

Dates for your Diary

NO Second collection this Sunday.

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

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.

Volunteers Needed: to serve tea/coffee after 11:30am Mass in parish hall. If you are interested to help please speak to a priest. Thank you.

Volunteers Needed: to work on Friday Lunches from 10:30am—2:45pm. Work includes preparing food and Serving. Please contact Rose. Thank you.

New Dates and Times for Confessions.

Every **Wednesday** after 12:10pm Mass.

Every Friday during Holy Hour **11am-12:00pm** and **12:45-1:15pm**.

Saturdays during Holy Hour **10:30am -11:30am** and **12:00Noon - 12:30pm**.

Please contact a priest if you need Confessions other times. Thanks.

Food Bank, help needed: "We have faced shortages before but right now we are facing one of the most serious shortages we have ever experienced." The situation is serious and if we all added just one or two extra items into our shopping trolleys next time - it would turn the situation around.

Family Quiz Night 28th Friday August: at St Elizabeth's Parish Jubilee Hall Friday 28th August from 7:30pm Start. Teams of up to 5 players at a cost of £2 for adults and £1 for Juniors. Tea & Coffee provided. Please bring your own alcohol. Thank you for your support. Tony Ashby

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.

Pope's prayer Intention August: Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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.

Group Devotions: *Rosary daily after mass. Vespers and Benediction - Sundays at 5:00pm. Holy Face:* Tuesdays at 6:30pm. **Bible Study:** Resumes on 1st Wednesday of September at 6pm - all in church. **Legio of Mary:** Thursdays at 7:00pm. **Rosa Mystica:** 13th each Month at 2:00pm. **Motus Christi:** Third Saturday each month 9:30am-3:30pm & Spiritual Guide each Friday 6pm-7:30pm Foye

Death Anniversaries this Week: Catherine O'Connor, Joseph Hart, Jane Mulligan, Kathleen Brady. R.I.P

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

Solemnity of Assumption of the BVM **Year A**

Parish Mass Book Pages **176-178**

Very important Notice.

Please contact Fr Moses Pitya David AJ for anything concerning the Parish, and for any item you would like to be added in parish newsletter. You can also book appointment with him whenever possible. Please use either email: fr.moses.david.pitya@rcaob.org.uk. Or Fr Moses' mobile **07882825479**.

Sunday 11:30am Mass: From **1st September** this particular Sunday Mass will be moved to **10:30am** instead of **11:30**. This is a necessary adjustment for the new priests to manage the two parishes of St Osburg's and St Elizabeth's amicably. This adjustment will not affect the other two evening Masses Saturday 4:30pm and Sunday 6:00pm.

St Elizabeth's Parish will also adjust their Sunday Masses to instead of **9:15am and 11:15am** To **9:00am and 12:15pm** respectively. We are aware these changes will inconvenience some people who are used to the previous timings, but I appeal and hope that you will understand. This will help the priests to serve you better.

Parish Mass Book: We are now using a new mass books volume 2. all parishioners are invited to dedicate one of these books either for deceased or living members of their families or friends. The cost per dedication is £5. Please give your desired dedication name and £5 fee to either a priest or steward. Thanks.

300 Club June Draw: 2nd August draw: 1st Prize - O Wilson (£50)-No 203. 2nd Prize - R Welsh (£30)-No 69. 3rd Prize - B Kennedy (£20)-No 181.

Date August 2026: Time: Intentions: Assumption of the BVM Yr A

15th August	4:30pm	Arthur Carmel Thornhill RIP	Solemnity of Assumption of the BVM
Vigil Mass	11:30am	Adelaide Damello RIP Anniversary	
16th August	6:00pm	Jim Elliott R.I.P	
Mon. 17th	12:10pm	David Marsland RIP Anniversary	Feria in OT
Tues. 18th	12:10pm	Josie Frisby & Darhl Shanley	
Wed 19th	12:10pm	Idehen family Sp. Intention	Feria in OT
Thurs 20th	12:10pm	Danielle Idehen Sp. Intention	St Bernard, Abbot, Doctor
Frid. 21st	12:10pm	Chris and Ivie Sp. Intention	St. Pius X, Pope
Sat 22nd	11:45am	Bridie Coyle R.I.P	21st Sunday ordinary Time
Vigil Mass	4:30pm	Bernadette Moss Birthday Int	
Sunday 23rd August	11:30am	Dolly Bradley RIP	21st Sunday ordinary Time
	18:00hr	Paddy Elliott RIP	

Parish Income this week - Thank You for Your Generosity.

