

Dates for your Diary

Second Collection. NO 2ND second collection this Sunday - Next Sunday 12th July - there will be a second collections for the Apostleship of the Sea.

Contactless machines: available in this church for your offerings by cards or Smartphones. Please speak to stewards if you need assistance with this.

Changes: New Dates for Confessions Starting First Week August 2026.

Dates for Confessions at St Osburg's from August. Every **Wednesday** after 12:10pm Mass. **Every Friday during Holy Hour 11am-12:00pm** and continues after Mass. **Every Saturday during Holy Hour 10:30am-11:30am** and continues after Mass. Please be reminded that there will be NO official Confessions on other days (**including Tuesday or Thursday**) except by appointments.

Confessions until July 31st: Tuesdays and Thursdays after 12:10pm mass and Saturday after 11:45am mass.

Parish Finance Committee Meeting: Monday 6th July: This will be at 6:30pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

Fr Sunday: Thank you all from Fr Sunday for the overwhelming support in the celebration of his Silver Jubilee and for the £348.71 collected during Mass. He will be going home for holiday on Tuesday 7th July.

Sacramental Preparation: Please register for RCIA with the priests. Baptisms, Confirmation and Marriage - Please book for appointment.

Group Devotions: Rosary after daily mass in church Vespers and Benediction - Every Sunday at 5:00pm and every first Thursday. **Holy Face:** Every Tuesday at 6:30pm. **Bible Study:** Every Wednesday at 6:00pm.

Legio of Mary: Every Thursday at 7:00pm. **Rosa Mystica:** on 13th of every Month 2:00pm. **Motus Christi:** Saturday 11th July. 9:30am-3:30pm.

Bablake Senior School visit: St Osburg's hosted 70 Yr 7 pupils from Bablake who were on their Faith Walk. They were welcomed by Fr Robert and listened to a short talk about the Catholic Faith and history of St Osburg's church. It was a great opportunity to show off our beautiful & historic Church.

The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2026 Diary.

Sunday 12th July: For Apostleship of the Sea - Sea Farer.

Sunday 20th Sept: For Home Mission/CASE.

Sunday 27th Sept: For Father Hudson's Society

Sunday 4th October: For CAFOD Harvest 2nd Fast.

Sunday 18th October: For AP World Mission Sunday - Papal Charity.

Pope's prayer Intention July: Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it as a gift from God

Death Anniversaries this Week: Marshall Jean Carol & Catherine Josephine Keville Rest in Eternal Peace.

Pray for the Sick: Let us know if you want the name of the sick to be included here.

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Parish School (Head)
St. Osburg's
Nicola Rynott.

Parish Coordinators:

Parish Office Logistics
Maggie

**Chair of Parish Finance
and Gift Aid Scheme**
John Collins

Chair of PPC
TBC

Parish Maintenance
Martin, Paul

RCIA and Sacraments
TBC

Sacristans
Maggie, Martin, Paul.

Church Flowers
Patsy

Safeguarding Officer
TBC

Church Music/Liturg
Surani & Jonathan

Church Cleaners
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Altar Servers
Joann

Red Boxes
Paul

Very important Notice.

Please contact Fr Moses Pitya David AJ regarding any information that needs adding to the parish newsletter or anything concerning St Osburg's or St Elizabeth's Church, Foleshill. You can also book appointment with me whenever possible. Please use either Fr Moses mobile **07882825479** or office 024 76 220402 or email: fr.moses.david.pitya@rcaob.org.uk.

Volunteer Vacancy for Parish Safeguarding

Representative. The Parish of St Osburg's is looking to recruit a Volunteer Parish Safeguarding Representative. Full training and induction available.

Are you committed to promoting the welfare of children young people and adults at risk? Do you want to support your Parish to be a Safe Place for all? Do you have a background in or understanding of Safeguarding?

What is a Parish Safeguarding Rep.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives (PSRs) are volunteers who provide assistance and support to their parish in safeguarding matters. The PSR's role is a vital role to help support our parish communities to be safe from harm and abuse. The PSR works in partnership with the Parish Priest, Parish Leaders, Volunteers and Diocesan Safeguarding Team to ensure everyone can participate in parish activities happily and safely, especially those considered vulnerable including children, young people, and adults at risk. The 4 main areas of a PSR's work involve: **1.** Reporting and responding to all Safeguarding concerns. **2.** Safe recruitment of volunteers (including DBS applications). **3.** Creating a safe environment in your parish. **4.** Promote a culture of Safeguarding in parish.

If you are interested please contact **Fr Moses** the **PP**.

