

Parish News & Notices

Fifth Sunday of Lent, year B: The readings draw our attention to the Paschal Mystery. We are invited to reflect on the sufferings of Christ for our eternal salvation.

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
No confessions on 22nd March, but they will be on Tuesday 23rd National day of prayer; Church will be opened from 9:00am -11:00am & 1:00Pm – 3:00pm

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.

Note: Livestreaming Mass on Monday 22/03/2021 will be at 10:00am

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.

Easter Triduum; Holy Thursday: Lord's Supper at 7:00Pm, **Good Friday:** Passion of the Lord at 3:00pm and **Easter Vigil:** 7:30 pm. Note, you do not need to book for Easter Triduum liturgies.

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.**



St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

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“ALTHOUGH HE WAS SON, HE LEARNT TO OBEY THROUGH SUFFERING”

As we approach the Holy Week, our reflections deepen on the Paschal Mystery. Lord Jesus Christ prepares the disciples to understand the true meaning of his mission in the world. When asked by the disciples to meet some Greeks who had come for the festival he said, 'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified'. He also explained to them the meaning of his impending death, by saying 'Unless a wheat of grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains a single grain, but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest' (Jn12:24). His death on the cross established an eternal covenant between God and humanity. A new covenant of love, peace and faith. He was obedient through suffering and death in order to accomplish the eternal plan of God. As Christians, we are invited to deepen our understanding of God's love during this week which leads us to the events of the Holy Week.

Today, we celebrate the 5th Sunday of Lent. The readings draw our attention to the Paschal Mystery. The eternal covenant between God and humanity was established by the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Prophet Jeremiah had predicted it several centuries previously, when he said, 'I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah...' (Jer31:31). In the Letter to the Hebrews, it is mentioned that although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering. The excerpts from these readings instruct us and enable us to understand the meaning of suffering and death in our Christian vocation. Suffering, pain, loss and even death should not separate us from the love of God. Any follower of Christ is prone to suffering. We are therefore encouraged not to consider suffering as an end, but a way to a better future. As it is said, 'there is light at the end of the tunnel.' For Christians there is victory after the cross. When Christ prayed that his soul was troubled, a voice came from heaven saying 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again'. The Lord listens to our prayers just as He listened to His Beloved Son. May we learn to be patient and committed to the Lord during the challenges of life. Let us learn to obey God's will amidst our suffering.



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Parish Income

Gift aid: £186 **Loose:** £ 297.87 **Total £ 486.86**

Candles: £ 88.35 **Restoration:** £ 94.35 **Piety stall** £9.0

Heating: £26.50 **Donations:** £170 **Hall hire:** £180.00

Rent:£200.00 **Cafod:**£55.00 **Easter Followers** £86.59

Above is the income of two weeks , thank you for your generosity

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 March 2021 Draws Winners

First prize: 28 G Trickett

Second Prize: 446 A Murphy

Third prize: 296 T O'Brien

Fourth Prize: 14 N Foster

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

MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEK 21ST-28TH MARCH 2021

Sat	20	11:45am	Anthony Edward RIP Elizabeth Cole Sp intentions
		05:30pm	James Jonjan Anniv. RIP Richard Walker RIP Aymond MacClarence RIP
Sun	21	11:30am	James Camphill RIP John Annie Phelan Ann People of the Parish
Mon	22	12:10pm	Mary Brendan Neil (get well) Patsy Keogh Birthday intention
Tue	23	12:10pm	John & Tory Glenn intentions Joyce Evans sp intentions
Wed	24	12:10pm	Margaret Mary Caines RIP Emily Doran Birthday memorial Caroline Gray RIP
Thur	25	12:10pm	Ann Nestor intentions Maria Butler RIP Deceased priests
Fri	26	12:20pm	Shandulani Mathumo & Misha Tomlison family thanksgiving Walter Scott RIP
Sat	27	11:45am	Ada & Maurice Baker (get well) Mary Tuley RIP
		05:30pm	Mary Byrne RIP James O'Callaghan RIP
Sun	28	9:30am	Thanksgiving for good exam results. John Murphy RIP
		11:30am	People of the Parish

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday

05:30

Ann E & Bernadette

Sunday

11.30am:

Janet & Joan

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: John Murphy died recently, we pray for him and the family.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Mary Teresa Fallon & Ellen Walsh

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