

Parish News & Notice

Second Sunday of Ordinary time year B:, the readings invite us to reflect on our vocation to serve God.

Contactless Payment machine: We have the machine for our parish located in our Church. You can make any donations to support our parish by your debit or credit cards on contactless, just as you do in the super markets. Please ask for help to guide you, if you are not sure.

You can also donate on line:



<https://donate.mydona.com/st-osburgs-rc-church> or use the QR code. You can also gift aid all donations.

The Dona Machine can now accept donations, do so on the contactless or on line.

Year of Prayer-2024

Preparing for the Jubilee year 2025

In preparation for the 2025 jubilee year entitled 'Pilgrims of Hope'- 2024 has been designated as a Year of Prayer by Pope Francis. With its focus on 'Our Father', it presents us with a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer. From this 1st Sunday of Advent we are called to renew our faith in prayer.

Mass & Confessions

Weekday Masses @ 12:10pm, except Saturday at 11:45am. : **Weekend Masses** Saturday @ 4.30pm: Sunday @ 11.30am & 6:00pm. **Confessions on, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday after Mass at 12:30pm. No confessions after Vigil Mass on Saturdays.**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays and Saturdays 10:45am to 11:45am, first Thursday and last Sunday of the month 6:00pm. I encourage all parishioners to attend.

Livestream: YouTube: <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/5AOCwuzTdT0OFINBwRwwmBxvtgayKs0BNIK1vZN7> or MCN: <https://mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-osburgs-church-coventry> See website for more information:<https://sto-cov.org.uk/live-streaming/>

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 @ 6pm.

300 CLUB, more members are invited to join it to support the parish, please approach, **Pat C., Maria and Jesuina** to join the club.

All parishioners who have specific roles/ duties: Sacristans, Altar servers, Readers, Extra-ordinary ministers of the Eucharist, Gift collections team, Choir members, Ushers and the rest should inform the Parish Priest through their specific leaders in case of an absence from duty. I request for your sincere cooperation. Dear parents, please support your children who serve at the Altar. Liturgy requires commitment and dedication.

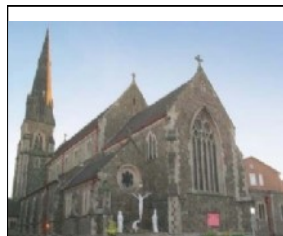
Piety Stall—New items: Mass cards for all occasions. Confirmation cards, Christmas cards and gifts available, plus many other items.

DEANERY PROGRAMME

DEANERY READERS' DAY: 9.30am - 1pm, Sat 20th Jan, Christ the King. Mass, Holy Hour, talks from Fr Marco Egawhary and Fr Stephen Fawcett: **Deanery Day for Eucharist Ministers** 9.30am - 1pm, Sat 9th March, Christ the King. Mass, Holy Hour, talks from Fr Cecil Rogerson and Fr Stephen Fawcett

ALL NIGHT ADORATION - All night adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be taking place at Christ the King Church (Westhill Road, CV6 2AA) from 8pm on Friday 19th January until 6am on Saturday 20th. If you would like to spend an hour with our Eucharistic Lord, please sign up using this link <https://bit.ly/Eucharist-Adoration>, or if you don't have access to the internet, call 07435690556.

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St. Osburg's



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St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

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HERE I AM LORD! I COME TO DO YOUR WILL.

Life is a journey containing two-way traffic, it is comprised of receiving and giving. Therefore, in our web of relationships, we need to speak and listen to what others have to say. Our relationships may be based upon family, business organisations, social affiliations, faith-groups or employer/employee connections. Within all these inter-connections, there should be harmony, respect and dialogue. If the principle of dialogue is ignored, the obvious results will be dissatisfaction, demotivation, squabbles, mistrust and possibly a total break down of the said relationships. Above all is the Divine and human relationship which is a very cordial one. The Lord invites us into a relationship with him and expects a response from us. All through the history of salvation, many figures of the Old Testament were called and they responded with faith and trust in the Lord including Abraham, Moses, Samuel and the prophets. They earned God's favour because of the faith and trust they had in following God's will and they were able to listen. As Christians, we are invited to do God's will, by saying 'Here I am Lord! I come to do your will.' It shows our love for God and dependence on Him, for life and life's needs.

