

**MASSES Week 24<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014**

Sat	23	6.00pm	Bulungu Bwana Miteo (RIP)
Sun	24	9.30am	Pearl Osagie (Thanks giving)
		11.30am	Mama Helen Forbie (RIP)
			Gilbert Ijibor (RIP)

Mon	25	9.30am	Robert Dunham (RIP)
Tue	26	9.30am	Ursula Taff (Get well)
Wed	27	9.30am	Marie Hennessey (Get well)
Thurs	28	6.30 -7.30pm	(Divine Mercy)
		7.30pm	Anne Lane (Get well)
Fri	29	9.30am	Gordon Garnette (Birthday)
Sat	30	10.30am	Kath McGinty (RIP)
11.00am to 12.00 noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions			

Sat	30	6.00pm	People of the parish
Sun	31	9.30am	Tosh Aikhionbare (Birthday)
		11.30am	William and Bridget Carey (Spl Int)
			People of the parish

**Feast Days:** 26<sup>th</sup> August Blessed Dominic Barberi  
 27<sup>th</sup> August St Monica  
 28<sup>th</sup> August St Augustine  
 29<sup>th</sup> August Memorial of the Passion of St John the Baptist

**Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers**

**Weekend 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> August 2014**

6.00 pm	Sr Leena, Theresa Jean Hoey (E)
9.30 am	Keyna, Aspita Sr Leera (E)
11.30am	Ajiri, Honorine Vera, Loveness (E)

**Weekend 30<sup>th</sup> /31<sup>st</sup> August 2014**

Tom, Brendan Dr Jay (E)
Julia, Sr Lydwin Elizabeth (E)
Meena, Cynthia Serso, Vera (E)

**RIP:** Robert Dunham, James Daniel Farrell.

**Dessie Quinn RIP:** you might have heard over the radio or over the TV of a man who died suddenly in Donegal Ireland having returned from Sierra Leone where Ebola virus has killed over 1000 people. I'm sorry to announce that the deceased was a nephew to our parishioner Mrs.Ciss Dunnion. He was 44! Please remember him and the family in your prayers.

**Anniversaries during this Week:** Pat Whelan, Pat Sheehan, Catherine Elliott, Frances Smith, John Sheehan, Bridget Mulrooney,Janey Walsh, P.J.McGrath.

**Please pray for the sick of the Parish:** Maura Marron, Eileen McHugh, Tony McKiernan, Theodor Vaz, Mary Mulrooney, Maureen Patterson, Jim Dunleavy, Philomena Dunleavy, Molly Kelly, John Currison, Gerard Griffith, Paul Kordes, Jean Kordes, Diana Best, Jim Crean, Tess Pearkes, Joe Reynolds, Sheila McElaney, Sheila Clear, Janie Patalong, Tom Duignan, Thomas Murtagh, Job Giles, Bob McGorman, Maria Drabik, Michelle, James Hamill, Danny Diver, Michael Clear.

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Hearing Aid users – Please switch your hearing aid to 'T'

**Twenty First Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014**

**Mass Book Yr. A Part 2 pg. 120 onwards**

**WHAT OUGHT I TO DO?**

A good number of Catholics in our city have expressed their disappointment by the new Mass times announced recently across Coventry. There have been good impressions however showed by the determination of many to do their best. Doing one's best is the best one can do.

Many years ago while taking a course in Ethics, I remember my lecturer in Christian ethics walking into class and asking us "What is the fundamental question in Ethics? We had many answers but none of them carried an ethical value until when he said

*In any moral behavior the fundamental question is not what MUST I do or what SHOULD I do, but the fundamental question is "WHAT OUGHT I TO DO"? The word "ought" carries with it the need for doing the right thing as dictated by inner conscience.*

Christians today are faced with a numerous difficulties which call into play a demand for doing the right thing following the conscience. The conscience cannot deceive us; therefore it is important that we revisit that question from time to time with a Christian attitude.

As your priest, I have been blessed with the privilege to stand at the door every Sunday to greet the people as they come to church and also to stand there to see them going into the world to spread the gospel. Talking to people, you become aware how serious people from other parts of the world value the Christian faith. Yes we to ought to be passionate about our faith and to do whatever it takes not to fall away from it. Recently I introduced a lady at one of our Sunday Masses from Taiwan who visiting Coventry was mindful to find a church where she would attend the Sunday Mass! This is an extraordinary witness all of us ought to emulate when we are on holidays.

