

### **Matters of importance**

**Archbishop's visit** to St. Osburgs will be this Sunday 11th September. He will lead the denary in celebrating 1000 years of St. Osburgs and of Catholicism in our city. Holy Mass will begin at 11:30am. I thank all those who are doing so many things behind the curtains to celebrate this event.

**ACTA open meeting:** Sunday, September 25th Archbishop Kevin McDonald speaks on 'Spirituality, Migrants and other Religions'. Q&A, discussion, 1.30 for 2 □ 4.30pm. Newman House, Harrison's Rd, Edgbaston B15 3QS. Everyone most welcome – laity, religious and clergy, for both members and visitors. No charge. Enquiries – Jean at [mjriordan@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mjriordan@hotmail.co.uk)

**Congratulations to James Richard Cass and Anita Grace Clarke** who got married yesterday, with many friends around. The choir was from SS. Mary's and St. Benedict Parish here in Coventry. The faithfulness of married couples will certainly inspire young people to embrace the sacrament of matrimony. May God bless the good work he has began in them.

**Mother Theresa of Calcutta** will be canonised a Saint of the Roman Catholic Church on 4th September 2016. Pope Francis will publicly declare her as someone whose heroic virtues are worth imitating by all the faithful.

**Education Sunday is on 10/11 September.** We welcome back our children who return to school some of course it will be the first time to step either in the primary or in secondary school. Please encourage them. As well as asking God's blessing on the Catholic Schools of our Diocese, you are also asked to remember the mission of our institutes of Higher Education: St Mary's College, Oscott; the Maryvale Institute; Newman University, Birmingham. To know more about these Institutes please visit their websites: : [www.oscott.net](http://www.oscott.net); [www.maryvale.ac.uk](http://www.maryvale.ac.uk); [www.newman.ac.uk](http://www.newman.ac.uk).

**The Annual Harvington Pilgrimage** take place today Sunday 4 September 2016. Please support this act of devotion to the Martyrs of the Midlands.

**Mass for Bereaved families:** For some years now we have a custom at St. Marys for families that have lost their dear ones in the course of the year to come together and have a Mass for them, have cup of tea or coffee together and to share in each other's loss. I invite bereaved families of St. Osburgs to our next annual Mass on 2nd October at 4:00pm. Please give me the names of those you wish to be included.

### **New Mass Timetable for St. Mary's & St. Osburg:**

**St. Osburg:**  
**Saturday for Sunday 5:30pm**  
**Sunday 10:30am**

**St. Mary's:**  
**No Mass**  
**9:00am**  
**11:30am**

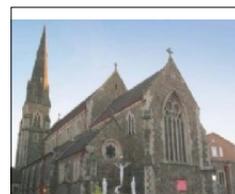
*Please I ask you to observe these changes*

**Winners of 300 Club August Draw 2016.**

*1st Prize Tkt no 367, B. Gallen. 2nd prize Tkt no. 708 N. Wilson, 3rd prize Tkt no. 202 Sr. Philomena, 4th prize Tkt no 150 B. Nixon, 5th prize Tkt no 339 A. Walker. Congratulations to everyone.*



AJ Missions



St. Osburgs



St. Marys



St. Elizabeth

### **Parish Newsletter—23rd SUNDAY YEAR C 4th to 11Sept 2016**

**FAITH MUST COME OUT THROUGH EVERY PART OF YOUR BODY.**

Jesus spoke about being prepared at all time to receive the Master when he returns. He spoke also about being vigilant just like bridesmaids waiting for the bridegroom to arrive. Last Sunday I baptised a little lovely girl. While doing so, I realised how the church prepares us her children to be ready to meet with the Lord. As we moved from one point to the other in that ceremony, it became clear to me that Baptism a sacrament of preparation and preservation. The sacramental anointing of several parts of our bodies reminds us that indeed our bodies are consecrated and preserved to resurrect in the presence of God. Are you making your body to come into the presence of God? How does the Church prepare our bodies to come into the Presence of God?

**Keep your sight pure:** one day our eyes will see God thus the Catholic Church teaches us not to see dirty pictures pornography etc. Pornography is a grave sin because these eyes of ours should be prepared to see their creator and Saviour.

