

**MASSES Week 2nd to 9<sup>th</sup> Aug 2015**

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| Sun   | 02 | 9.30am<br>11.30am | Margaret Maddock (RIP)<br>People of the parish                  |
| Mon   | 03 | 9.30am            | Anne Dunnion (RIP)  |
| Tue   | 04 | 9.30am            | Eamon Finlan (Get well)<br>Fr Harry Curtis (Anni of Ordination) |
| Wed   | 05 | 9.30am            | Anne Dunnion (RIP)  |
| Thurs | 06 | 9.30am            | Tom Duignan (Get well)  |
| Fri   | 07 | 9.30am            | Rose Trill & Friends (Spl Int)                                  |
| Sat   | 08 | 9.30am            | Anne Dunnion (RIP)<br>Damian Curristan (Get well)               |

10.00 -11.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions

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| Sun | 09 | 9.30am<br>11.30am | William Collins & Robert Dunham (Anni)<br>Thomas Edward Moore (Anni) |
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Feast Days: 4<sup>th</sup> August - Feast of St John Mary Vianney-Patron of Parish Priests  
6<sup>th</sup> August - Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

**Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers**

**Weekend 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2015**

9.30 am Sr Leera, Elena  
Bridie Kelly (E)  
11.30am Honorine, Patrick  
Sr Lydwin, Loveness (E)

**Weekend 9<sup>th</sup> August 2015**

Julia, Asipita  
Elizabeth (E)  
Irene, Jennifer  
Veronica, Vera (E)

R I P: Una McCabe, Maureen Patterson, Anne Dunnion, Elizabeth Keegan, Patrick Oboyle.

Anniversaries during this Week: Tracy Rodgers, Marie Bernadette O'Reilly, Rose Roach, Maura Mulrone, Peggy Connors, James Cannon, Vincent McHugh, John Hoban, Peter Hallinan, William Skarwenko, Thomas Moore, John O'Neill, Conrad Patalong, Lil Kittson.

Please pray for the sick of the Parish:, Eileen McHugh, Tony McKiernan, Theodor Vaz, Mary Mulrone, Philomena Dunleavy, Molly Kelly, John Curriston, 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, Eamon Finlan, Tommy Whelan, Phyllis Mulvey.

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.

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



**Apostles of Jesus  
Missionaries**



**St. Osburgs**



**St. Mary's**



**St. Elizabeth's**

**Eighteenth Sunday of the Year 2<sup>nd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> August 2015**  
**Mass Book Yr. B Part 2 pg. 115 onwards**

**I WISH I WAS A MOTHER:**

When I was a novice the first 30 minutes of class everyday were spent reading the lives of saints. At the end of the week, novices took turns to narrate to the others the life of the saint they have read about. I enjoyed the story of St. John Vianney, patron of Parish Priests (1786-1859) whose memory of sanctity will be celebrated on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Aug.

John Vianney was a religious personality of unusual force. From this man there emanated an influence which cannot be overlooked and the results of which cannot be contested. Where did the man get all this? It was from **his mother** who was a woman of great piety that she led him into the way of religion at an early age. He was a good-natured boy. He once said:

*"I owe a debt to **my mother!** Virtues go easily from mothers into the hearts of their children, who willingly do what they see a mother doing. When I was young, I did not know evil. I was first acquainted with it in the confessional, from the mouths of sinners."*

Try to look back and see, none of us here learned the art of self-discipline, respect of self and of others from the classrooms and lecture halls. It all started with the humble lessons of a mother either as we sat on her laps or as we saw her devotedly preparing meals in the kitchen. A mother is the most influential teacher in the life of a child, therefore when St. John Vianney says that he owes a debt to his mother, it is so great a challenge to every mother to examine herself to see whether their children could speak the same about them.

This weekend Fr. David Burke is with us to celebrate his Mass of thanksgiving to God for the gift of his ordination. I'm sure that his parents played a great part in his vocation especially as they encouraged him to serve Mass here and made sure that he was on time to carry out that ministry. A vocation cannot grow where good example is lacking.

Going back to Fr. John Vianney he achieved as parish priest of Ars, something which many priests would like to have but which is scarcely granted to any. He brought sanctity in the life of his people. When a priest attacks chronic spiritual disorders and popular vices, he attracts opposition. But if he is determined not to lose his soul, as soon as any disorder arises in the parish, he must trample underfoot all human considerations, or any fear of contempt and hatred.

God has given unimaginable authority to a mother; she is the only teacher who without pen and paper wields teaching authority unparalleled on earth. How I wish I was a mother.

