

Parish News & Notice

16th Sunday: Today we celebrate the 16th Sunday. The readings remind us of God's love and care for us as our good shepherd. At the same time we are reminded to use our gifts of leadership for everyone and we should avoid partiality.

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.

Apostles of Jesus Missionaries & Evangelizing Sisters of Mary: The members of these Religious Orders will celebrate their Founders Day on 30th July at St. Osburg's Parish. All are invited. The Mass will be at 12:10pm and thereafter refreshments at the Parish Hall.

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 every Sunday at 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.

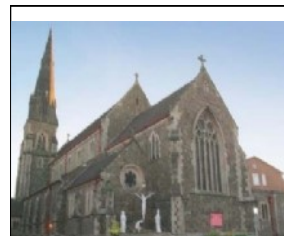
300 CLUB," more members are invited to join it to support the parish, please approach, **Pat C., Maria and Jesuina** to join the club.

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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"THEY WERE LIKE SHEEP WITHOUT A SHEPHERD"

Leadership is one of the core avenues for the realisation of human potentials for life. It is important for families, communities, societies, organisations and other international bodies. It is usually set to address the common good for all, but with more consideration for those who are less advantaged. An authentic shepherding, according to scriptural tradition, refers to the care and concern shown by the leader for every member, regardless of their condition or situation. As Christians, we are to follow the perfect example of Our Lord Jesus by showing true love and care for those entrusted to us, including those in our families, work places and in the various positions of responsibility that we may hold. Unfortunately, today we can still experience dissatisfaction, anger, disagreements and feelings of economic or social injustices. It is then that the quality of our leadership remains questionable. Therefore, we need the gospel of Christ to redirect our thoughts and attitudes. We should take pity on the needy in our society just as the Lord did when he was with His disciples. 'So, he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without shepherd' (Mk6:34). To realise their worth, they needed words of encouragement and assurances from a trusted leader.

The 16th Sunday readings remind us of God's love and care for us as our good shepherd. At the same time we are reminded to use our gifts of leadership for everyone and we should avoid partiality. In the first reading the prophet Jeremiah addressed the evil and weakness of the Jewish leaders and lack of guidance to the people towards the common good for all. The prophet Jeremiah said, 'You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them'. This similar issue of care for the needy is also mentioned in the Gospel. Jesus as a true leader cared for the people and for everyone who followed him. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place.... (Mk6:33). Jesus, as a perfect leader, brought peace, consolation, hope and harmony to peoples' lives and this was the reason they hurried to look for him. Again, as Saint Paul mentioned in the second reading from the letter to the Ephesians, 'In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us....' (Eph2:13-14). May the Lord guide us, as Christian leaders, to be peace makers and reconcilers at every level.

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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£167.50 **Loose**£620.03 **Dona**£120 **Total**£907.08
Candles£81.14 **Church Maintenance**£14.61
Hall Hire£665.00 **Rent**£450 **Piety Stall**£ **Friday Lunches**£200

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 21ST-28TH JULY 2024

Sat 20	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) Vincent Paul Inwang RIP
	06:00pm	Veronica Etini Inwang birthday int. James Elliot RIP
Mon 22	12:10pm	John Pill RIP Julie Bain Birthday int. Christina Fell (Massie) RIP
Tue 23	12:10pm	David Masland Anniv. William McDonald RIP Sean Michael Sullivan RIP
Wed 24	12:30pm	Funeral - Kathleen Linnane RIP
Thur 25	12:10pm	Peter Know RIP Lyn Sp. Int Ann—Thanksgiving St. Theresa
Fri 26	12:10pm	AL—Thanksgiving St. Jude
Sat 27	11:45am	
	04:30pm	Tim Connelly RIP Pat Cox Sp int.
Sun 28	11:30am	People of the Parish
	06:00pm	Martin McMenamin RIP & Mary Clancy 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

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

Michael Okechuku, Christina Fell Massie & Peter Noel Gostautas

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 :** 3. **Rosa Mystica** on the 13th of every month 2pm to 3pm.