A lot of hard work has gone into our Catholic Faith in this Country. It is a characteristic of Catholics to obey with faith the teaching of the Church and to follow the guidance of the leaders of the Church. Now that new Mass times have been announced in our parish WHAT OUGHT I TO DO? St Ignatius of Antioch once declared: "It is not that I want merely to be called a Christian, but to actually be one. Yes, if I prove to be one, then I can have the name...Come fire, cross, battling with wild beasts, wrenching of bones, mangling of limbs, crushing of my whole body, cruel tortures of the Devil--Only let me get to Jesus Christ!"

Day/Time  Church	Saturday Mass				Sunday Mass												
	pm				am								pm				
	5.00	5.30	6.00	6.30	8.30	9.00	9.30	10.00	10.30	11.00	11.15	11.30	12.00	12.15	5.00	5.30	6.00
All Souls		<input type="checkbox"/>					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
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St J. Vianney			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								
St Joseph						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>											<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ss Mary & Benedict			<input type="checkbox"/>				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
St Osburg		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>			
St Patrick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>								
St Thomas M.						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>							<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Is any parishioner sick or in hospital Please inform the Parish Priest or one of the Sisters. It is important that Catholics on admission to hospital tell their religion to be recorded and request a visit from the Catholic Chaplain.

### Pastoral

**Meeting for Confirmation:** there will be a meeting on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2014 for adults who have given their names seeking to be Confirmed on 23<sup>rd</sup> October these are: Helen Sarfowaa, Eric Appiah, Sarah. Peter Biye, Vivian and Victor. If you have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and wish to be Confirmed, contact the Parish Priest as soon as possible. Confirmation will take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> of October and only those who have been prepared for the sacrament will be eligible to receive it.

**Home Mission Sunday** will be marked on 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. 2014 with the Theme

“Supporting outreach to non-church going (lapsed) Catholics”

Many children and young people will never see their parents receive the sacraments. Every Catholic who goes to Mass knows someone who currently is distant from the family of the faith - the parish community. On 21 September 2014 the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales ask that Home Mission Sunday is celebrated in every parish to invite prayer and support for the work of evangelisation. Please pray for and help the Bishops to develop new ways to reach out to non-church going (lapsed) Catholics by supporting today's second collection.

**Last Saturday for Sunday Mass.** I thank the parishioners who have spoken to me about their determination to embrace the changes as requested by our Archbishop concerning our Saturday Mass. The last Saturday for Sunday 6:00pm Mass will be on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2014. I invite all the people of God who have been attending the Mass at this time to come together to celebrate our last Mass as a group. May I propose that we have tea and coffee in the hall afterwards thank one another for the support we have received from one another over the years

### Parish Development

**Collection:** Gift Aid £223.00 Loose £415.63 Total £638.63 Thank you.

**Counters:** 24<sup>th</sup> Aug Sandra McAvoy, Maureen Jones

**Bonus Ball:** Wednesday Draw No 22 Joyce Evans

**Second Collection** 28<sup>th</sup> September Fr. Hudson's Society

**Mass Attendance** Week 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> August **446**

### Pious Devotion

**Divine Mercy** monthly prayers are every last Thursday of the month 6.30 – 7.30pm.

**Prayer for priests** is every first Friday of the month from 6.30 – 7.30pm.

**Rosa Mystica** prayers on 13<sup>th</sup> of every month between 2.00pm & 3.00pm.

**The Lady's chapel** is open from 9:00am to 7:00pm from Monday to Friday for anyone who wishes to come and spend some time in prayer. It is closed on Wednesday.

**Seminar for Married people time-table:** on 6<sup>th</sup> September: 10:30am gather for tea/coffee. 11:00am welcoming one another and introductions. 11:30am first talk by Jim and Jackie Edmonds. 12:00noon discussion in small groups. 1:00pm lunch. 2:00pm plenary session bringing out points from morning session. 3:00pm Mass to include renewal of marriage vows. Please *give your names at the piety stall* if you are willing to attend.

### Other Matters of importance

**Parish Dance** is organized in support of our parish this summer on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2014. Music will be provided by Irene & Tom and full Circle. The cost of adult ticket is £3.00. Please contact Mr Tom Ward or Mr Bill Flynn for tickets.

### Dates for your Diary

23<sup>rd</sup> Aug Parish Dance

23<sup>rd</sup> Oct Confirmation

### LIVE MASS BROADCAST FROM ST. MARY'S:

Step 1: Go to internet Google and type in [www.mcnmedia.tv](http://www.mcnmedia.tv)

Step 2: Click on: **Mcn Media Church Services-Webcams-Live Streaming.**

Step 3: Click on **photo of St. Marys Church.** Sunday Mass at 9:30am & 11:30am