As we celebrate the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary time, the readings invite us to reflect on our vocation to serve God. It calls for our total surrender to listen and obey God's law of love. In the first reading (1Sam3:3-10.19), Samuel was called by the Lord to a greater mission as guided by Eli. Samuel was able to respond appropriately because of the advice he received from Eli. Christian children should listen to their parents for the hope of a brighter future. Christian parents should encourage their children to love the ways of the Lord just as the priest Eli and the parents of Samuel. God has created us to serve him and our fellow human beings with utmost respect. Saint Paul mentions this in the second reading (1Cor6:13-15.17-20), when he says, 'Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God.' We should therefore, spend our lives glorifying God, and not engaging in reckless living. The Gospel (Jn1:35-42), underpins the message of Divine vocation, when John the Baptist introduced Jesus to his disciples by saying, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Jesus later invited the two disciples of John to stay with him. The next day, when Andrew, told his brother Simon Peter, we have found the Messiah, they both followed Jesus. We are called from our different backgrounds to listen to the voice of God and we need other people to guide us so that we can recognise the Lord's voice. Our Christian faith and vocation are collaborative actions. It is a two-way system of growth where we are receiving and giving. May we learn to be more generous and welcoming.

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Safeguarding Statement: *The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is [. They can be contacted at: [safeguarding email] or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 01212306240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.*

Parish Income

Gift aid: £57 Loose £369.57 Dona £77 Total £503.57
Candles £82.31 Church Maintenance £79.41 Crib Money £70.20

Thank you for your generosity .

December 2023 Winners of 300 Club

1st Prize: 058 C Harrison
2nd Prize: 105 T McGee
3rd Prize: 180 J D'Mello

Catholic Herald Magazine is back in our parish: Please buy a copy for reflections on our faith and Church. Each copy is £5.

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

MASS TIMES DURING 14TH-21ST JAN 2024

Sat 13	04:30pm	Dunne family intentions
Sun 14	11:30am	People of the Parish Moran, Michael Nora & family sp int. Dillon Ena. J. & Family sp int. Mary Ruddy sp int.
	06:00	Patrick Murphy RIP
Mon 15	12:10pm	Janet Ward RIP Christine Creek sp int.
Tue 16	12:10pm	Padraig Murray B'day intentions Mark Watts RIP
Wed 17	12:10pm	Patrick Murphy RIP
Thur 18	12:10pm	Mark Watts RIP Pat O'Brien RIP
Fri 19	12:10pm	Patrick Murphy RIP
Sat 20	11:45am	John Bradley RIP Rose (get well)
	04:30pm	Jim & Sean Sullivan RIP
Sun 21	11:30am	Eddie Pender sp int. Mary Veronica Fahey (anniv)
	06:00pm	Patrick Murphy RIP

Sacramental preparations: Please call the parish numbers for Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage and RCIA arrangements: Meeting every Friday from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday: Ann & Bernadette **Sunday:** Maria & Janet

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:

Brady, Michael Robert, Davis Hellen, Hanbury Joan, Convey Bridget Mary, Rodger Geraldine & Brigid Patricia Tubbriitt

New Prayer groups: You are invited to join the prayer groups:

1. **Holy Face of Jesus devotion** . Meetings on every Tuesday at 6:30pm
2. **Bible Study /Prayer Group** : meets on Wednesdays .The meeting starts at 6pm. 3. **Rosa Mystica** on the 13th of every month 2pm to 3pm. 4. **Legion of Mary** Thursday at 6pm.
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