

### Parish News & Notice

**30th Sunday:** As we celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday, the readings remind us of our spiritual blindness. We are therefore, invited to remove the blind spots of our spiritual life.

**Friday 1st November: Solemnity of All Saints Day** two Masses at 12:10pm and 6:00pm.

**Saturday 02nd November: The Commemoration of the All Faithful Departed Mass** at 11:45am.



**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.

### 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/5AOCwuzTdTOOFINBwRwwmBxvtgayKs0BNIK1vZN7> 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.

**Piety Stall—New items:** Mass cards for all occasions, including Christmas cards, Christmas Mass cards, 2025 Calendars & Diaries, Gifts Christmas Candles order of Mass leaflets, Statues, Rosary beads, candles plus many other items.

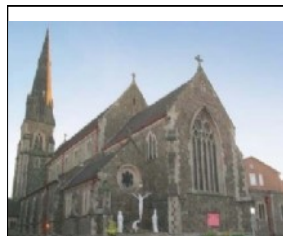
**NOTE:** The Piety Stall is open for sales on Saturday Evening Mass and Sunday Morning Mass

**Month of the Holy Souls:** There are envelopes for the list of the dead to remember in November. Please pick one bring it back to the sacristy as soon as possible.

**Youth Meeting:** Young adults 18—35 years are invited to Young Adults Group (YAG) meeting on Tuesday 29th October at 7pm at St. Osburg's church. There will be liturgical music, fellowship and food grab.

**Cemetery Blessings** we will be at Lenton's Lane Cemetery for 3.00pm today 27th October.

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St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

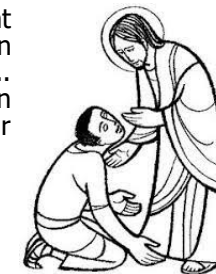
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### THE SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS:

The Psalmist rightly says, "Your Word is a lamp for my feet" (119:105). In darkness, we stumble and fall. Light, therefore, is central to our human and spiritual well-being. The word of God guides us along our path in life. If we ignore His light, we live in the darkness of hatred, violence, grudge bearing and resentment. When we are guided by the truth and wisdom of the Lord's word we shall experience peace, love, mercy, understanding, tolerance, justice and fairness. In our modern time, many issues make us blind to knowing and following the truth. For example, many issues that have previously been upheld as conventional values are being questioned and downplayed. We think that we have the authority to change these values accordingly to suit our circumstances. In the most recent development of the world, a lot of changes have taken place in our spiritual, moral and socio-economic environment. These changes have either caused blind spots or have been downplayed in accordance with the perennial values of humanity. We, therefore, need the Word of God to guide our feet along the path in life's journey.

As we celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday, the readings remind us of our spiritual blindness. Our sinful situation hinders us and we are unable to clearly see the will, love and mercy of God. It will not be until we turn to Christ for guidance and help that our eyes can be opened to enable us to see clearly. Just as in today's Gospel, the blind man, Bartimaeus shouted for help to Jesus, though people tried to stop him. "Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me" (Mk10:47). The blind man needed help to be healed and he had faith in Jesus. We have been reminded to have faith in Jesus and search for him, asking for help, just as the blind man did. Today, we can meet the Lord in the sacraments. It will be possible if we truly seek and ask for his help in faith. We can be made to be unsighted by our unmoderated emotions, passions, anger, hateful feelings, unforgiveness, pride, envy, jealousy and squabbles. In such situations, we need to call on the name of Jesus, in faith, to heal our blindness of faith. The prophet Jeremiah gives hope to the remnant of Israel. "I will bring them back .... the blind, and lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here... (Jer31:8-9). In this way, we also need to return to the Lord in order to have peace in our minds and hearts. We can endeavour to do so by removing all the blind spots in our spiritual life.

**Fr. Pontius Bandua AJ**



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**Parish Safeguarding Representative:**

**St. Osburg's Primary School**, Upper Hill Street Coventry CV1 4AP.  
Tel 024 7622 7165

**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 £105 Loose £394.36 Dona plate £172 Total £671.36**

**Second Collection—Missio £265.95**

**Candles £73.22 Church Maintenance £63.45 Friday Lunches £350.00**

**Hall Hire £ Rent £900 Piety Stall £80 Donation £1000 (New Lectionary)**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

**Next Sunday there will be second collection for the Johnson Association.**

**October 2024 Winners of 300 Club**

**1st Prize: 024 I Pereira**

**2nd Prize: 128 J N Rodrigues**

**3rd Prize: 254 J B Corte**

**Maintenance of the Church:** Please make your donations to keep our church warm during this winter in the usual box at the wall. Thank you.

**Christmas Bazaar:** This will be on Saturday 14th December. Please, bring bottles, for Bric-a-Brac, Prizes, valuable items for sale. The Raffle tickets are on sale at least buy a booklet.

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

**Catholic LGBTQ+** Members of the LGBTQ+ their friends and family meet on the third Sunday of the month at Diamond House, Stoney Road Age 18+. For more information please contact Dcn Leo 024 7641 9731 [dcn.leo.poole@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:dcn.leo.poole@rcaob.org.uk) Facebooklink: <https://www.facebook.com/share/981bMu58vq77iKqk/?mibextid=K35XfP>

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

**MASS TIMES DURING 27TH OCT-3RD NOV 2024**

Sat 26 04:30pm Brian Hamill RIP  
Ali M.

Sun 27 11:30am People of the Parish  
Wieslaw Jendrzeczyk RIP

6:00pm Danielle Idehen sp int.  
Paul & Daniel sp int.

Mon 28 12:10pm

Tue 29 12:10pm Thomas Pinto RIP

Wed 30 11:30am **Funeral**

12:15pm

Thur 31 12:10pm Moe Usmani RIP birthday anniv.

Fri 01 12:10pm **Solemnity of All Saints Day**

06:00pm

Sat 02 11:45am **The Commemoration of the All Faithful Departed.**

4:30pm Rita Terry RIP

Sun 03 11:30am

6:00pm Sam Gorrell RIP Anniv.

**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 those who are sick in the parish community.

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:**

Maragret Mary Ryan, Rose Mary Adelaide O'Neill, & Regan Denis Patrick

**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 Resumes on 11/09/24:** 3. **Rosa Mystica** on the 13th of every month 2pm to 3pm. 4. **Legion of Mary** Thursday at 6pm.

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