

## Parish News & Notice

**Pentecost Sunday:** Today, we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost. We are reminded of the birthday of the Church. It was due to the descent and the power of the Holy Spirit that the disciples gained courage to proclaim the message of the Gospel of Christ.

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

**Survive—Miva appeal:** The Missionary vehicle Association will make their appeal for fund raising in our parish next weekend, please support them in their missionary 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 @ 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.

### Reading rota June-Oct 2024

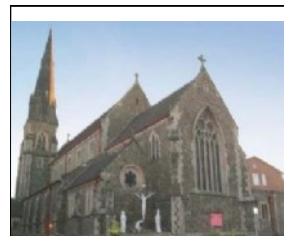
Readers thank you for your ministry. Please collect the latest reading rota from the sacristy.

**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.

**ADORATION & BENEDICTION every Sunday at 5:00PM;** please come and join us.

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St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

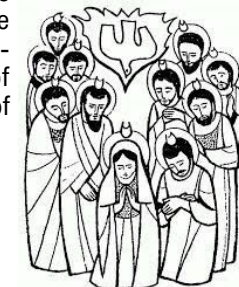
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### 'RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT'

The Apostles were encouraged by the gracious words of Jesus when he said, 'And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you' (Jn14:16). During our journey of life, we need some assurance and support from members of our family or from members of the community to which we belong. The foundation of the Church would have been very difficult for the disciples if it were not for the power of the Holy Spirit, as promised to them by our Lord Jesus Christ. On the day of Pentecost, fifty days after the resurrection of the Lord, they received supernatural power to face the challenges of the day and to proclaim the Gospel of Christ boldly. At first, despite his occasional appearances, the disciples were still in great fear and others like Thomas doubted. It wasn't until Pentecost day, when they were spiritually energized that they retrogressively understood what the Lord had told them. It is also relevant to us, in modern times, to internalize the living presence of the Holy Spirit in our sacramental commitment. This will enable us to understand ourselves and the world we live in. We should be aware of the evil of the modern persecution of our faith in God, such as religious indifferences, digital distractions, busy lives and scientific skepticism. Unless we are guided by the Holy Spirit we can lose the track of meaningful living.

Today, we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost. We are reminded of the birthday of the Church. It was due to the descent and the power of the Holy Spirit that the disciples gained courage to proclaim the message of the Gospel of Christ. 'On Pentecost day the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise which filled the whole house, ..... something like tongues of fire rested on each of them. They were filled with Holy Spirit...' (Act2:1-11). The Holy Spirit directs our thoughts, encourages us and gives us knowledge if we are open to His promptings. Saint Paul says, No one can say 'Jesus is the Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit' (1Cor12:3). Today's Gospel (Jn20:19-23) gives more understanding of the presence of the Holy Spirit within the Church, when the Lord Jesus says 'Receive the Holy Spirit, for those whose sins you forgive they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained'. May we, therefore, renew our reverence and devotion to sacramental commitment which we receive through the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit. We should always say, "Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts of thy faithful and enkindle in them thy fire of love..."

*Fr. Pontius Bandua AJ*



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**Headteacher:** Mrs Nicola Rynott.

**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](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.*

#### **Parish Income**

**Gift aid£:60.50 Loose£522.50 Dona£105.50 Total£688.50**  
**Candles£85.43 Church Maintenance£106.03**  
**Hall Hire£630 Rent£450 Piety Stall£40 2nd Collection£192.65**

*Thank you for your generosity.*

*Next Sunday there will be second collection for **SURVIVE– MIVA***

#### **April 2024 Winners of 300 Club**

**1st Prize: 377 T McGee**  
**2nd Prize: 428 J Rodrigues**  
**3rd Prize: 533 A Fenton**

**Maintenance of the Church:** Please make your donations to maintain the church in the usual box at the wall. Thank you.

**Apostles of Jesus Missionaries Support UK**, is a **Registered Charity (No. 1205905)**, in England and Wales with the purpose of giving financial support to young men above 18 years who wish to become missionary priests and Brothers. The dwindling number of priests is a great concern for every Catholic who loves his/her faith. While there are few vocations in the West, God is inspiring many youth from other parts of the world to offer their lives as missionaries. It is these that we ask for your support. You can become a missionary without leaving your home by sponsoring a seminarian to become a missionary priest. His Grace the Archbishop of Birmingham has authorised the Apostles of Jesus to **take two Second collections** in the parishes where they serve every year for the training of their seminarians. These will be **taken on 9th June and 10th November** respectively. **Fr. Jimmy Lutwama AJ, P.P St. Mary & Benedict. 07906124756**

**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 19TH –26TH MAY 2024**

Sat 18	04:30pm	Deceased members of Ruddy family Maura & Denis Mulchy sp int. Alison RIP
Sun 19	11:30am	People of the parish Tom and Maureen RIP
	06:00pm	Mrs Karekla, Mrs M Pickering & Mr J Pickering sp int. Cynthia Mbah sp int.
Mon 20	12:10pm	Rodolfo Rojas birthday intention. Margaret Brennan birthday intention
Tue 21	12:10pm	
Wed 22	12:10pm	Thanksgiving for marriage of Agnelo & Evete Pereira
Thur 23	12:10pm	Barbara O'Donnell RIP & Owen O'Donnell RIP
Fri 24	12:10pm	Anne Walker 1st Anniv. RIP Michael Kerry & Mary Kate Kelly RIP Brendan Butler sp int.
Sat 25	12:00Nn	Wedding Anniverasy for Evete & Agnelo.
	04:30pm	Angela Jordan RIP Thomas Pinto RIP
Sun 26	11:30am	People of the Parish Evete Pereira birthday int. & thanksgiving.
	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**

Beckett L Joseph, Patricia McCarthy, Kassadie M Conway, Mary Bridget Dooley, Angela Jordan, Kennedy M Rose, Peter J Edward & Sheila Mary Cooper

#### **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.