

MASSES Week 7th to 14th June 2015

Sun	07	9.30am	Adelina Leonidas (Thanks giving) Margaret Lesnik (RIP)
		11.30am	Josephine Onye (Anni)
Mon	08	12.30pm	Sr Leera (Thanks giving) Geraldine Burke (RIP)
Tue	09	9.30am	Espirito Lutwama (Anni) Bernard Weaver (Anni)
Wed	10	9.30am	Sisters of St Ann (Thanks giving)
Thurs	11	6.30-7.00pm	Adoration
		7.00pm	Mary Hand (Anni) Sr Frances (100 th Birthday)
Fri	12	6.30-7.00pm	Adoration
		7.00pm	Cecily O'Connor (RIP)
Sat	13	10.30am	Kevin Ferris (Anni) Mark Mathias (Anni)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Sun	14	9.30am	People of the parish
		11.30am	Josephine Onye (Anni)

Feast Days: 12th June Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
13th June Feast of St Anthony of Padua

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers**Weekend 7th June 2015**

9.30 am Nazareth, Julia
Jean Hoey (E)
11.30am Patrick, Charles
Vera, Veronica (E)

Weekend 14th June 2015

Sr Leera, Roisin
Betty Osagie (E)
Honorine, Stella
Serso, Sr Lydwine (E)

R I P: Edmond Patrick Flynn, Phelena Seaman

Anniversaries during this Week: Margaret Crawford, Michael Woods, Joe Heavey, Experito Lutwama, Edward Devlin, Mary Elizabeth Hand.

Please pray for the sick of the Parish:, Eileen McHugh, Tony McKiernan, Theodor Vaz, Mary Mulrone, Maureen Patterson, Philomena Dunleavy, Molly Kelly, John Currison, Gerard Griffith, Paul Kordes, Jean Kordes, Diana Best, Jim Crean, Tess Pearkes, Sheila McElaney, Sheila Clear, Janie Patalong, Tom Duignan, Thomas Murtagh, Job Giles, Maria Drabik, Danny Diver, Michael Clear, Anne Creed, Mary O'Sullivan, Max Gorman, John Kerrigan, Nora O'Brien, Sean Harte.

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Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ 7th to 14th June 2015

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KNOW THAT I'M WITH YOU ALWAYS

The liturgical year of the church ends with these words of Jesus "Know that I'm with you always, yes even to the end of time." Presence can be assuring but it can also be frightening. If you have a terminally sick patient, the presence of someone with you is very assuring; it does not matter whether the person is rich or poor, great or small, young or old, all that matters is that someone is with you. But there are cases where the presence of someone can be frightening indeed. Try to think of the burglar downstairs in the middle of the night, an armed opponent laying an ambush or a stalker trailing you; the presence of such a person is dreadful.

When Jesus promised that he would be with us his followers, he did not tell us in which form his presence would be felt, but his presence to us in the Eucharist is reassuring indeed. The three cardinal virtues of Faith Hope and Love help us to understand this. When something takes place there is something or someone behind it. Whatever happens has a cause and nothing occurs except for a reason. Everything has a purpose and nothing happens to us without meaning no matter how good or painful it may be.

Persons whose minds are less inclined to believe in God see good things coming their way as a result of their hard work and they see bad things as blind destiny. The Christian mind does not look at things that way, whatever we are or have are due to God's providence and holy will. Our intimacy with Jesus in the Eucharist should help us as Christians to grow in knowing how to read the language of God.

The other week some of our children from Polish catholic tradition received their First Holy Communion. The demanding preparation and the all-engaging celebration of the event reminded me of the greatness of being a Christian and a member of the Catholic Church. For me the event was God sent to remind me (and you too) never to take lightly what seem to the unbeliever as accidents.

Surely it was not necessary that Jesus should save us through the incarnation, his dreadful death on the cross and through his resurrection which bore no eye witnesses. Jesus knew that our mind would never contain God's doing in our life that is why He just told us: "know that I'm with you always, yes even to the end of time" Mt: 28:20. All we need is never to despair because someone is with us all the time, his name is Jesus.

