


## **MASSES - 15th to 2nd September 2019**

Sun	15	12.00noon	Rose Hogan (B'day), Mami Cecile Nanda (Anni), William Anderson (RIP) James & Jane Gaturi family (Thanksgiving)	
Mon	16	12.00noon	Shean Aikhionbare (B'day)	
Tues	17	9.30am	Mr. & Mrs. Tran (Get well)	
Wed	18	9.30am	Mrs. Betty Ennis (RIP)	
Thurs	19	9.30am	Ann Mapuranga (B'day)	
Fri	20	9.30am	Family of Mrs. Bernie Kelly (Spl int)	
		1.00pm	Requiem Mass of Michael Gamble	
Sat	21	9.30am	Mr. Mrs. Tran (Get well)	
Sun	22	9.30am	Deceased members of Father Tadeusz & family	
		11.30am	Mami Cecile Nanda (RIP)	

### **Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers**

<b><u>15/09/2019</u></b>	<b><u>22/09/2019</u></b>
12.00— Ashley, Veronica Carrol (R) Lilian, Patricia (E)	
9.30am	Nicholas, Naomi (R) Jarek (E)
11.30am	Children (Readers) Frank, Marcel (E)

**Please pray for the sick of the Parish:** Tony Groogan, Mary Mulroney, John Currison, Gerard Griffith, Jane Patalong, Maria Drabik, Kath Muldoon, Michael Clear, Maria Clear, Ann Crowley, Thi Tran, Christopher Browne.

**Anniversaries during the week :** Bernard McHugh, Julia O'Driscoll, Margaret Lee, Peggy Moore, Tyrone Declan Evans Shields, Owen Healy.

**Extraordinary Missionary Month - October 2019** the Archdiocese of Birmingham will be marking an Extraordinary Missionary Month, called for by Pope Francis, for the purpose of rediscovering the missionary heart of the Church, in all aspects of her life and worship, and especially in every Catholic. WE are encouraged to reawaken our missionary call by taking the Gospel across the globe, but particularly in England and Wales where we find our people and culture in need of a New Evangelisation. Our parishes of St. Osburghs, St. Mary's and St. Elizabeth are ministered to by the Missionary Order of the Apostles of Jesus. Let us support their work among us.



A.J. Missions



St. Osburg



Ss. Mary & Benedict



St. Elizabeth

## **Twenty– Fourth Sunday in ordinary time- Parish Newsletter– 15th—22nd Sept.**

### **THESE DUTIES CANNOT BE DELEGATED**

I welcome you to our Parish Family Thanksgiving Day. A family is God's personal gift to you and to me. Jesus lived for thirty three years on earth but he chose to spend thirty years in a family, under the obedience to Joseph and to Mary. The Catholic Church calls a Christian family a ***Domestic Church***. There cannot be a universal Church without this church in the family. The holiness of your lives as a family is the holiness of the church. I invite you to read carefully what the Bible says about the duties God asks us to do as we live in our families:

*Children listen to me, your father, do what I tell you and be safe. For the Lord honours the father in his children and upholds the rights of a mother over her sons. Who ever respects his father is atoning for his sins. He who honours his mother is like someone amassing a fortune. Whoever respects his father will be happy with the children of his own....Long life comes to him who honours his father. He who sets his mother at ease is showing obedience to the Lord. He serves his parents as he does the Lord.*

*Respect your father in deed as well as word so that blessings may come to you from him since the father's blessing makes the houses of his children firm, while a mother's curse destroys them at their roots. Do not rejoice at the humiliation of your father because his humiliation is no glory to you. For a man's glory comes from his father's good name, a mother who is not respected is a disgrace to her children*

*My son take care of your father in his old age and do not cause him sorrow as long as he lives. Even if his mind should fail show him sympathy, do not be disrespectful to him while you are in full health. For kindness done to one's father will never be forgotten....who ever abandons his father is like a blasphemer and who ever angers his mother is cursed by the Lord.*

The Bible is straight forward about the duties parents have to carry out towards their children and what children have to do towards their parents. No one can live a life of fulfilment if he neglects his parents or when parents neglect their children. The love and authority of a parent over his child cannot be delegated. Similarly love, respect and obedience that a child owes to the parents cannot be delegated too. Let us put it straight like this: No one can bring up your child better than yourself and no body can take care of your parents at their time of need except their children. I pray that this Family Thanksgiving Day awakens within us that reality. Let it help us to nurture family spirit amongst us all.



