

Parish News & Notice

2nd Sunday—Easter :As we celebrate the 2nd Sunday of Easter, the readings remind us of the Divine infinity, mercy. We are invited to be merciful in our dealings with each others.

Gratitude: Thank you for the Easter gifts and cards for the clergy. May the Lord, bless your intentions.

Sr. Teresa and Sr. Philomena P.B. V.M: There will be thanksgiving Mass for Srs Teresa and Philomena on 13th April at 12:00 Noon. The main celebrant will be Msgr. Tom Farrell. After Mass, we shall have refreshments at the hall, all are welcome.



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.myдона.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.

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 5:00pm. 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.

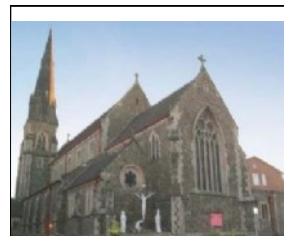
Divine Mercy prayers at St. Mary and St. Benedict church; today Sunday, starts at 2pm. All are welcome.

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, including Easter cards, St. Patrick cards and welcome to Church cards. Statues, Rosary beads, candles plus many other items.

DEANERY PROGRAMME Six sessions of prayerful reflection on Pope Francis first Apostolic Letter "The joy of the Gospel"(Evangelii Gaudium). It will be between Easter and Pentecost at St. Osburg's parish hall Foyer beginning on Monday 8th April 2024 running for six consecutive Monday evenings. Register by calling Barbara McGowan 07528644617 and Paschal Somers 07403625292 by 22nd March.

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St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

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'PEACE AND LOVE'

Peace and love are among the greatest needs of humanity. Life will have its ultimate purpose and gladness if these two elements of human condition are experienced. There will be no peace in the absence of love, and there will be no love without justice and equity. Most importantly for us Christians, when we live with sin our love and peaceful relationship with God and with each other is affected and may be broken. Instead of finding ways to restore such brokenness among us, and with the Lord, we sometimes begin to search for quicker, easier solutions. We may make wrong decisions and decide to trust in self-seeking ambition or avoid constructive advice from the brethren. The first disciples of the Lord had a similar experience of lack of peace and love when their leader was brutally executed on the Cross. They felt dejected and discouraged in life, so they lacked love and peace. To instil courage and assurances for the disciples, the greeting words of the Risen Lord were, 'Peace be with you.' During our lives, each of us needs words of reassurance and peace. Due to our unworthiness and infidelity, we need to gain the peace of Christ in Sacramental Confession. This is a powerful tool for restoration and for regaining our spiritual stability.

As we celebrate the 2nd Sunday of Easter, the readings remind us of the Divine infinity, mercy. We are invited to be merciful in our dealings. In today's Gospel, the Lord Jesus said to the disciples, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive they are forgiven for those who sins you retain they are retained' (Jn20:22-23). This is a loving message and an assurance of the Lord's concern for all, in this worldly environment where we are prone to sin. Saint John said in his first letter, 'Anyone who says he has not sinned is a liar refusing to admit the truth' (1Jn:8-10). All of us are indeed sinners who are seeking God's mercy in life. In the beatitudes, Jesus said, 'Happy are the poor in spirit theirs is the Kingdom of heaven' (Matt5:3). The Lord was merciful to Thomas, who refused to believe. At certain times of our life's journey, we become like Thomas and we refuse to take the advice of people who try to help us. May we be attentive to the truth and convert to live better lives.

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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 [redacted]. 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:£1,225.91 Loose£1,410.47 Dona £1,201.50 Total£3,837.88
Candles£278.04 Church Maintenance£224.47 Good Friday£339.91
Easter 2nd collection for the clergy £230 Hall Hire£170
Rent£450 Easter Monday£232.85 Spon. Walk £470 Collection for seminarians£257

Note that the income report above is that of three (3) weeks.
Thank for your generosity.

The sponsored walk: Paul B and friends raised **£500** from the sponsored walk on Saturday 23rd March. Thank you for the wonderful support for the parish. Be blessed.

March 2024 Winners of 300 Club

1st Prize: 067 R Welsh
2nd Prize: 114 S O'Reilly
3rd Prize: 277 J Higgins

Heating the Church: Please make your donations to keep the church warm in the usual box at the wall. Thank you.

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

VACANCY FOR ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER : *Assistant Headteacher Post for Our Lady of the Wayside Primary School in Shirley. The Closing date 17th April. Please contact the school for more information on 0121 744 6852.*

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

MASS TIMES DURING 7TH –14TH APRIL 2024

Sat 06	04:30pm	Ann Fenton birthday intention Stapleton Deceased members Fiona Lindsay family int.
Sun 07	11:30am	People of the parish Kaidon Sp. Int & Hunter sp int. Hazel get well
	06:00pm	Jim Durkan RIP & Eddie McHugh Thanksgiving for our Lord—Ann Paul O'Grady RIP
Mon 08	12:10m	Ann Gangaran Duggan RIP Key Forest (get well) Theresa Rynne RIP 2nd Anniversary
Tue 09	12:10pm	Damian Murphy RIP Brigid McGrath sp int. Bernadette Moss sp int.
Wed 10	12:10pm	Catherine Cody sp int. The Wilson family sp int. Holy Face prayer group int.
Thur 11	12:10pm	Joseph Trainor Sp int. Sr. Nora Easter intention Aileen & Paddy Easter intentions
Fri 12	12:10pm	John Cassidy (Jnr) RIP Eileen McHugh RIP and Marijan RIP Mulvenna family deceased members .
Sat 13	12:00Nn	Thanksgiving Mass for Sr. Teresa and Sr. Philomena Amy Gorman birthday intention Noel Lindsay birthday intention
	04:30pm	Rurpert's special intentions Alicia Fitzpatrick (get well)
Sun 14	11:30am	People of the parish Michael Naughton RIP John Bradly RIP
	06:00pm	Patsy Keogh Easter intentions. Cora Lanigan Birthday intention

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: Sunday:

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:

McCarthy Edward, Theresa Patricia Rynne, & Joan Lucas Fitzsimons

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** : meetings will resume until notified. 3. **Rosa Mystica** on the 13th of every month 2pm to 3pm. 4. **Legion of Mary** Thursday at 6pm.

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