

Dates for your Diary

Second collection this Sunday - *For the Apostleship of the Sea*. Sea Farers.

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 12:10pm & Saturday 11:45am - all after mass.

New Parish Priest induction 4th October 2026 at 6pm: Fr Moses Pitya David, AJ, the new parish priest will be officially inducted as Parish Priest of St Osburg's Parish during the 6:00pm Mass. All the parishioners are invited.

Christmas Bazaar: The annual parish Christmas Bazaar of St Osburg's this year will take place on Saturday 5th December 2026. Items for Bazaar are needed.

Heritage Open Days 2026: On Friday 11th September 2026 many school pupils, communities, faiths and cultures groups all taking part. Parishes, parents and families all invited to join at 10.00am at Godiva Statue in Broadgate Coventry City, starts at 10:20am with Procession. More information will follow later.

300 Club June Draw: Sunday July 5th: 1st Prize - O Wilson (£50)-No 203. 2nd Prize - R Goodwin (£30)-No 121. 3rd Prize - M Concannon (£20)-No 111.

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:** Every second Saturday each month 9:30am-3:30pm.

The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2026 Diary.

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.

Sunday 1st. November: For John Association (Retired & Infirm Clergy).

Sunday 22nd November: For Catholic Youth Service.

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: Mary Stanton, Lacey Nora & Michael F Linnane.

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/Liturgy
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 15th Ordinary Time Yr A

11th July Vigil Mass	4:30pm	John Gallen R.I.P	15th Sunday Ordinary Time
12th July	11:30am	Charlie O'Donnel SP. Intention O'Donnel Family SP. Intentions	
	6:00pm	Kath Wilson R.I.P	
Mon. 13th	12:10pm	Mary Grant - Get Well	Feria in OT
Tues. 14th	12:10pm	Alison Foster R.I.P	
Wed 15th	12:10pm	Moirá Sheena Coleen Hanbury R.I.P	St Bonaventure
Thurs 16th	9:15am	Leavers Mass (Whole School).	Feria in OT
	12:10pm	Brendan Kaane (Anniv) R.I.P Bridget Kaane (Anniv). R.I.P	
Frid. 17th	12:10pm	Piety Pinto R.I.P Alison Foster R.I.P	Feria in OT
Sat 18th Vigil Mass	11:45am	Jude Mackinnon Sp. Int & Charles Mackinnon R.I.P	Feria in OT or BVM
	4:30pm	Yvonne Middleton Sp. Int	
Sunday 19th July	11:30am	Alison Foster R.I.P	16th Sunday Ordinary Time
	6:00pm	Alison Foster R.I.P	

Parish Income this week - Thank You for Your Generosity.
 Gift Aid Donation: **£74** Non Gift Aid **£522** - **QR code**
 Don Maintenance **£80**. Dona Offering: **£186** 300 Club **£550**
 Piety **£80**. 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: (aged 18-35)-Please join: Last Tuesday each month at 7:00pm 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, Uzo, Maria, Jolan, Catherine, Sharlene, Ann, and Hope. 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 Safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

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Readings: Isaiah 55:10-11; Psalm 64; Romans 8:918-23; Matthew 13:1-23.

Take care of our environment.

A visitor arrives on a rainy day in a city known for its constant wind and rain. She gets up the next day and it's raining, on following day it rained, on day three it rained also, and continued for more few days. She goes out to lunch and sees a young child and, out of despair, asks, "Hey, kid, does it ever stop raining here?" To which the child replies, "How should I know? I'm only six."

We have & American affecting lives of many, wield fire destroying properties, terrible flooding in many countries etc. Whilst water gives life and growth, and while we enjoy images of mountain streams and refreshing pools, we know that water can be destructive.

With the three readings this Sunday, we could easily celebrate environmental Sunday. Rain, snow, seeds, Sowers, fertile soil, and a labouring creation giving birth to the fruits of the Spirit are all rich ground upon which we can reflect on the importance of our earth's ecology. The image of water which the prophet Isaiah gives is a reminder of the power of the word of God to turn life upside down. St Paul in his letter to the Romans wrote about the bondage of the creation and human beings, and their groaning for liberation. We are indeed in bondage, as said by St Paul. A bondage to decay both physically and mentally. Our bodies left to itself, untended, uncared for, is susceptible to de cease and decay – it is only certain cosmetic and medical care that temporarily keeps us fit and fair. Our life is a journey from exuberant mental energy of youth towards sluggish, spent out old age and insanity. Our bondage is due to sin; there is an aching and a longing for liberation. We need to free ourselves from it.

In recent years the church has regularly reminded us that the issue of caring for the environment is an important part of our Christian commitment for justice, part of the seamless garment in our ethic of life. We have been reminded that while the earth has been entrusted to us as stewards, to be preserved, it is also given into our hands to be developed in such a way that there will be a productive earth for future generations to inherit. It all means that we must limit our consumption, change our priorities on energy and develop eco-friendly industries for a better environment. Most of the developed nations know that they cannot keep going as they are, with ever increasing unsustainable demands on our planet. There is no point in any of the developed countries crying over the demise of our environment in the future if they are doing nothing to help it now. Every small thing we do – from being conscious of the issues, to recycling and using our cars less – is not unimportant. We should take our Christian responsibilities in this regard very seriously.

One creative reading of this Sunday's gospel is that it parallels how we can react to the news of the degradation of the environment. For some of us the facts and figures about the planet's ecosystem fall on rocky ground. We are not receptive to hearing anything that might demand a change in our lifestyle or a lessening of our comfort. These days we mourn and close some schools because it is too hot, and rightly so. For some the plight of the earth cannot. For some of us, however, our own sense of environmental changes means that what experts are saying falls on fertile soil. We want to do whatever we can to see that the earth continues to bear fruit for as many generations as God intends.

The Old and New Testaments are filled with the importance of our relationships to the earth. In the Book of Genesis humanity is told to care for and subdue the earth, not wreck it. We cannot be irresponsible about caring for our environment. We believe the bread and wine of the eucharist, which we say are "the fruit of the earth and the work of human hands," are changed into Christ present among us. May these eucharistic gifts from our soil effect in us a change that might enable us to have ears to hear the groan of creation as it calls for us to be careful Sowers and responsible reapers. By how we choose to live now, may we hand this productive planet on to our children in better shape than we found it.