

### Matters of importance

**“Rich in Mercy” Ephesians 2:4** a day of talks, workshops, reflection and prayer, the Society of St. Gregory is holding a series of study days with talks, reflections and workshops. All are welcome particularly anyone involved in parish ministry or wishing to reflect on that the Jubilee Year of Mercy means to parishes. This will take place on 20th February at St Nicholas Boldmere Sutton Coldfield B73 5US.

**The Rite of Election** will take place on Sunday 14th February at 3pm in Saint Chad’s Cathedral. At that ceremony, parish priests will present candidates who are doing RCIA programme to the Archbishop who will authorise them to be baptised or received into full communion with the Catholic Church when their course is finished.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** Bishop William Kenney confirmed in the faith 22 of our year 6 pupils on Thursday 21st Jan at 7pm. at St. Osburgs Church.

**St. Vincent De Paul date for 2nd collection:** as you know there is an annual collection for St. Vincent De Paul in our parish around September/October. Last year it was missed due to the changes that took place. Please note that we shall have that collection on Sunday 1st May 2016.

**Marriage Preparation course:** I wish to inform all those who are planning to get married in the church this year that there will be a preparation course to be held at St. Mary’s parish on Raglan Street CV1 5QF on Monday 1st February 2016 starting at 6:00pm in the parish hall. It is recommended that both spouses attend.

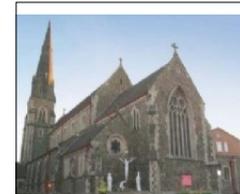
**Marriage Bans:** Miss Lauren Shepherd of 67 Fynford Road, Radford, Coventry, daughter of Mr. Raymond Shepherd and Mrs. Bridget Shepherd (deceased) of 67 Maudslay Road, Coventry, would like to get married to Mr. Morgan Ray Williams of 67 Fynford Road, Coventry son of Mr. Owen Williams and Mrs. Julie Neary of 56 Spring Road, Coventry. If anybody knows why they should not be married to each other please inform the Parish priest.

**Message from MISSIO :** Missio has written to thank £254.24 that was collected from Red boxes. APF assists each and everyone of the Catholic Church’s 1069 mission Dioceses to provide pastoral care and to preach the Gospel effectively. Thank you for your generosity.

**Message from Headteacher :** Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners, Last night 21 of our Year 6 pupils were confirmed in St Osburg’s church by Bishop Kenney. The children looked extremely smart and were so excited to be taking this next important step in their journey of faith. I was very impressed with their reverence and active participation as they led us through the Mass and received the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The church was beautifully adorned with Holy Spirit inspired art work and a special display dedicated to the Confirmandi. Special thanks to Mrs Batson, Miss Hughes, Mr Jordan and Miss Carey for all their hard work in preparing the children and the church. We are also very grateful to Mr Bisiker and our wonderful choir of 25 children who volunteered to come and sing for helping to make the service so special. Bishop Kenney was very complimentary about the singing and how well the children and service had been prepared. A particular highlight for me was to witness Year 6 perform ‘Joy of the Holy Spirit’. It certainly filled the whole church with joy and was the perfect end to such an uplifting service.



AJ Missions



St. Osburgs



St. Marys



St. Elizabeth

### **Parish Newsletter –3rd Sunday in ordinary time --24th to 31st Jan 2016**

THE GOOD WE DO TODAY WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN TOMORROW  
Whatever we do either in the community or in the church might seem to go unnoticed but that is not the case. If a person is bent on seeking praise, he/she might feel frustrated and wonder whether anyone is taking notice at all! But there will always be people who do things out of great sense of duty, people who use their gifts to do good. I received a letter during the week written on 9th March 1933 (82 years ago) written by a parish priest thanking his parishioner Paul Burns 1883-1973 for selflessly using his abilities to serve the parish:

*Dear Paul, he wrote the members of the Rosarian Committee while expressing their appreciation of the work done by you and your wife and Edith, wish me to write and thank you in their name. they are all delighted with the work of restoration, the fittings, the curtains and embroidery. I’m myself more than grateful for the thought and care you have taken to give of your best. I understand and appreciate everything and I feel sure that many blessings will descend upon you for the good service you have rendered in making the tabernacle once more worthy of its Divine Guest. With kindest wishes, yours very sincerely  
J. Maurus Chisnall OSB.*

At the time when Mr. Paul Burns and his wife were giving service to this parish they never ever thought that anyone was taking notice. But something amazing has happened that 82 years later we have come to know that they existed and that they spent a lot of their time serving the parish. I can boldly say that they are alive here and now because they got involved in a noble cause namely to support the parish.