**St. Mary & St. Benedict's R.C. Church**

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### Pastoral

**Some changes to come:** I'm quite sure that you are all aware of the fact that St. Osburgs was handed over to the Religious Missionary Institute of the Apostles of Jesus and that Fr. Jimmy and Fr. Moses were asked to take care of the parish until the Lord will visit it with resident priests. Please take note that there will certainly be some changes in our day-to-day activities which might also affect our Mass time. We shall try as much as we can to keep the spiritual traditions of our parishes. I ask you to come forward and support me in the work that I'm called to do. The best support you can give to me is your fidelity to Jesus Christ. Be focused on making St. Mary's a cenacle of true prayer. Be courageous in difficulties. Never give up a good cause.

**St. Osburgs Parish Web page:** has been created on St. Mary's Parish Website by Sr. Leera so that members of both parishes can know what is going on. This is prompted by the fact that Fr. Jimmy is responsible for both parishes until St. Osburgs gets her resident priests. To visit the Webpage just go to [www.ssmaryandbenedict.org.uk](http://www.ssmaryandbenedict.org.uk) and at the homepage click on St. Osburgs parish. Please be informed that the page is still being built up.

**The Newsletter** this weekend and onwards will bear the *Logo of Apostles of Jesus Missionaries* and the three churches of St. Osburgs, St. Mary's and St. Elizabeth. These parishes have been entrusted to the pastoral care of the mentioned missionary Order. I know very well that God's faithful people who form these three parishes will support our efforts to build up the reign of Jesus in our lives. If we work together, I can clearly see a New Pentecost on the horizon, but before that happens, we must realise first that it is God's plan. He is with us always.

**Mass for the bereaved** families who have lost their dear ones during the course of the year Oct 2014 -Sept. 2015 will be on Sunday 27th Sept 2015 at 4.00pm followed by cup of tea/coffee in the parish hall. It will be an opportunity to meet with other families who have had a similar experience and to share in each other's loss. If you have lost a parent, a child or a very close relative abroad and you want to be included in this solemn event please contact the Parish priest or any one of the Sisters.

**Annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall** will take place on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2015. Rt Rev Robert Byrne Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham will be the principal celebrant and Fr Brian Doolan will be the preacher. Mass will begin at 3.00pm preceded by confessions from 1.45pm-2.30pm. More details are on the notice board.

### 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 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.

### Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid £327.00 Loose £459.52 Total £786.52 Thank you.

Charity walk-Train a Priest-Apostles of Jesus £2000 Thank you.

Counters: 2<sup>nd</sup> August Vera Dunnion, Julia Harte

Bonus Ball: Wednesday Draw No 19 Patsy Sproul

Mass Attendance: Week 26<sup>th</sup> July 431

### Other Matters of importance

**Trainees for the priesthood:** at the parish noticeboard are the names of 105 students who are training to become missionary priests in the Religious Missionary Institute of the Apostles of Jesus. Please remember them in your prayers. I wish to thank you for the support you give for the training of priests. The charity walk by Agnes Heffernan, Vera Dunnion, Betty Osagie, Ehi Omoregi and our three parish Sisters Leena, Lydwin and Leera raised £2000. Words cannot describe what inspired such a thought. The money raised will be sent to the Novitiate of the Order in Moroto which was closed for many years due to insecurity but was reopened with 14 novices whose names are also on the noticeboard. I'm very sure that our contribution will be greatly appreciated by the whole Order of the Apostles of Jesus.

**Annual Rosary Rally** to pray for World peace and young people will be held at Holy Cross Church, Whitwick at Grace Dieu Manor, Leicestershire on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2015. The Mass will be celebrated at 3.00pm. For more details please see the notice board.

**Multicultural Mass of the African Day:** The parishioners of the Good Shepherd & St Elizabeth's church, Foleshill Road, Coventry. CV6 5BX.along with their parish Priest Fr Moses Pitya, cordially invite you to join them for their annual celebration of the Multicultural Mass of the African Day on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at St Elizabeth's Church, Elizabeth Rd. Coventry, CV6 5BX. The Mass begins at 2.30pm.

**Youth meeting** will be held on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2015 after the 11.30am Mass in the Lady's chapel. All our young people are invited.

**Death announcement:** It's with great sadness to announce the death of Una McCabe of 32 Coronation Road who died in her sleep on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2015. Una was the oldest baptised and confirmed member of our parish who faithfully and loyally supported the parish in every way. She will be greatly missed. Our condolences to her family specially her children and her sister Sheila McElaney. She'll be received into St Mary's on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August at 6.00pm and the funeral Mass will take place on Monday at 9.30am. May she rest in peace.



**LIVE MASS BROADCAST FROM ST.MARY'S CHURCH**  
on parish website home page [www.mcnmedia.tv/cameras/ss.mary](http://www.mcnmedia.tv/cameras/ss.mary)  
Sunday Mass 9:30am and 11:30am.