

## Parish News & Notice

**31st Sunday:** The theme of the readings invites to reflect on the love of God and neighbour.



**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. Please, donate on line, the Dona machine is not working at the moment.

### 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.

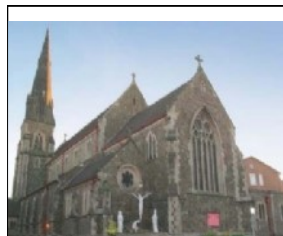
**300 CLUB,** more members are invited to join it to support the parish, please approach, **Pat C., Maria and Jesuina** to join the club.

**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 deceased members to remember in November. Please pick one bring it back to the sacristy as soon as possible. The names will be sent to the Missionaries of Apostles Jesus serving in different parts of the world at the end of November.

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St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

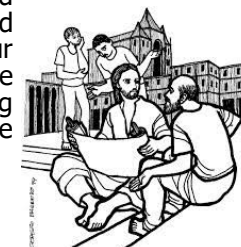
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### LOVE GOD AND YOUR NEIGHBOUR!

The fundamental truth of a right religion underpins the basic human value of the love of God and our fellow human beings. This basic value of love goes beyond the boundaries of geography, race or any of our human affiliations. It is from within this context that the Lord Jesus instructed his disciples, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Matt28:19-20). This mandate given by the Lord implies that in accepting Him when making the profession of faith during the sacramental rites, we are expected to show true love by obeying His commandments as the Church instructs us today. We can, therefore, pose many questions. Do we truly reflect our love for God by following his commandments? Do we express our true love for him in prayers of thanksgiving, contrition and petition? What is our concern for the needy and suffering in our society? These questions evoke a deep spiritual concern as we reflect on the love of God and neighbour as the basic truth of faith practice. In most cases, we are tempted to be concerned about ourselves, our needs, or our family requirements even when we have more than we need at a particular moment. We need to have the joy of Christian faith through sharing our life and our resources.

As we celebrate the 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday, the theme of the readings invites to reflect on the love of God and neighbour. We are reminded to focus on the will of God by following his commandments. Following the will of God gives us blessings and a joy of life. As Moses instructed the Israelites, "If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life" (Deut6:2-3). The same instruction is echoed in the reply Jesus gave to the Scribe who asked which was the greatest commandment. Jesus replied, "This is the first: Listen, Israel the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart..." (Mk12:28-30). Loving the Lord with all your heart means your entire life, plans, attitudes and deeds should be directed towards glorifying God. As Christians today, we can be still, reflect and look around asking ourselves if our actions reflect God's life and will. It may be that we simply listen to ourselves and follow our own will more than following the holy will of God. May we therefore, renounce all actions that prevent us from expressing our true love for God and neighbour. We may then have the joys of life as promised by our Lord, both now and for ever.

*Fr. Pontius Bandua AJ*



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**Parish Safeguarding Representative:**

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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 £196 Loose £480.86 Dona plate £147 Total £823.86**  
**Candles £83.76 Church Maintenance £ 53.27**  
**Hall Hire £350 Rent £ Piety Stall £ Donation £250**  
**Thank you for your generosity.**  
**Today there is 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**

**Gratitude:** I would like to thank the **3 parishioners** who have given donations recently to support the parish funds; **£1000, £150 & £100** respectively. I encourage many more to do so. Thank you for the good work.

**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.

**Apostles of Jesus Missionaries:** There will be a second collection on 30th November and 1st December to support the seminarians of the Apostles of Jesus in Nairobi - Kenya - Africa. Please pray and support them.

**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 3RD –10TH NOV 2024**

Sat 02	04:30pm	Rita Terry RIP James & Josephine Foley RIP
Sun 03	11:30am	People of the Parish Jasia –gift of health int.
	06:00pm	Sam Gorrell RIP Anniv.
Mon 04	12:10pm	Helen Gough RIP Kitty & Daniel Mulvenna and deceased family members
Tue 05	12:10pm	Jane Burman—birthday intention. Sam Gorrell sp int.
Wed 06	12:10pm	Lyn Sp. intention
Thur 07	12:10pm	Helen Gough RIP
Fri 08	12:10pm	Winifred Kelly RIP & Patrick Kelly RIP Christson RIP
Sat 09	11:45am	St. John Paul II –Thanksgiving—Ann
	04:30pm	Brian Andrew Jordan RIP 5th Anniv.
Sun 10	11:30am	People of the parish Mieczyslaw Pawlus RIP
	06:00pm	Christina Lanigan birthday int.

**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:**

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

**Sunday:**

**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:**  
Regan, Denis Patrick, Kathleen Byrne, Brian Andrew Jordan, & Mary Ellen Horley

**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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