

MASSES 11th to 18th Aug 2019

Sun	11	9.30am	Deceased members of Dunleavy & Murphy families , Sam & Anthonia Aikhionbare (Spl int), Mrs. Tran (Get well)
		11.30am	Patrick Cosgrove (Anni) Mami Mary Mangwa (RIP) Mami Cecile Nzanda (RIP)
Mon	12	9.30am	Bridie McRowe (RIP), Mrs Tran (Get well)
Tues	13	9.30am	Lutwama family (Spl int), Tom Ferris (Spl int)
Wed	14	9.30am	John & Adrin Travaso, Mrs. Tran (Good health)
Thurs	15	9.30am	John Costello (RIP) , Mrs. Tran (Get well)
		7.00pm	People of the parish
Fri	16	9.30am	Oliver Clear (RIP), Mrs. Tran (Get well)
Sat	17	9.30am	Fr. Harry Curtis (Ordination Anni), Mrs. Tran (Get well)
Sun	18	9.30am	Winifred Busby (Anni) , Bernadette (Spl int), Catherine& Joseph Curry (RIP), Mrs. Tran (Get well)
		11.30am	Mama Magdalene Akenji (RIP), Catholic women association of Cameroon (Thanksgiving)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

11/08/2019

9.30am James M., Elena Wood (R)
Sophie (E)
11.30am Morgan, Georgina (E)
Vera, Marcel (E)

18/08/2019

Nicholas, Veronica C. (R)
Betty O. (E)
Ashley, Florence E (R)
Kasibante, Serse (E)

Please pray for the sick of the Parish: Tony Groogan, Mary Mulroney, John Curriston, Gerard Griffith, Jane Patalong, Maria Drabik, Kath Muldoon, Michael Clear, Maria Clear, Ann Crowley, Thi Tran. Dorota, Philomena (Mina)

Anniversaries during the week: Delia Bridget Shannon , Jim Jackson, Patrick Cosgrove, Angela Irene McGrane , Mary Foley, Patrick Vincent Cosgrove, Elizabeth Joan Caren, Thomas Whelan, Bridget O'Loughlin, Mathew Nugent, Jenny Connors , Dorothy Dewhurst , Mary McGrath, Winifred Ivy Busby, Anthony Francis O'Doherty ,Albert Hunt .

A short story : The Wise Judge.

Two women were brought before King Solomon. Both these women had a quarrel over a single baby. Each woman was saying that she was the baby's mother.

One lady said, "Oh King! I am the baby's mother".

The other lady said, "Oh King! Believe her not. She is not the mother. I am the mother of the child".

King Solomon was confused. After a deep thought he said, "Cut the baby into two and give one part to each mother". One woman was silent. The other cried "Oh King! Let she have the baby. Let the baby live". The king gave the child to the crying mother.

MORAL : Truth Always Triumphs.



A.J. Missions



St. Osburg



Ss. Mary & Benedict



St. Elizabeth

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FAMILY THANKSGIVING DAY 15th SEPTEMBER

Human beings hold a record for being the most vulnerable of all creatures from conception to adulthood. It is beyond proof that while many animals and birds in the wild can survive after birth without parental care, no human being can survive without parental (family) care. When a child is conceived, the baby in the womb is not left to nature to take its course, the mother takes many precautions. Nursing and protecting the offspring is a laborious work sometimes of one parent or of both.

Recalling the support that we have received through the families that God chose for our existence, all of us have something to thank God for. Try to think of the people that God has given you in your family, parents, children, grandchildren uncles, nieces and nephews. Try to think about the house that your family calls its home, when many people are homeless! Some families are in deep trouble, constant fights, abusive parents, disrespectful children etc...., but God keeps yours united. We have been so blessed though our families since none of us would be here without one. It is not difficult to find someone who hates his family or some members who act in a way that aims at tearing the family apart. If your family is still united, then you have something to thank God for.

You will appreciate the fact that apart from our natural families, God has given us another family— the Church. Our family congregates at St. Mary's and Benedict church— we call it a parish. I wish to ask you as a family of God based at St. Mary's to come with your family that God gave to you to join in a thanksgiving event which will take place on Sunday 15th September 2019. God is at the centre of our families therefore, like the Psalmist ***"It is good to give thanks to the Lord"*** Psalm 92:1.

God's providence will provide food for that day for your family as he normally does; please cook that food at your homes but instead of eating it at your home, bring it to the church and serve it to the people. The early Christians used to share meals together (Acts 2:46). After 11:30am Mass we shall all come together as God's family of St. Mary's and eat together in thanksgiving to God for our families.

I will appreciate whatever you would wish to do as a gesture of your thanksgiving to God for your family. I pray that this family thanksgiving event may continue to be celebrated in the future. Jesus, Mary and Joseph keep our family together AMEN.