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

First Holy Communion: for children from our school will be on Saturday 13th June 2015. I thank the teachers who have guided and accompanied them through their preparations.

Marriage preparation: I wish to let you know that if you are preparing to get married in the Catholic Church, you will be required to attend a marriage course to prepare you for the sacrament. The course takes several days, according to Canon Law the priest will require evidence that this has been done. Therefore if you want to get married this year, give your name and contacts to either Fr. Jimmy or one of the Sisters for the course to be organized.

Deacon Gerry O'Reilly wishes to inform all the Pioneers that a Holy Mass has been organised by the Pioneers of Coventry to take place on the Feast of the Sacred Heart at Christ the King on Friday 12th June at 7.00pm. All Pioneers, friends and family are all welcome.

World Youth Day - Krakow 2016 the Archdiocese of Birmingham invites young people to take part in the event next year. The Coventry Promotional evening will be held at **St. Osburg's Parish Hall on Monday June 8th at 7pm - 8pm**. If you are a young person and are interested to find out more you will be most welcome!

Baptism preparation course for parents who wish to have their children baptised will be on Monday 15th June 2015 at 5.30pm in the parish hall.

Coventry annual Deanery Corpus Christi Procession will take place this Sunday 7th June 2015 starting from St Osburgs Church to Coventry City with prayers and hymn at 3.00pm. We would encourage all the First Holy Communicants to participate in this devotion to the Holy Eucharist.

Pious Devotions

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 13th 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.

Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid £294.45 Loose £436.78 Total £731.23 Thank you.
Counters: 7th June Agnes Heffernan, Tom Ferris
Bonus Ball: Wednesday Draw No 2 Mangaka
Mass Attendance: Week 31st May 431
Second Collection: 28th June Peter's pence

Other Matters of importance

APF Red Boxes: Please can you return your Red Boxes to the church for counting next weekend. When you drop off your box please make sure your name and address are on the box so that we can keep a record of boxes received. Also take your free copy of Mission Today.

Parish dance: has been organised to support the Religious Order of the Apostles of Jesus which sent priests to our parishes of St. Marys and St Elizabeth. Fr. Jimmy and Fr. Moses as you know were sent to these two parishes to support us in our pilgrimage of faith. Tickets are on sale now for £3.00. Dance will be on 11th July from 8:00pm till late. Live music will be provided by Irene and Full Circle.

Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus: The devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus continued to grow during the middle Ages and in 1353 Pope Innocent VI instituted a Mass honoring the mystery of the Sacred Heart. During the age of the Protestant revolution, devotion to the Sacred Heart was practiced in hope of restoring peace to a world shattered by political and religious persecution. Shortly thereafter, the devotion grew due to the fervor surrounding the apparitions of our Lord to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-90).

In 1899, Pope Leo XIII consecrated the world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Successive Popes have encouraged the faithful to offer prayers and penances to the Sacred Heart in reparation for the many sins of the world. Considering our present day and age, the growing apathy and secularism, we too should turn again in loving devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and ask Him to pour forth His grace. We must strive to make our hearts like His own, for He said, "*Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God*" (Mt 5:8).

In the Preface of the Mass in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus we hear: "*Lifted high on the Cross, Christ gave His life for us, so much did He love us. From His wounded side flowed blood and water, the fountain of the sacramental life in the Church. To His open Heart the Savior invites all men, to draw water in joy from the springs of salvation.*" Let us entrust ourselves to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Marriage Banns: **Mr. Uchenna Tony Okeke** of 7, Thackhall Street Coventry, son of Anthony Okeke and Florence Okeke of 463 Tony Okeke Street Prefab Owerri Imo State Nigeria,, would like to get married to Adaugo Ugorji, daughter of Livy and Nene Ugorji of No.6 Ugorji Close, Works Layout Owerri Imo State Nigeria.

Daniel Martin Williamson of 8 Knight Avenue Coventry son of Peter Michael Williamson and (deceased) Meredith Williamson would like to get married to Ms. Kelly Ferguson of 8, Knight Avenue Coventry daughter of William James Ferguson and Mrs. McWilliams.

If there is anyone who knows the reasons why they should not get married, please come and talk to the parish priest as soon as possible.

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