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NEWSLETTER Sunday 9th February 2020 Fifth Sunday of the Year			
Sunday Masses:	St Augustine's – Saturday at 6.00 pm; Sunday at 11.00 am Our Lady of Sorrows - Sunday at 9.30 am		
Weekday Masses:	St Augustine's – Monday to Friday at 9.30 am Mass will be preceded by praying the Rosary at 9.15 am		
Mass Intention			
St. Augustine's:	Saturday	8 February	6.00 pm John Connolly R.I.P
	Sunday	9 February	11.00 am People of the Parish
	Monday	10 February	9.30 am NO MASS
	Tuesday	11 February	9.30 am NO MASS
	Wednesday	12 February	9.30 am NO MASS
	Thursday	13 February	9.30 am NO MASS
	Friday	14 February	9.30 am NO MASS
Our Lady of Sorrows:	Sunday	9 February	9.30 am Special Intention
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament St. Augustine's, every Tuesday and Thursday from 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm , ending with Benediction at 6.15 pm			
Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays from 12.30 to 1.30 pm. Fr. Frank will be available in St. Augustine's Church for those who wish to receive this sacrament or would like some spiritual guidance			
Offertory Sunday 2 February 2020 £499.94			
Safeguarding Representative Jan Fredrickson safeguarding@staugustines.org.uk			

Year of the Word 2020 As part of our celebration, we will have a special Gospel Reflection Session (Lectio Divina) every Tuesday evening from 7.00 pm to 7.45 pm. It is not a lecture or discussion session. We would encourage you to attend if you can, as it is a powerful tool in helping us deepen our Faith

Welcome Wednesdays at St. Augustine's Hall

EVERY Wednesday 10 am until 12 noon. Come for a cup of tea or coffee and a chat and meet up with friends from the Parish

Morning Mass There will be no morning mass from Monday to Friday this week

First Holy Communion We are very happy that we have a good number preparing for First Communion this year. We welcome all of you and your parents also and we continue to pray for you. Special thanks to Anne Cannon (St Augustine's) and Kirstie Kerr (Our Lady of Sorrows) for preparing the children

Second Collection Racial Justice Sunday February 9 The Bishops of England and Wales have asked to pray for, reflect on and respond to Racial Justice matters within the Church and Wider Society

Bishop of Northampton Heartiest congratulations to Canon David Oakley on his appointment as new Bishop of Northampton. He will be installed as Bishop on March 19, Feast of St. Joseph. Let us pray for our newly-appointed bishop

Your prayers are asked for Fr. Séan Rynn, Fr. Paddy Feeney and those parishioners who remain ill, including: Dorrie Keating, Maggie Auton, Michael Cadwallader, Joan and Jack Wilson, David Mendes, Yolande Solari, David Murray-Bruce, Joe Gibbons and Sandie McCabe

Anniversaries Please pray for those who died recently, including Jackie Cullen, Mick Prichard, Ladislau Piedade Ratos, Robert Giffin, Peter Fredrickson, Ann Woodward, Betty Butler and John Connolly, and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Intimacy with Christ – A Prime Condition for Effective Prayer

Developing a familiarity with God is the doorway to a very effective level of prayer. Interceding with God means, primarily, being *intimately with him* – reminding him, gently 'pressurizing' him to do the thing that he knows is best for my welfare and that of others. God wants me to pray like this. The reason is that he has made himself 'dependent' on me for his work of healing and transforming the world.

I can help in this work by doing all I can to build God's Reign of justice, love and peace in the world. But I can also share in this work through a life of deep prayer - through striving towards a level of intimacy with Jesus that gives me privileged access to his Sacred Heart. This is what Therese knew so well, and this is why she is Patroness of the Missions. Her wanting to be united with Christ is not just for her own spiritual enrichment. It has a strongly missionary focus; its purpose is that, through being intimately united with Christ, her life *may be fruitful in the service of God's kingdom*. No matter how hard she may work for the Kingdom, without this union with Christ there is only barrenness and sterility. And it follows that the more intimately she is 'in Christ' the more fruit will she bear. Here she is echoing clearly the message of Christ in John 15: 1-9; 'I am the Vine, you are the branches ... if you remain in me you will bear much fruit ... cut off from me you can do nothing'.

Fr. Frank