

## **Parish News & Notices**

**The Seventeenth Sunday of the year:** This Sunday invites us to consider the Kingdom of heaven as a treasure in life.

**St. Osburg's Church is open for Public Masses and Confessions:** Those who would like to come for the Masses should book by calling or sending text messages to the Parish Priest. The Sunday obligation is still suspended, please choose any day in the week to come for Mass. **All who come for the Mass must wear face masks, it is compulsory.**

**Collecting Contact Details:** All those who come to church are required to give their names and phone numbers for NHS track and trace, it is government directive. They will be kept safely by the Parish Priest.

**Mass and Confessions programme at St. Osburg's Church:** From 11th July, please follow the programme below: Saturday @ 5.30pm Public Mass  
Sunday @ 11.30am Public Mass  
Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday @ 12.10pm Public Mass  
Monday to Friday @ 12.10pm Livestreamed Mass.  
Saturday @ 11.45am Livestreamed Mass  
Monday and Thursday @ 12:45pm -1:30pm Confessions

**Time: On the day of public Masses, the church opens at 11:30am, Sunday at 11am and Saturday 5pm. Please note the time. Confessions' days at 12:45pm**

**Candles:** Please ask the stewards to light the candles for you, do not touch them.

**Baptism:** You can book for Baptism, but only 15 people will be expected for the service.

**Gift Aid envelopes:** Please pick your Gift Aid envelopes at the exit from the steward. Those who would like to be included in the scheme, please pick a form at the exit, fill it and send it back to the presbytery addressed to the treasurer.

**Updated Webcam Camera:** Dear parishioners this is to inform you, that the Webcam Camera has been upgraded. Please click on **MCN MEDIA—ST. OSBURG'S**

**The Parish New Contacts:** The Parish has a new Website link <https://www.stosburg.org.uk> Email address: [pp.stosburg@gmail.com](mailto:pp.stosburg@gmail.com)

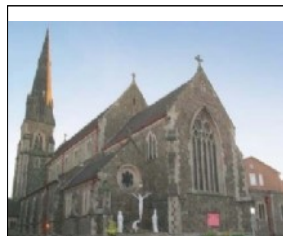
**Fr. Sunday Evaristus:** Due to the commitment to serve at the University Hospital Chaplaincy, he will have less time in the parish. We continue to pray for his mother **Odilia Takyombweine (RIP)** who died recently.

**Devotions:** The Rosary takes place after the daily masses in the church (this time it is suspended, but done individually). Eucharistic Adoration is on Friday and Saturday. Vespers and Benediction are on the First Thursday of every month and on the Last Sunday of every month. Please note that these devotions are on livestream, please follow them on the webcam. The next Benediction will be on 6th August 2020. They will all be live streamed not communal celebrations.

**Fundraising resources: Parish Hall:** As our Parish Hall and Kitchen have been improved, I encourage you and your friends to come and use it for your parties or ceremonies (Birthday, Anniversaries, Graduations, Weddings, Rehearsals for drama/music, Meetings and any others). For Hall hire, please call **Angelo Rodrigues on 07886456952. Due to Covid-19 pandemic, all the bookings are suspended.**

**The Catholic Universe: Please pay for the copy (£1.50)**

**The parish hall and Foyer** are not to be opened for any gathering until we get directives from Diocese.



**St. Osburg's**



**A.J Missions**



**St Mary's**



**St Elizabeth's**

### **Parish Newsletter – Seventeenth Sunday 26th July 2020**

#### **“THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE A TREASURE “**

In life's journey, we constantly make choices for better things. Human relationships are established by making choices. Above everything else is the fundamental choice we make to belong to the kingdom of heaven which is an invitation open to all people. The kingdom of heaven invites us to the spiritual yearning to follow God's will. We are expected to practice the gospel values of love, peace, justice, patience, generosity, honesty, faithfulness, and holiness as members of the Mystical Body Christ (the Church).