YOU ARE MOST WELCOME to our Parish Church. If it is your first time here or probably you have been here before, your presence with us at this moment at our community worship is greatly appreciated. Our Parish Church is the second to be built in Coventry after the Protestant Reformation. It was built in 1893, the pews have never moved since then! Our Musical Pipe Organ was inaugurated in 1898, it was the best of its kind at the time. Our Parish has had eleven Parish priests since 1889, the present one being a Religious Missionary from the Institute of Apostles of Jesus in Uganda. Our Parish welcomes and promotes the initiatives taken by everyone for the building up and sustenance of our faith community.

St. Mary & St. Benedict R.C Church

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The Parishes are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Reg. Charity No. 234216

Parish Development

Collection: **Gift Aid:** £405.50 **Non-Gift Aid:** £ 345.23 **Total :** £750.73

Counters : Elizabeth & Patsy Sproul

Mass Attendance : 406

Bonus Ball : No.

2nd collections : for the months of September: 8th Sept—Catholic Education service ; 15th Sept—CASE

Pious Devotions

Prayer for priests every first Friday of the month from 6 – 7pm followed by Mass

Divine mercy prayers every last Thursday of the month from 6 -7pm followed by Mass

Rosa Mystica on 13th of every month between 2.00pm & 3.00p`m.

Parish Rosary group every Friday at 6.00pm

Choir practice every Friday at 7.30pm /Saturday at 3.00pm

Church cleaning: 8.00am to 9.30am

Confessions : Every Saturday from 10am to 11.00am

Mass in the University: Every Tuesday at 1.10pm in Hub

The Lady's Chapel is open from **8.30am to 4:00pm** throughout the week. You are all welcome to spend time in prayer before the Lord.

Feasts during the week: **12th Aug St. Jane Francis de Chantal**, is a Roman Catholic saint, who was beatified in 1751 and canonized in 1767. She founded the religious Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary ;

14th— Maximilian Kolbe, OFM Conv a Polish Conventual Franciscan friar, volunteered to die in place of a stranger in the German death camp of Auschwitz, during WWII.;

Annual Rosary Rally. Sunday, 26th August, at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey, Leicestershire, starting with Mass at 2.00 pm, followed by refreshments and procession. Everyone is invited.

Matters of Importance

Diocesan pilgrimage to the Holy Land: will take place from 3rd -11th Sept 2019 Bishop David McGough will lead it with Canon Mervyn Tower as Spiritual Director. This is an opportunity to join the family of the Archdiocese on pilgrimage of this kind with four nights in Bethlehem and three nights in Tiberius. This is all inclusive, flights with BA from Heathrow, full board at hotels, full spiritual, Scriptural and educational programme, daily Mass at different Shrines and all entrance fees. Cost: £1,496 based on two sharing. For more details please contact Canon Mervyn Tower (details on www.corpuschristiheadington.co.uk) or Gill Didino at Tangney Tours.

Pope Francis has declared October 2019 to be an Extraordinary Missionary Month. The Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission and the Columban Missionaries have organised an assembly to take place on Saturday 12th October 2019, from 10am to 5pm at St Peter's Catholic Secondary School, Solihull to reflect on your experiences of the call to mission for justice, peace and care for creation.

The End of an era: The Little Sisters of the Assumption will close their remaining community in the Archdiocese at Maryvale. The Sisters have worked in the Archdiocese for many years, probably some of us know them The Sisters will transfer to their new communities in Derby and Ireland.

15th - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION) -

The Assumption of Mary into Heaven is a firm belief of the Church (Catholic, Eastern and Oriental Orthodox), that Mary was taken up to Heaven body and soul at the end of her earthly life. We shall have two Masses as indicated.

Tired of rubbish on the web? Try the New Pilgrim Path Website inspired by Pope Francis' enthusiasm for the internet. He urges Christians to 'walk the streets of the digital highways in order to dialogue with people today and to help them encounter Christ.' New Pilgrim Path explores and shares the rich spiritual resources of the internet. Visitors are helped to find sites that are relevant to them at the particular stage of their journey. They have pages devoted to a range of resources, including daily prayer, online retreats, inspirational reflections, spiritual poetry, religious broadcasts and many others. Please go to www.newpilgrimpath.ie for more information.

Baptism preparation classes for those parents who would like to baptise their children will take place on 9th & 10th of September at 6.00pm in the Lady's Chapel. If you have any difficulties in attending on these dates please contact the sisters.

Would you like to make pilgrimage to Medjugorje? The Irish Centre organises pilgrimages to Medjugorje between April and October 7 nights B&B and Airport Shuttle service from Dubrovnik or Split for €279 per person sharing. Book any flight - any time. They provide guaranteed airport shuttle service. Call for further info and book the dates that suits you. Tel. 020 3239 8662 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com.