The 82years old letter leaves us with a soul-searching question “What will I be remembered for in the parish or in the community when I’m gone”? No baptised in the church should remain idle. The good thing we do today may not be noticed but the truth is that it will not be forgotten tomorrow.

### The Most Holy Sacrament and St. Osburgs

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**Priest arrival:** thank you all for the good support you have given to Fr. Moses and I which has enabled us to receive the first priest to come to our mission. I wish to let you know that Fr. Joseph Kyeyune will join our mission here on 10th February 2016. It will be Ash Wednesday and a wonderful opportunity for us to start the Lenten season together. Some people passing by the presbytery have spoken to me about the need to have curtains and nets fixed as soon as possible, however as you know these are more of words than what my present budget can afford. I'm sure that some of you might have large good curtains kept away. Please give them to me if you can. I need bedsheets and nice warm blankets. I'm pleased with some two persons who gave to me £100.00 for the purchase of a mattress. The priests sent to us are men we hold in high regard as a Missionary Institute. I'm sure you will love to work with them too.

**Annual Diocesan Mass** to commemorate the anniversary of the Assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero this year will take place on Tuesday 8 March at 1pm at St Chad's Cathedral. The principal celebrant will be Fr Gerry Murray the Chairman of the diocesan Justice and Peace Commission.

Results of January 2016 300 Draw:

1st Prize	No. 524	E. Hardy
2nd Prize	No. 604	R. Clancy
3rd Prize	No. 746	P. Mulvaney
4th Prize	No. 160	B. Kennedy
5th Prize	No. 53	C. Cunningham

Congratulations everyone. I thank those people who support the parish through various ways; 300 Club being one of them. It is not so much the winning but the support that the parish needs that makes it enjoyable. Thanks and congratulations.

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

### 3rd Sunday in ordinary time- Mass Book pg. no. 56

TIMES OF MASSES DURING THE WEEK from 24<sup>th</sup> 10 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2016

Sat	23rd	11.45am	Fr. Garry (Spl int)
		5.30pm	Eleanor Keenan (RIP)
Sun	24th	11.30am	Adrian Keenan (RIP), Jackie Buckley (Get well)
Mon	25th	12.10pm	Marie Horni Brook (RIP)
Tues	26th	12.10pm	Moura Boyle (Spl int), Ishia Murphy (RIP)
Wed	27th	12.10pm	Sr. Carmel (Spl int), Kath Roberson (Anni)
Thurs	28th	12.10pm	Caroline Kennedy (RIP), Angela Jordan (Get well)
Fri	29th	12.10pm	Julia Byrne (RIP)
Sat	30th	11.45am	Michael West (RIP)
		5.30pm	Marie Horni Brook (RIP)
Sun	31st	11.30am	Srs. Philomena & Teresa (Spl int), Barry Glithero (Thanksgiving), Lesley Ann Stephen (Anni)

### Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

#### Weekend 23rd/24th Jan. 2016

#### 30th/31st Jan 2016

5:30 pm	Zen (E) Bernadette, Anne E (R)	Bernadette (E) Maria, Ann F (R)
11.30am	Janet, Catherine € June, Charles (R)	June, Teresa (E) Maggie, Charles (R)

**Please pray for the sick of the parish:** Laurence Gallen, Ron Hamilton, Garry Hobbs, Teresa Rynne, Cameron Reilly, Carla Lawrence, Josie Kennedy, Terence Harris, Patrick Connolly, Mark Correia, Colin Hipperson, Kathleen Tierney, Diane Cunningham, Kieran Connell, Ahmed Musa, Carol Sparks, Ruth Glithero, Jan Carusso, Nadia Faruk Hannah, Tom McDermott, Winnie McDermott, Gerald Douglas, Shirley Hartnett, Stephen Bayliss, Jackie Buckley, Angela Jordan, Dave Riliott.

**Please pray for those who have died recently:** Jim Lawton, Alva Saunders, Margaret Mary Ryan, Julia Byrne. Christine McDermott.

**Anniversaries of the Week:** Mcnann Heathe, McPheleim M. Kate, Clarkin Michael Grady, Shanahan Jack, Miller Francis, Cross Alice Georgina, Rodger Geraldine, Butler Pierce Joseph, Hainey Damian.