

Parish News & Notices

Fourth Sunday of Lent year B: The readings remind us to reflect on God's love, mercy and compassion. We are expected to love and be compassionate with each other, like our Heavenly Father.

The Pastoral Letter of the Archbishop: Please pick a copy for further reading.

Every Friday of Lent, we shall have the Stations of the Cross in the church at 6:00pm. You are encouraged to follow on the webcam, if you are able, please come to the church.

The public Masses: Public Masses started on Wednesday 2nd December 2020. You are expected to strictly follow the regulations of safety. The Sunday obligation is still suspended, please choose any day in the week to come for Mass. **All who come for Mass must wear face masks as it is compulsory.**

Mass and Confessions programme at St. Osburg's Church:

From 2nd December 2020, please follow the programme below:

Saturday @ 5.30pm Public Mass

Sunday @ 11.30am Public Mass

Wednesday/Friday @ 12.10pm Public Mass

Monday to Friday @ 12.10pm Livestreamed Mass.

Saturday @ 11.45am. Livestreamed Mass

Confessions: Monday and Thursday @ 12:45pm-1:30pm

Change in weekday Masses: Due to the present situation, we have reduced the weekday public Masses to two; **Wednesdays** and **Fridays**. Tuesday we shall not have public Mass until the situation improves. The weekend Masses remain as usual.

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 a government directive. The details will be kept safely by the Parish Priest.

Booking for Palm Sunday & Easter Sunday Masses: Due to the regulations and the capacity of our church, you are expected to book for the Masses: Palm Sunday three Masses; Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday: 9:30am & 11:30am. Easter Sunday: 9:30am & 11:30am. Please sign your names on the papers at the back of the church or you send me a message on phone or in the parish email. Thank you.

The Sacrament of Baptism: Due to the present situation, programme for the baptism of babies has been suspended until further notice.

Parish Projects: The church spire repair works have been completed. Next month the work to repair the church gutters will commence. You are expected to make generous contributions to support this project to maintain our historical church.

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.sto-cov.org.uk> Email address: pp.stosburg@gmail.com

Heating the church: As we are in the cold season, I request for your usual support for the heating of the church.

Devotions: The Rosary takes place after the daily masses in the church (at this time it is suspended, but prayed individually at home). 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.

Fundraising resources: Parish Hall: For Hall hire, please call **Angelo Rodrigues on 07886456952, bookings allowed for special cases only, maximum 15 people. Social events not allowed.**

Happy Mothers' Day !!!!



St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

Parish Newsletter –Fourth/Laetare Sunday of Lent year B 14th March 2021

“ GOD LOVED THE WORLD SO MUCH THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY SON”

Most often, it is out of love that human societies and organisations can meaningfully show endurance. Human relationships can be strengthened, if true love is cultivated and promoted. A true love calls for self-emptying or sacrifice of what is most cherished by one person for the good of the other. To reach this level of understanding, we need divine wisdom as taught by Our Lord Jesus. The Lord teaches, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' (Mk12:31). In our lives, a neighbour is anyone who needs our attention in any form.

Today, we celebrate the 4th the Sunday of Lent or the Laetare Sunday. The readings focus on God's love, mercy and compassion. The readings also remind us of the infinite love of God in Jesus Christ. 'Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life'(Jn3:16). God invites everyone to listen to His beloved Son and know that eternal salvation is open to all, it is a free gift. Our response to the Lord's invitation is to avoid works of darkness such as injustice, pride, hatred and unforgiveness. We are called to promote peace, love and righteousness. The Lord loves us even if we try to ignore His ways. In the first reading, 2 Chronicles 36:14, He sends messengers after messengers to remind the Israelites of their infidelity. In our times, these messages are received through the Holy Scriptures, the teachings of the Church and the Sacraments. Saint Paul said, 'God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy, when we were dead through our sins.' Sin generates violence, bitterness and hatred. We are called to live by truth and the light of sanctity. We should love everyone without reservation, in the same way that the Lord loves us. We can reach this level harmony in our lives if have true repentance, intensive prayer and a generous attitude. May we renew our lives, as we reflect upon the Cross. The Cross on which the only begotten Son of God generously gave up his life to save the world from the darkness of evil.



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Parish Income

Gift aid: £ Loose: £ Total £

Candles: £ Restoration: £ Piety stall £

Heating: £ Donations: £ Hall hire: £

Rent: £ Cafod: £

Donate your support/weekly collections to the parish online: Go to the parish website and click on the page <https://sto-cov.org.uk/donate/>

Donation and support. I would like to thank all those who have supported the church with generous donations during this difficult time. I would like to encourage you make more donations as we prepare to repair the gutters of the church due next month. Thank you and may God bless you.

The appeal of the Parish Priest: Dear parishioners, make your weekly offertory collection on any day you visit the church. Please place it in the box at the exit. Thank you for supporting the Church.

Offertory please place your offertory collections in the boxes as you exit the church. Thank you.

Easter Flowers: You are requested to make donations for Easter flowers in the basket at the back of the church. Thank you.

300 Club February 2021 Draws Winners

First prize: 23 C Jones

Second Prize: 87 C Wilson

Third prize: 115 M Southern

Fourth Prize: 262 E Walsh

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 14TH –21ST MARCH 2021

Sat	13	11:45am	Owen Gibson RIP Leonard & William Craven sp intentions
		05:30pm	Davey Reilly RIP Jude & Charles sp intentions Patricia Fahey RIP
Sun	14	11:30am	People of the Parish Tress Clark birthday int Brigid Tubbritt birthday intentions
Mon	15	12:10pm	Joan Ryan intentions Stuart Grafton intentions
Tue	16	12:10pm	Nuala Kelly 2nd Anniversary Davis family intentions
Wed	17	12:10pm	Denis Tynan intentions Marian McCleary RIP
Thur	18	12:10pm	Deceased members of Davis & Kennedy family McCleary family intentions John Ryne Anniv RIP
Fri	19	12:20pm	McKiernan family intentions Kath Bradley RIP Hobbs family intentions
Sat	20	11:45am	Anthony Edward's RIP Elizabeth Cole sp intentions
		05:30pm	James Jonjan anniv Richard Walker RIP Aymond MacClarance RIP
Sun	21	11:30am	James Camphill RIP John Annie Phelan Anniv. People of the parish

Saturday
05:30

Maria & Bernadette

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers
Sunday

11.30am:

Janet & Frank

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.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Nuala Kelly, Mary Anne Mc Conville, Angela Gaffney, Annie Lynch, Anthony Francis Edward, Nicolina Buonopane, Anne Howe & Mary Teresa Fallon.