**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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### **Parish Development**

**Collection: Gift Aid:** £445.40 **Non-Gift Aid:** £366.99 **Total :** £812.39

**Counters :** Vera Dunnion & Pat Edwards

**Mass Attendance : 535** **Bonus Ball :** No. 30. Will Edwards

**2nd collections :** for the months of September & October :15th Sept—CASE: 22nd Sept—Fr. Hudson's Society; 6th Oct—CAFOD; 20th Oct. APF.

### **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 13<sup>th</sup> 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

**Parish Christmas bazaar for 2019** will be on November 30th at 1:00pm  
Please keep this date in your diaries

**Family fast day is on Friday 4th Oct.** This Fast Day, CAFOD invites us to fast, pray and give, so we can extend the hand of friendship to the world's poorest people. Please collect the Fast Day envelopes from church and give generously

**Funeral announcements:** *Funeral is announced of Mr. Michael Gamble of The Chantries Street Hill fields Coventry which occurred in Ireland on 25th August. He was the husband to Mary Gamble. Funeral takes place on 20th Sept at 1.00pm, Reception on 19th Sept at 7.00pm.*

### **Matters of Importance**

**Blessing of the Graves:** will be as follows: Canley 22nd Sept. London Rd 29th Sept, St. Paul's 6th October all services start at 3.00pm.

**Baptism preparation classes** will take place on 16th September at 6.00pm in the Lady's Chapel. I encourage both the parents to attend the session.

**Annual Mass for bereaved families Sept 2018-Sept 2019:** families that lost their loved ones during the mentioned period are requested to come and join in the Mass of thanksgiving to God for the life of their loved ones who God has called to himself. The Mass will take place on **29th Sept. at 3:30pm**. Please give the name of the deceased to Fr. Jimmy or one of the Parish Sisters if you intend to come.

**Day of Prayer for Vocations:** Saturday 26th October 2019 is our slot to pray for vocations. There will be an exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, some scripture reading and meditation on the Call o serve God in the Church.

**RCIA Program will start on 7th October 2019.** If you are an adult from 10 years and above who has not been baptised or who was baptised in other churches but you would like to be received into the catholic church, you are warmly welcome.

**Catechism for children** who go to non catholic schools started last Saturday. Classes start from 11:00-12:00noon every Saturday in the Lady's chapel.

**Job vacancy :** the Columban Missionaries invites applications for the part-time position of Communications Officer. Based in the Columban Mission Office at St. Columban's in Solihull. The role will develop and expand Columban communications in Britain, bringing the witness and experience of Columban missionaries to new people and new communities with empathy for our values and vision. For more information and to apply visit: [www.columbans.co.uk/join-us/communications-officer](http://www.columbans.co.uk/join-us/communications-officer) Tel: 01564 772 096 Email: [hr@columbans.co.uk](mailto:hr@columbans.co.uk). Deadline: Sunday 29th September.

**The Kenelm Youth Trust and the Vocations Office** for the Archdiocese of Birmingham warmly invite youth workers, parish youth leaders, catechists, lay chaplains in schools, pastoral workers and all those involved in mission and ministry with young people to the *Christ is Alive* Youth Ministry Conference Day on Saturday 28th September, 10am - 5pm at Alton Castle. The conference will explore the ideas and trends that emerged at Church's recent synod on young people, faith and vocational discernment. It will give food for thought as well as practical approaches to serving young people and keeping their voices at the heart of our ministry.

**Vocations Weekend for young women** is organised by the sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ) with the Theme: Discernment and Vocation from 29 Nov - 1 Dec 2019 in Liverpool. If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to ask questions and to meet others who are also wondering where God is calling them. For more information contact Sr Lynne fcJ at [lynnefcj@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnefcj@hotmail.com) or visit our website [www.fcjsisters.org](http://www.fcjsisters.org)