

## Parish News & Notices

**26th Sunday:** Today, we celebrate the 26th Sunday of year B. The readings invite us to be generous and charitable. We are reminded not to judge and condemn anyone, but instead pray for everyone's conversion.

**It is a day of thanksgiving for harvest !!** Please give generously to the Church.

**ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM :** Ethnic Chaplaincies, Eparchies and Missions **ANNUAL INTER-CULTURAL MASS And Social Gathering SATURDAY 16 OCTOBER 12.30pm** St Osburg's Church, Upper Hill Street Coventry CV1 4AQ Celebrant: **Bishop David Evans** and Concelebrants Marking One World Week and World Mission Sunday All are Welcome. Please bring Food from your Country of Origin to Share. A representative of each Chaplaincy, Eparchy and Mission is invited to a preparatory meeting in the Foyer of the **Church Hall on Thursday 7 October at 6pm**. In advance, please let **Mgr McHugh** have sight of the contribution you can make; hymn, music, dance, reading, intercession/Bidding Prayer.

**Family Mass:** Next Sunday 03rd October, will be family Mass animated by the Children of St. Osburg's Primary School.

**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.

**CAFOD:** Family Fast Day is on Friday **1st October**. Remember to support the suffering in the world through **CAFOD**. Pick an envelope at the back of the church. Next Sunday there will be second collection for **CAFOD**.

**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.** MCN livestreaming services are back. Please long on St. Osburg's Church MCN.

**The Parish New Contacts:** The Parish has a new Website link <https://www.sto-cov.org.uk>  
Email address: **stosburg.covty@rcaob.org.uk**  
**fr.pontius.bandua@rcaob.org.uk**

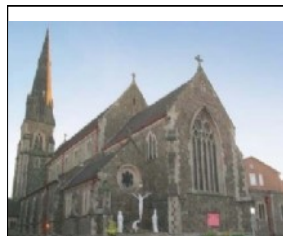
**Installation of new boilers at the Presbytery:>>>>>**

We thank those who have contributed to this project. We expect more contributions to meet the cost.

**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 **Agnelo Rodrigues on 07886456952, bookings allowed, maximum 50% of the capacity.**



St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

## Parish Newsletter 26th Sunday year B 26th September 2021

### 'ANYONE WHO IS NOT AGAINST US IS FOR US!'

A sense of belonging is one of the basic needs of humanity. This rule can also be applied if one identifies with the conventional requirements of any given society or community. The reality of belonging can be seen in family circles, socio-economic patterns and in political organisations. Above everything else, is our religious belonging. As Christians, we should identify with Christ who is our Eternal Teacher and Saviour. Our efforts, struggles and endeavours during this earthly life should prepare us to reach heaven. The Lord Jesus has given us very strong teaching to guide us, including when he said, 'And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than have two hands and go to hell.....' (Mk9:43). If we are to be identified as members of the living Body Christ at all, then we are called upon to regulate our life according to the teachings of Jesus.

Today, we celebrate the 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday. The readings invite us to be generous and charitable. We are called to avoid the dangers of judgement and jealousy which destroy good human relationships and Christian life. In the gospel, Jesus taught the disciples not to stop those who genuinely used his name from performing miracles. For example, he said, 'Anyone who is not against us is for us' (Mk9:40). A similar message is echoed in the first reading, when Joshua and the young man asked Moses to stop the two men from prophesying, and yet they were not among those chosen from the seventy-two elders. Instead, Moses answered 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and Lord gave his Spirit to them all' (Num11:29). These excerpts teach us that the Lord may choose any person to bring his message. We should not despise or overlook anybody. We do not have a monopoly on goodness, but rather it is open to everyone who is disposed in faith. We have been invited to guide against the dangers of an unregulated desire for worldly fame, wealth and pride which do not prepare us for eternal life. In the second reading, Saint James warns us against putting our trust in material wealth which cannot save us. The Gospel teaches that if our eye should cause us to sin, we should pluck it out. On a similar note, we are reminded not to mislead others. We should instead be exemplary, by following the teachings of Christ. To mislead others into sin, is in fact a double sin. These teachings are inviting us to regulate our desires and emotions of pride, selfishness, anger, pleasure, hatred and unforgiveness because they will block our path to sanctity and eternal life. May we reform our attitudes in order to identify with Christ day by day.

**Fr. Pontius**

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#### Parish Income

**Gift aid:£48.40 Loose:£290.08 Total:£388.48**  
**Candles:£60.81 Restoration:£68.00 Piety stall:£6.00**  
**Heating: £6.37 Gutters Gift Aid £ Loose:£ Total: £ Peters Pence: £3.20**  
**Rent:£ Cafod £ Donation:£ Hall hire:£350.00 Mass cards:£**

***The above income is of one week, thank you for your generosity.***

**Today there is Second Collection for Fr. Hudson's Society,** place your collection in the envelopes provided.

**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/>

**The appeal of the Parish Priest:** Dear parishioners, make your weekly offertory collection on any day you visit the church. **Cold season:** Make your contributions to support the heating of the church in the cold season. Thank you for supporting the Church.

**Repairs at the Presbytery:** We request you to support in anyway possible, the boilers at the Presbytery and new camera for live streaming services at the church. Both of the repairs will cost **£6000.00**

**A donation of £1500.00** has been given by a parishioner, I would like to thank the person for the great support for the service of the boilers. More support is required to meet the cost.

#### 300 Club September 2021 Draws Winners

First prize: 181 B Kennedy  
Second Prize: 229 K Coia  
Third prize: 292 T McCampill

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

#### MASS TIMES DURING 26TH SEPT–03RD OCT. 2021

Sat	25	11:45am	Theresa Fernandes Birthday Intention
		05:30pm	Owen Healy (RIP Anniversary) Betty Stapleton (RIP Anniversary)
Sun	26	11:30am	People of the Parish Linda Sp intention
Mon	27	11:30am	<b>Funeral —Elizabeth Ann Hainey RIP</b>
Tue	28	12:10pm	Martin Shally Special intention Shirley Hartnett (RIP) Donnelly & O Conner Family Intentions
Wed	29	12:10pm	Ann Bodkin Sophie Special Intention
Thur	30	12:10pm	John & Tory Glen Intentions Shirley Hartnett (RIP) Lily Hainey (RIP)
Fri	01	12:10pm	Linda Sp intention
Sat	02	11:45am	Jacinta Mascarenhas (RIP)
		05:30pm	
Sun	03	11:30am	Aden Fernandes Birthday Intention Margaret Mc Gee (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**

Ann E & Ann F

##### 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.

**Death announcement:** **Elizabeth Ann Hainey** died recently. Requiem Mass will be on Monday 27th September 2021, at 11:30am We pray for her and for all who mourn.

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

O'Hanlon Annette Veronica, Habtany Afomiya, Patrick Joseph Fallon, McGee Margaret, & James Stephen Bride,

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