Gift Aid Donation **£110** Non Gift Aid **£510**
 Maintenance **£130**. Mass Book Dedication **£0**
 Standing Orders for July: **£438. Thank You**



Holy Hour & Adoration: Fridays: 11:00am-12:00pm - Saturdays: 10:30am-11:30am. Priest available for **CONFESSIONS** during the Holy Hour.

Tuesday Club: Tues-weekly 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-monthly at 7:00pm hall.

Lectors/Readers: **Sat 4:30pm** - Ann/Bernadette. **Sun 11:30am:** Catherine/Chris, Maria/Sharlene, Uzo/Anne, Jolan/Catherine, Hope/Chris, Catherine/Anne, Jolan/Uzo, Sharlene/Chris. **Sun 6:00pm:** Jonathan/Annie, John/Jonathan, Janet/Annie, John/Annie, Janet/ Jonathan.

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.

Readings: Revelation 11:9; 12:1-6; 10 Psalm 45; 1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1:39-56

Mary Assumed into heaven!

God loved Blessed Virgin Mary, so deeply that he could not bear her death and demonstrated his undying love for her by raising her from the dead and taking her into heaven, body, and soul. Referring to this extraordinary glorification of Mary, Scripture describes her as a woman *“adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with twelve stars on her head for a crown”* (Rev 12:1). Mary herself had an intuition into what God would do to her at her death which she expressed in her Magnificat: *“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and my spirit exults in God my Saviour ... from this day forward all generations will call me blessed, for the Almighty has done great things for me”* (Lk 1:46)

It was fitting that Mary should share in this manner her Son's complete triumph over sin and death, because it is not possible to tell the story of Jesus without acknowledging her presence. If we tell of his birth, for instance, we can hardly forget about Mary. If we speak of the cross, she stands beside it. Nor can we talk about the story of our own salvation without her. We think of her at Calvary and call her, *‘the mother of sorrows.’* We remember her words at Cana and ask her to intercede for us. Her presence in the midst of the disciples at Pentecost brings to mind her title, *‘the mother of the Church’*; and especially at Christmas time, we think of her oldest title, *‘the mother of God’*. therefore, it is fitting that the Lord whom she received when he entered the village of this world should on this day receive her into the city. Yes, on earth, there was a no more worthy place for Mary to receive the Son of God than the temple of her virginal womb; nor in heaven is there a more worthy place for her than the royal throne to which her Son has today exalted her.

Mary assumed into heaven reminds us of our own destiny. Christ our Lord is like a good salesman or an artist. Good salespeople carry with them the best sample of their products. Artist showing their works hang their finest painting. So, too, Jesus attracts all of us to the destiny that awaits us by setting before us. Mary as the most sublime expression of his redemptive work, because of which all of us believers will rise one day body and soul glorified like Mary. *“Just as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will come to life again”* (1 Cor. 15:22)

Mary not only reminds us of the destiny but, while on earth, she also showed us how to reach our destiny. The way she showed was one of faith and saying always ‘Yes’ to God's will, accepting his plan that he has marked for each of us. By always doing the will of the Father, she allowed him to overshadow her ordinariness and do great things in her. If we follow the same way, God will do mighty works in and through us also. Once a priest said in his homily: *“Death is not something that happens to us, but something we do.”* What he meant was that we are faced daily with opportunities to let go and let God be God. Again, and again we are offered the challenge to surrender in trust to God's way, to God's timings, and his mystery and love. When God asks for the **‘yes’** what is your response?

But we need to take note of this: Mary was able to live a life of faith and absolute surrender because she was also aided by the grace of God.