

Parish News & Notices

19th Sunday of the ordinary time year B: The theme of the readings invites us to reflect on the mystery of the Holy Eucharist, the heavenly banquet, the food of the Angels. We are invited to model our life according to the values of the Holy Eucharist we receive.

Message from the Archbishop, as by the Bishops' Conference on Step 4 of the Government's Covid-19 response roadmap with effect from Monday 19th July; *Sunday – it is our Day* which says, "It is our continuing judgement, therefore, that it is not possible at the present time for all of the faithful to attend Mass on a Sunday thus fulfilling their duty to God. It is hoped that it will be possible for all Catholics in England and Wales to fulfil this most important Church precept, that of the Sunday Obligation, by the First Sunday in Advent 2021. In the meantime, all Catholics are asked to do their best to participate in the celebration of the weekly Sunday Mass and to reflect deeply on the centrality of Sunday worship in the life of the Church."

Caution

At this stage, it is important for us all to remember that although legislation is being relaxed, the pandemic is not yet over and there continues to be a duty of care for all who use our churches and other facilities. The guidance therefore seeks to ensure that, where opportunity permits, there is some degree of relaxation but there remains **a cautious approach that encourages the continuation of social distancing, mask wearing and daily cleaning where these help to minimise risk and provide comfort and confidence to our people.** What is important is that the emphasis is now on the corporate endeavour of all involved in our church life to maintain the exemplary good practice that has been exhibited over the past 15 months in our churches whilst moving into a freer expression of our church life, worship and mission.

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. **Weekday Masses have resumed as usual:** Monday /Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday /Friday @ 12.10pm Public Mass Saturday @ 11.45am. All Masses are live streamed. **Confessions: Thursday & Saturday after Mass**

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.

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 NOTE: This Church live streams Mass and other events.**

The Parish New Contacts: The Parish has a new Website link <https://www.stos-cov.org.uk>

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GUTTER REPAIR WORKS COMPLETED

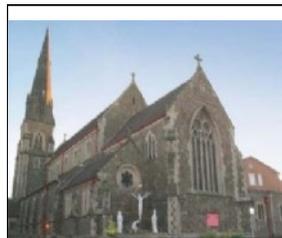
Your support is still required to meet the cost. We thank all those who continue to make generous donations to support this work.

Devotions: The Rosary takes place after the daily masses in the church. 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.

Piety Stall: Please visit the piety stall to buy some sacramentals.

Fundraising resources: Parish Hall: For Hall hire, please call **Angelo Rodrigues on 07886456952, bookings allowed, maximum 50% of the capacity.**

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St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

Parish Newsletter – 19th Sunday of Ordinary time year B 08th August 2021

"I AM THE BREAD THAT CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN" (Jn6:41)

Due to the basic significance of material bread for sustenance of life, we continue to reflect on the spiritual bread necessary for our integral life. All positive human endeavours point to a happy and meaningful life but are expected to be based on the eternal values as given by the Eternal Father. For example, the Church teaches 'Christians engaged actively in modern economic and social progress and in the struggle for justice and charity must be convinced that they have much to contribute to the prosperity of mankind and to the world peace...' (*Gaudium et Spes*, 72). The earthly activities, formulated in reference to the Gospel of Christ, give hope and nourishment to the hungry citizens of the countries in the world. In today's gospel, the Lord said, 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for life of the world' (Jn6:51). The forementioned excerpt underpins the importance of Jesus' life and is a message for the meaning survival of the world.

Today, we celebrate the 19th Sunday. The readings draw our attention to the mystery of the Holy Eucharist. We are invited to reflect on the loving presence of God in life's journey during all the challenges and joys that we experience. In the first reading from first book of Kings, prophet Elijah had given up all hope of life when he was rescued by an Angel of Lord. At a certain stage of his journey, while running away from the danger posed by queen Jezebel, prophet Elijah complained, 'Lord' he said "I have had enough. Take my life..." (1kgs19:4). It was at that point that the Lord gave him bread and water to regain his energy for the journey. A similar situation is echoed in today's gospel, when Jesus said, he is the bread of life, many people complained and rejected his message. It was because they refused to listen to the prompting of the Holy Spirit and were instead following their human dictates of reasoning. Such could be our situation in the modern world. The authentic doctrinal teachings of the Church on sanctity of life and family are questioned and rejected by many people today. Everything is almost considered on a secular or material level. Little attention is given to spiritual needs and yet these are much more central to achieving any stability of life. We are invited to be spiritually disposed to follow the will of Lord in our life's journey. We are also invited to be friends to each other as Saint Paul mentioned in today's second reading (Eph4:30). At same time, we are called to denounce the evils of society such as bitterness, envy, revenge, anger, malice and slander. As Jesus feeds us with his body and blood, we should promote his teachings on justice, peace, love, forgiveness and friendship.

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Parish Income

Gift aid: £48.00 Loose:£278.00 Total £326.10

Candles: £38.90 Restoration £ Piety stall £

Heating: £02.00 Gutters Gift Aid £220.00 Loose:£230.88 Total £450.88

Rent:£900.00 Cafod £100.00 Papers:£Hall hire£ Mass cards£25.02

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 to make more donations as we have started the repair of the gutters of the church. 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. Thank you for supporting the Church.

Offertory please place your offertory collections in the baskets next to you. Thank you.

300 Club July 2021 Draws Winners

First prize:	104	B. Stundon
Second Prize:	76	B. Armour
Third prize:	144	M. A. Bodkin

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

MASS TIMES DURING 08TH – 15TH AUGUST 2021

Sat 07	11:45am	Derrie Losty (RIP)
	05:30pm	Casey (Get well) Ryan Fenton (RIP)
Sun 08	11:30am	Sacred Heart of Jesus Thanksgiving Mass People of the parish
Mon 09	12:10pm	
Tue 10	12:10am	Fr Sunday Ordination Anniversary
Wed 11	12:10pm	Dinah Bunt (RIP) Mary Coneeley (RIP)
Thur 12	12:10pm	Davis Family Intentions Davis & Kennedy Family (Deceased members)
Fri 13	12:10pm	
Sat 14	11:45am	Reva B'day Int Winnie, Terry RIP & Pat Maloney RIP
	05:30pm	Maureen Lavelle (17th Anniversary RIP) Jenny Raffell B'day Theresa Clarke (40th Anniversary RIP)
Sun 15	11:30am	Adelaide & Aleixo Rodrigues (RIP) Berry Dunleavy (1st Anniversary RIP) People of the Parish

Sacramental preparations: Please call the parish numbers for Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage and RCIA arrangements:

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday

05:30

Bernadette & Ann E

Sunday

11.30am:

Jolan & 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:

Emmanuel Gerard McErlane & Margaret, Mary Bernadette Dunleavy

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