Date July 2026: Time: Intentions: Week 14 Ordinary Time Yr A

4th July Vigil Mass	4:30pm	Bernard Gallen R.I.P	14th Sunday Ordinary Time
5th July	11:30am	Fr Sunday - Thanksgiving 25th.	
	6:00pm	Anne McGee R.I.P	
Mon. 6th	12:10pm	Helen Cowling - Get Well	Feria in OT
Tues. 7th	10.00pm	Marie McGurk RIP. Funeral .	Requiem Mass
	12:10pm	Sr.Nora - Sp. Int. Marion McDaid B'Day. Max Gorman R.I.P	
Wed 8th	12:10pm	Fr Sunday - Sp. Intention	Feria in OT
Thurs 9th	9:15am	Y5 Enrolment for Confirmation.	Feria in OT
	12:10pm	Rose Ryan R.I.P & Tom Stokes R.I.P	
Frid. 10th	12:10pm	Bridie Hirrel RIP & Josie McDonald R.I.P	Feria in OT
Sat 11th	11:30am		St Benedict, Abbot. Feast
Vigil Mass	4:30pm	John Gallen R.I.P	
Sunday 12th July	11:30am	Charlie O'Donnel SP. Intention	15th Sunday Ordinary Time
	6:00pm	O'Donnel Family SP. Intentions	

Parish Income this week - Thank You for Your Generosity.
 Gift Aid Donation: **£128** Non Gift Aid **£433** - **QR code**
 Peter Pence **£167**. Dona Offering: **£tbc** Donation Hall **£245**
 Funeral Fee **£50**. June Standing Orders: **£438 Thank You**



Holy Hour & Adoration: Fridays: 11:00am-12:00pm - Saturdays: 10:30am-11:30am

Tuesday Club: Each Tues in Foyer after 12:10pm mass - meet up for a chat over light refreshments. All are welcome.

Young Adults Group: (aged18-35)-Please join: Last Tuesday each month at 7:00pm in the St Osburg's Foyer / Hall.

300 Club: Please consider joining our 300 club. It costs just £2 per month & we have a cash prize draw on the first Sunday of each month. It's a good way to support the parish. Next draw for 300 Club on Sunday 5th July. Thank you for the support.

Lectors: Sat 4:30pm - Ann / Bernadette. Sun 11:30am: Chris / Anne Sun 6:00pm- Annie / Justine

Parish Safeguarding: This Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding representative is (TBC) can be contacted at: sq.sosburg.covty@rcaob.org.uk or Diocesan Safe-guarding team on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

The 14th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

Readings: Zechariah 9:9-10; Psalm 144; Romans 8:9, 11-13; Matthew 11:25-30.

An Easy Yoke, a Burden Light!

An Arab, lost in the desert, was out of breath and with nothing to drink. He looked all around in desperation. His throat was parched, and he felt like fainting ... death was near. However, he found the remains of an encampment. No one was around, but there was perhaps some left over. As a matter of fact, he found a small bag, and opened it with a trembling hand. *"Are they nuts or dates? Curse, they are pear!"*

Today's world is restless: it seeks for meaning, significance, fulfilment, rest and, above all, peace. There is a frantic and restless search for peace by people in almost every walk of life. The search goes on and on and in this process of search and quest, people encounter many godmen/godwomen who offers instant peace and tranquillity. These godmen/godwomen seem to be the answer for their search, but in the long run, they realise the emptiness of their teaching. Hence the question is - *Who can give the much-needed eternal peace and happiness for that fulfilment?*

The answer is found in **Matthew 11:25-30**, where Jesus offers a warm and personal invitation to all those who are weary and over-burdened, to come to him to be refreshed and renewed. The Lord invites the tired, the poor and the oppressed to triumph over their weariness and burdens of life by discovering the spiritual strength of his gentle and humble heart. In order to listen to, and accept the message of Jesus Christ, one has to be in the Spirit who dwells in us. As St Paul tells us in Romans 8:9-13, *"If anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ"* The one desiring to enjoy the rest, peace, and joy that Jesus offers has to be child-like. *What is this yoke that Jesus is talking about?* Definitely discipleship. Also, the struggle to discover, discern and know God and God's will. When we hear the word **'Yoke'**, we may think of the ordinary burdens of daily life. But it also implies our dying and rising in Christ. This means that we place all our daily tasks within the context to God's love for us and our response to that love by doing what we believe is God's will for us. On the road to discipleship, Jesus and the disciple walk side by side, bound together. Walking so closely with Jesus, the disciple will *"learn from him"*.

The yoke becomes easy and light because Jesus has shown us how to carry it not by word alone but by example. The beautiful thing about Jesus is: He is willing and able to carry the yoke with us. He does not eliminate or lighten the yoke but enables us to carry it with him. In other words, he participates in our yoke and invites us to come to him when we are heavily burdened and tired. We will feel lighter and comforted when we are ready to carry the yoke with Jesus and not when we run away from it. Authentic followers of Jesus are child-like. A child represents powerlessness and dependence. Our yoke becomes easy the moment we believe and accept the fact that Jesus is right there beside us and he bears it along with us. Every day we need but to listen to the invitation of Jesus to come to me and receive the peace and joy I offer. We find the strength to bear our burden in the eucharist.

Do not ask God to give a light burden; ask him to give you strong shoulders to carry a heavy burden (Bob Jones).