Today we celebrate the 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday. The readings invite us to consider the Kingdom of heaven as a treasure in life. Living according to the demands of the kingdom heaven requires total surrender and sacrifice of what we consider to be valuable in our natural terms. Jesus said, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.' The invitation to be in the kingdom of heaven points to happiness and joy because of the eternal value. It cannot be compared to the material comforts that we possess today. Again, it is like fine pearl of great value, one sells everything one owns to buy it. As Christians, we are invited to make choices for the values of life that draw us closer to the path of sanctity. We should strive to avoid occasions that obstruct our vision of the heavenly kingdom such as anger, unforgiveness, prejudice, pride, lack of charity and distrust. We should pray for divine wisdom just as King Solomon did in the first reading, 'Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil'. We need to pray over our daily decisions and choices to meet the requirements of the kingdom of heaven.

***Fr. Pontius Bandua***

### The Most Holy Sacrament and St. Osburg

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**Asst. Fr. Sunday AJ**

**Parish Sisters:** Sr. Philomena and Sr. Teresa (PBVM)

**Parish Safeguarding Representative:** Anne Collins 024 7667 0304

**St. Osburg's Primary School**, Upper Hill Street Coventry CV1 4AP.

Tel 024 7622 7165

**Headteacher:** Mrs Nicola Rynott.

#### St. Mary & St. Benedict R.C Church

52a, Raglan Street Coventry, CV1 5QF. Tel 024 7625 8901

www.ssmaryandbenedict.org.uk

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#### St. Elizabeth's R.C. Church

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Parish priest: Fr. Moses Pitya David AJ

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#### Parish Income

**Gift aid:** £    **Loose:** £    **Total** £

**Candles:** £    **Restoration:** £

**Heating:** £    **Donations:** £

**Rent:** £

**Donation and support.** I would like to thank all those who have supported the church with generous donations during this difficult time. Thank you and may God bless you

**The appeal of the Parish Priest:** Dear parishioners, I encourage you to bring your weekly offertory collections of the last four months this time when you come for the public Masses. At the same time you can make your weekly offertory collection on any day of the week when you come for Mass. Please place it in the box at the exit. Thank you for supporting the Church.

#### 300 Club July Draws Winners

First prize: 481    B. Kennedy    Second Prize: 131    E. Collins

Third prize: 424    G. Martin    Fourth Prize: 262    E. Walsh

Congratulations to the winners! Any queries, contact Ann Fenton on 024 7659 9544

***The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Reg. Charity No. 234216***

Hearing Aid Users—Please switch your hearing aid to 'T'

#### MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEK 26TH JULY–2ND AUGUST 2020

Sat	25	11:45am	Clare Connor (Sp int.)
		05:30pm	Odilia Takyombweine (RIP)
			<b>Maisie Fell (RIP)</b>
Sun	26	11:30am	Martin Brennan (RIP)
			Fr. David ( Ord. Ann.)
			People of the Parish
Mon	27	12:10pm	Martin Brennan (RIP)
			Holy Souls
Tue	28	12:10pm	Julianna & Darwen (Sp.int.)
Wed	29	12:10pm	Holy Souls
			McEnaney Family intentions
Thurs.	30	12:10pm	Holy Souls
Fri	31	12:10pm	Holy Souls
Sat	01	11:45am	Holy Souls
		05:30pm	<b>Maisie Fell (RIP)</b>
			Holy Souls
Sun	02	11:30am	Jacinta Mascarenhas (RIP)
			People of the Parish

#### Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

##### Saturday

**05:30** (R) Ann F & Bernadette  
(E)

##### Sunday

**11.30am:**(R) Janet & Frank  
(E) Maria

**Please pray for those who are sick in the parish:** We pray for all the sick in the parish, asking God to be with them in their need.

**Death Announcement: Maisie Fell** died suddenly on 21st July 2020. She was a faithful and devoted member of St. Osburg's, coming to 5:30pm Mass every Saturday and also daily Mass. Maisie led the Angelus before daily Mass and was always present at Vespers. Maisie saved her change for CAFOD and on the day before she died brought her collection to Sr. Philomena. May the Angelus take her to home in Heaven.

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:**

John Leggale and Peter Noel Gostautas