**Keep your ears pure:** because one day they will hear the voice of God calling. The Catholic Church teaches us that it is not right for Christians to listen to gossip. It does not matter whether you engage in it or not but the fact of listening to it, defies the very purpose of God's gift of hearing.

**Keep your mouth pure:** because one day our mouths will raise their voices to praise God in heaven. Therefore it is not good or Christians to use swear words, to speak obscene words, to verbally abuse others or to curse them. Yes we must prepare our mouths to praise God in the company of the saints by using them to praise God here on earth.

**Keep your heart pure** to love God for all eternity therefore the church teaches us not to bear grudges, hatred, envy, anger and all those favourite moods which estrange us from loving other people. Faith in God is an interior activity of the soul but it is an activity of the body too. It must be seen in our thoughts, in our mouths, in our ears, hands and relationships.

Today in Rome the Holy Father Pope Francis will declare Mother Theresa of Calcutta a saint, she never ruled empires, she never fought for her country or wear any medal. She cannot boast of any scientific invention. The church sets her as an example for the human race simply because she let her faith to come out through every part of her body She was not afraid to see, to touch, to speak, to listen. She used every part of her body and prepared it to meet God.

### The Most Holy Sacrament and St. Osburgs

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### Parish development

First Collection. 1st collection.

Gift aid..... £ 43.90

Loose..... £286.34

Total..... £330.24 Thank you for your generosity.

**Leave the drive way clear:** we have a problem of parking here at St. Osburg Church I wish to request you that as much as possible we leave the available carpark for those who are infirm. There is a car park at the bottom of the road also across the bridge there is the Belgrade Plaza where you can park your car and walk across the bridge for Mass. May I ask you please, please leave the drive way clear for any emergency (ambulance and other possible rescue services that we may require which we do not know). The drive way is not a reserved area for those who come late. Thank you for your cooperation.

**This Year's Annual Mass for the infirm** with anointing will take place at SS. Mary and Benedict Church to give an opportunity to our elderly and infirm members an opportunity to walk through the Door of Mercy. The Mass will take place on Sunday 16th October 2016. I ask those who minister to the sick in our parish to prepare them for that event before the Door of Mercy closes.

**Marriage reflection:** Every man experiences evil around him and within himself. This experience makes itself felt in the relationships between man and woman. Their union has always been threatened by discord, a spirit of domination, infidelity, jealousy, and conflicts that can escalate into hatred and separation. According to faith the disorder we notice so painfully does not stem from the nature of man and woman, nor from the nature of their relations, but from sin. Let us always fight sin in our families.

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

### **23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Mass Book pg. No. 71** TIMES OF MASSES DURING THE WEEK from 4th to 11th Sept 2016

Sat	03	11.45am	Peju Phillips (Spl int),
		5.30pm	Andrew & Maria McBrien(18th Wed Anni).
Sun	04	<b>10.30am</b>	Mike Robinson & family (Spl int.)
Mon	05	12.10pm	Brian Gerrish & family (Spl int)
Tues	06	12.10pm	Mike & Robinson & Family (Spl int) Anne & Gbola Sobande (Wed Anni)
Wed	07	12.10pm	Funeral Mass Kathleen Brady
Thurs	08	12.10pm	Helen Finneran (Anni)
Fri	09	12.10pm	Bert Davis (Anni)
Sat	10	11.45am	Peter Hazelwood
		5.30pm	Frank O'Brien (RIP)
Sun	11	<b>11.30am</b>	People of the Parish

### Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

#### Weekend 3rd/4th Sept 2016

#### 10th/11th 2016

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

**Please pray for the sick of the parish:** Eileen McHugh, Laurence Gallen, Ron Hamilton, Garry Hobbs, Teresa Rynne, Cameron Reilly, Carla Lawrence, Josie Kennedy, Terence Harris, Patrick Connolly, Mark Correvisgandis Anne, Bacia, 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, Dave Riliott, Alan Davis, David Horley, Margaret Ghen, Bridie & Benny McAndrew. Christine Strong, Hilda Gibson, Sheila Biggs.

**Please pray for those whose anniversary occur about this time :** Kelly David, Morris Margaret, McWhinney Mary Monica, Byrne John, McDald Marvis, Franklin Reginald Edward, Kiernan John, Ryan Donul, Breen Maurice, Frankie Brown, Hayes Rosaleen, Whiting Margaret Mary.