

Parish News & Notice

6th Sunday of Easter : As we celebrate the 6th Sunday of Easter, the readings continue to draw our attention to reflect upon the greatest theological virtue of Love.

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.

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/5AOCwuzTdTOOFINBwRwwmBxvtqayKs0BNIK1vZN7> 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.

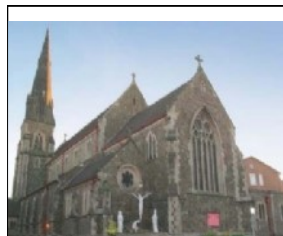
300 CLUB, more members are invited to join it to support the parish, please approach, **Pat C., Maria and Jesuina** to join the club.

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, 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



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St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

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'LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU'

Love is the principal of life. God created us out His infinite love and has saved us through His beloved Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by his death on the cross. If we know God's ways then we live in love. To love anyone is to live in God. Saint John states that God is love (1Jn4:8). The love God has for us is relational and it is a Divine-human relationship promoting our common good as His creation. The love of God is permanent and eternal. Saint Thomas Aquinas explains love as 'The choice to will the good of the other.' This explains the reason for God's love for us. It is to save us through the passion and death of Jesus Christ. He saved us from slavery to sin and evil. Our redemption has been possible through the sacrificial love that Jesus showed for sinful humanity through his death on the cross. What should be our response to this Divine love and mercy? As his children, we should show true love to everyone regardless of their origin and background. Saint Peter confirmed God's love for everyone by saying 'The truth I have now come to realize,' he said, is that God does not have favorites....' (Acts10:25).

As we celebrate the 6th Sunday of Easter, the readings continue to draw our attention to reflect upon the greatest theological virtue of Love. If our actions and thoughts are directed to promote the good of our brothers and sisters, we can then truly be called children of God. It will be unfortunate if we continue to experience, disunity, resentment, anger, favoritism, gossip, and greed. If there is injustice in any form, or lack of respect for other members of our communities, we should be aware that the evil one has taken over our directions in life. In today's gospel the Lord reminds us to love one another as he says, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love..." (Jn15:9). Our day-to-day efforts should be to promote others. This should begin with our families and all those people we meet in life. We should be able to see the image of God in the other person and treat them with sincere respect. Let our pride and ego give way to show our love for everyone.

Fr. Pontius Bandua AJ



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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: £230 Loose £345.72 Dona £202 Total £777.72

Candles £69.13 Church Maintenance £112.98

Hall Hire £ Rent £450 Piety Stall £60

Thank you for your generosity.

April 2024 Winners of 300 Club

1st Prize: 377 T McGee

2nd Prize: 428 J Rodrigues

3rd Prize: 533 A Fenton

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.

20th April 2024 Letter from the Sisters Teresa & Philomena

*Dear Father Pontius, Father Sunday, Parishioners and Friends, it is with deep gratitude that we write these words to you. We thank you very, very sincerely for the celebration last Saturday. The very meaningful Liturgy spoke all the words we want to say. Thank you for this and thanks for the celebration which followed. It was such a joy to see everybody, although this joy was mingled with feelings of great loneliness and sadness. We will treasure forever the friendship of each one of you down through the years. No words can describe our deep sense of gratitude to each one. Thank you for your Masses, prayers, gifts, flowers and good wishes. Above all we thank you for your friendship, loyalty and the gift of being together in so many different ways over the years. We will treasure the memory of your love, of your support and of us being together in this wonderful journey we have shared. This is the greatest gift – the gift of journeying together as a praying and loving community. We continue to support each other in our prayer in constant remembrance. May Jesus, the Good Shepherd hold you all safely in His arms. Yours gratefully **Sister Philomena and Sister Teresa** Presentation Convent Chesterfield Road Matlock Derbyshire DE4 3FT*

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

MASS TIMES DURING 05TH -12TH MAY 2024

Sat 04	04:30pm	Mary Brogan sp int. Pat & Pam int.
Sun 05	11:30am	People of the Parish Teresa Davis sp int. Marge & Mai sp int.
	06:00pm	Thanksgiving for Blanche Pinto Special int. for Blanche Pinto Mrs A. Mulvenna RIP
Mon 06	12:10pm	Thanksgiving for Blanche Pinto Thomas Pinto RIP
Tue 07	12:10pm	Thomas Pinto RIP Maurice Doran Sr. Teresa sp int.
Wed 08	12:10pm	Alec sp. Int. Lilian & Phil Ledridge (get well) Mai Carr (get well)
Thur 09	12:10pm	Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of obligation)
Fri 10	12:10pm	
Sat 11	11:45am	
	04:30pm	
Sun 12	11:30am	
	06:00pm	

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: 6:00pm—Vivien / Marie**

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

Mary Patricia Campbell, McKinney Kathleen, Mary Margaret O'Neill, & Thomas Martin Ryan

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.

Pilgrimage to Walsingham on 25th May: Please more room for seats in the couch at St. Elizabeth Parish, call Annet on 07903070940 for booking.