

## Parish News & Notice

**15th Sunday/Sea Sunday:** Today we celebrate the 15th Sunday. The readings remind us of our Christian responsibility for transmitting the faith amidst the rejection and opposition we can face. We are reminded to pray for all those who in Seas to support us.

**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 online.**

*The contactless Dona machine at the church is not working well, please for the moment use your phone, computer or tablet for the donations by scanning the Q code on the Newsletter.*

## 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.

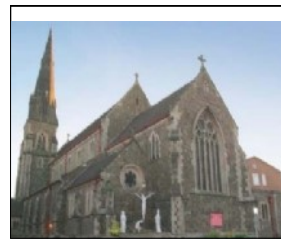
**300 CLUB,** more members are invited to join it to support the parish, please approach, **Pat C., Maria and Jesuina** to join the club.

**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.

**The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Reg. Charity No. 234216**



St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

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## 'DO NOT TAKE A SPARE TUNIC'

Saint Augustine of Hippo (354AD—430AD), said 'You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless, until they rest in you.' Naturally, our struggles for many things in this world are endless and this sometimes make us restless, unhappy, gloomy and bitter. We strive to find meaning in life and we are unhappy if we fail to achieve our desired goals. We should remember that life is more than material achievement or socio-economic prosperity. The proper meaning of life is the building of a good relationship with the Deity and with humanity. Economic prosperity and material wealth cannot fully define our happiness which has an eternal value. The true disciples of the of Lord are those who can be generous and show a sincere desire of detachment from material pride. The plan of salvation was fulfilled through the simple, humble personalities and communities of the Israelites. Later, Our Lord Jesus gave more attention to those condemned and marginalised from society, such as public sinners, the sick and the poor. God's love is open to all, regardless of class or social status. In sending his disciples to carry on his mission, they were given warning not to rely on material comforts if they were to succeed. 'And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff, - no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses.... Do not take spare tunic' (Mk6:8-10). In living our Christian faith today, what do we carry? What is your interest in the earthly journey as we tread the path of life?

The 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday readings remind us of our Christian responsibility for transmitting the faith amidst the rejection and opposition we can face. At same time we are warned not to be attached to so many possessions or issues that hinder our free witness to the gospel values. In today's first reading, the Prophet Amos was sent to those who were in authority to address their evils of injustice and exploitation of the poor. He was rejected and chased by the priest Amaziah, who said "Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah and earn your bread there..." (Amos7:12). Priest Amaziah turned his back to the suffering people because he cared only about his own welfare. A similar message is contained in the Gospel. Jesus instructed his disciples to give warning to those who would reject them. He said, 'And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust under your feet as a sign to them' (Mk6:11). As Christians, we are called to be generous, charitable and merciful. These virtues can be practiced well if we are able detach ourselves from all that can hinder us to show true love. May the Lord touch our lives to enable us to find true happiness not only from material things but in spiritual lasting values.

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 £222.00 Loose £374.63 Dona £250 Total £846.63**

**Candles £83.56 Church Maintenance £44.08**

**Hall Hire £ Rent £450 Piety Stall £ B&R Mass £41.00**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

#### **June**

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

**1st Prize: 057 M Ruddy**

**2nd Prize: 159 R Wilson**

**3rd Prize: 251 P Poretta**

**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 14TH-21ST JULY 2024**

Sat 13	04:30pm	Kieran Shannon & Bethany Davis Sp int.
Sun 14	11:30am	People of the Parish Mathew Davis Sp int.
	06:00pm	Leslie Philips RIP Kieran
Mon 15	12:10pm	
Tue 16	12:10pm	
Wed 17	12:10pm	
Thur 18	12:10pm	
Fri 19	12:10pm	
Sat 20	11:45am	Maria Malpiedi RIP
	04:30pm	St. Mary & St. Benedict School int. ESME James Sp int. Tim Connelly RIP
Sun 21	11:30am	People of the Parish Michael Jnr Okechukwu RIP (Anniversary)
	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**

**Saturday:**

**Sunday:**

**Eucharistic minister:** Catherine/ Agnelo/ Bernadette/ Maggie

#### **Sunday Mass at 6:00pm**

**Readers:** C . Christine & Jonathan

**Eucharistic minister:** 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:**

O'Grady Michael, James Anthony (Jim), and Michael Jnr Okechukwu