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The parish operates within Statutory Safeguarding Guidance, and the National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times.

Services & intentions to 28th. January, 24.

Sunday 21st. 10.00. *3rd Sunday Year B.*

Michael Brennan. Kieran Lavin
Joe Lloyd. Mary Gately.

Friday 26th. 10.00. Bonnie Lynch.

Sunday 28th. 10.00.

Kevin Fitzpatrick. Patrick Lynch
Peter Joyce.

Parish Mass Book. Page 129+

Entrance antiphon- solo sung

Penitential Rite C, page 8.

Psalm. Sung . Response beginning and end

Gospel acclamation- sung.

Holy Holy and Lamb of God – sung.

Organ voluntaries and Hymns

Eternal source of life divine. Handel.

560. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

238. Hail queen of heaven, the ocean star.

Lullaby. Vierne.

602. Praise my soul the king of heaven

18th C. Fugue in C Anon.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Event.

There is a service on Thursday 25th January beginning at 7.00pm at St Dunstan's Church, Kings Heath Duration- approx. 1 hour with refreshments afterwards. All welcome to attend.

Trustee Vacancies: St Mary's College, Oscott.

Oscott College is the diocesan seminary which forms men for the priesthood and diaconate from England, Wales, Scotland and further afield. The College is looking for up to 10 additional trustees over the next couple of years, due to immanent retirements and also to help increase the expertise and diversity of the board. No experience of trusteeship necessary and the successful candidates would be invited to a board meeting as a guest in February before being appointed.

Deadline for applications- Wednesday 31 January.

See under "Jobs and Volunteering" on the diocesan website

St. Agatha's Church, Sparkbrook. B11 1QT.

Patronal Festival Mass for St Agatha on Saturday 3rd February at 4.00pm. The church is on the Stratford Road so only limited parking in front of church on the road.

Of your charity, please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Father Alexander John (Sandy) Brown, Retired Priest of the Archdiocese, who died on Tuesday 9 January 2024 at the age of 83.

Fr Sandy was ordained on 12 April 1969 and served in Saltley, Coventry and Redditch. He then became chaplain at Keele University before being appointed as parish priest of Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford, in 1985 and then of St Giles, Cheadle, in 2003.

He retired to Aston Hall in 2016 and moved to Oulton Abbey in 2023.

We pray for Fr Sandy's family, his friends, his former parishioners and all who mourn him.

May he Rest in Peace.