of Amazon is leaving him..... with a neighbour.

The brother of Bruce Lee is a vegetarian – Broco Lee.

The ideal name of a writer who wishes to remain anonymous – Sue Denim.

I got a compliment about my driving. Someone left a note under the windscreen wiper saying Parking Fine which was a nice way to start the day.

Derek the dolphin turned up at work with a broken fin. He was sent home as he wasn't fit for porpoise.

Parish Centre News. Timetable for next week on the noticeboard. If you are having a family occasion, please consider booking our hall for your venue. **It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846-963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com**

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 Sandy Walmsley and Daphne Morgan. They can be contacted at: sg.stgeorge-stteresa.dorridge@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.