

### **MASSES 27th Oct to 3rd Nov 2019**

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| Sun   | 27 | 9.30am    | Domingos & Magdalena Miranda (RIP)  |
|       |    | 11.30am   | Anu Roberft Morfaw Lanigan family (Good health)<br>Emmanuel Eguogwu (Thanksgiving)  |
| Mon   | 28 | 12.00noon | Bridie (Good health), Vivian Texiera (RIP)  |
| Tues  | 29 | 9.30am    | Mary Bendal (RIP)   |
| Wed   | 30 | 9.30am    | Samantha A. (B'day)   |
| Thurs | 31 | 5.00pm    | Divine mercy prayers  |
|       |    | 6.00pm    | Sr. Antonia Joseph (RIP)  |
| Fri   | 01 | 9.30am    | People of the parish  |
|       |    | 6.30pm    | People of the parish  |
| Sat   | 02 | 9.30am    | Holy souls  |
|       |    | 6.30pm    | Departed members of the parish  |
| Sun   | 03 | 9.30am    | Dorota N., Maciola, Dorota Rutkouska, Paulina Jeizek,<br>Maria Nowakowska (RIP)     |
|       |    | 11.30am   | Mama Magdalene Akhenji, Mama Cecile Nzanda (RIP)<br>Emmanuel Eguogwu (Thanksgiving) |

### **Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers**

#### **27/10/2019**

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| 9.30am  | Nicholas, Veronica Carroll (R) |
|         | Betty Osagie (E)               |
| 11.30am | Mary, Patrick (R)              |
|         | Patricia, Lilian (E)           |

#### **03/11/2019**

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| Julia H. , Noah (R)     |
| Elizabeth P. (E)        |
| Michaela, Kisanette (R) |
| Serso, Marcel (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, Christopher Browne.

**Anniversaries during the week :** Sean Heavey, John Coyne, Paul Allen, James Williams, Faye Townley, Nora Stacy, Madeline Carey, Ellen Caldwell ,Edith Gardner, Gerry Seary , Denis Doran, Rosaleen McAndrew, Thomas Howe, Nora Lucid, Elizabeth Reid, Mary O'Brien, John Heavey, Ellen Duffy, Rose Donagher, John Sheridan, Joseph Reid, Theresa Hickey, Francis Moloney, Eamon Lusty, Frank McSorley, Joseph Sheridan .

Let us remember the departed souls and pray, Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may their souls and souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.



A.J. Missions



St. Osburg



Ss. Mary & Benedict



St. Elizabeth

### **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary time- Parish Newsletter- 27th Oct to 3rd Nov 2019**

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN ASSOCIATION- An opportunity for the Parish**

The month of October was announced and designated by Pope Francis as an extra ordinary missionary month in the church. In doing so the Pope wanted us to reflect on the missionary mandate of Jesus given to the Apostles shortly before His ascension into heaven. He said to them *“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you”* Matt. 28: 29. .

From the earliest days of Christianity, Christians of all generations followed this command of Jesus, In different ways and circumstances they witnessed to Him and to his teaching according to their circumstances of life. Those who enjoyed physical freedom preached freely and those who were in prisons preached him to others there too (Acts 16:25-34) . Some became courageous Martyrs like the Forty Martyrs of England & Wales, others became outstanding Pastors like St. John Vianney, Pope John Paul II, John Henry Newman; others lived heroic life of holiness like Mother Teresa of Calcutta, St. Teresa of Liesiux and others. The Church has given us thousand upon thousands of men and women; boys and girls even children whose life gives us an example to follow. We call them Saints.

Two months ago a group of women responding to the teaching of Jesus and to the call of Pope Francis, to participate in the missionary call of the church, formed **Catholic Women Association**. They were commissioned at St. Chad's Cathedral and sent among parishes throughout the Archdiocese to be missionaries in their own circumstances according to their ability. Thanks to God that a good number of those commissioned are members of St. Mary and St. Benedict Church. They are not mandated to make miracles among us but to live their Christian life in an extraordinary way in the ordinary circumstances of their lives. On 3rd November they will be introduced during the 11.30am Mass and later entertain us on cups of tea and coffee. The CWA will have an impact on our Parish if we give them full support by increased membership, co-operating with them in their prayer life and by living a true Christian life.

The existence of our Parish community for over hundred years has been due to the Christians who respond positively to the call to be missionaries. Even today parishners engage locally in different missionary activities that keep our parish faithful to the command of the Lord. Some respond as readers of the Word of God, others as cleaners of our church to make it beautiful, others use their voices to sing and to praise God through choir ministry. There are those who provide social out reach and care to the elderly and to the youth. I cannot forget those who generously make material and financial donations to the church. When we put these and many more together, we contribute to the expansion and existence of the Kingdom of God in our own time. As all these ministries make visible the presence of God's Kingdom amongst us, it is important to ask oneself 'what am I doing or what can I do to participate and to advance the missionary call given to the Church?' I wish CWA every success . You are earthen wear vessels that hold this treasure. Be mindful of your vulnerability.

**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.

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**Parish Development**

**Collection:** Gift Aid: 317.00

**Non-Gift Aid:** 383.01

**Total :** £700.01

**Counters :** Vera & Phil

**Mass Attendance :** 541

**Bonus Ball :** No.

**2nd collections :** for the month of Nov—Dec : 3rd Nov. Retired & Infirm Clergy ; 24th Nov. Catholic Youth service; 8th Dec. Poor parishes fund.

**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:** Saturday 8.00am to 9.30am

**Confessions** : Every Saturday from 10am to 11.00am

RCIA Sessions: Every Monday at 6.00pm

Catechism for FHC : Every Saturday at 11.00am

**Parish Christmas bazaar for 2019** will be on November 30th at 1:00pm Please keep this date in your diaries. Raffle tickets are available at the piety stall, buy them as a gesture of your support to build up the church development fund. Other items for bottle stall, Tombola, food hampers and Bric a Brac are needed. Please be generous in providing the items for the bazaar.

**Remembrance Sunday:** Sunday, 11th November, will be Remembrance Sunday when we remember and pray for those who have died in past and present wars.

**Matters of Importance**

**Diocesan Safeguarding Office has changed face :** Mr Alan Hassall has recently taken up the post of permanent Head of Safeguarding for the Archdiocese. Alan is a qualified and registered social worker and has recently been working in a Local Authority but has also previously worked for the NSPCC. His work has involved working alongside agencies to develop safeguarding and create organisations safe for children and adults but also for those working and volunteering in them

**Month of November** invites us to pray for the Dead. Envelopes are available to write the names of those for whom you wish to pray during November – perhaps members of your family, or people who have helped you. Put your donation in the envelopes, place it in the box front of the altar and they will be remembered at Mass in the missions.

**All Saints Day and All Souls Day.** Friday, 1st November, is the Solemnity of All Saints which is a Holyday of Obligation. That means we should all do our best to attend Mass. There will be Mass at **9.30am and 6.30pm.** All Souls Day will be on Saturday, 2nd November. It is not a Holyday of Obligation, but if you wish to come and pray for your deceased family members and friends, there will be Masses here at **9.30am and 6.30pm.**

**Assistant Chaplain: St Benet's Hall University of Oxford** are looking for a person able, committed and experienced catholic candidate with excellent interpersonal and listening skills to fill this post in a Hall of the University of Oxford. **Salary: £12,000 plus accommodation and meals.** Application is by covering letter and CV, including contact details of at least two referees, submitted electronically by 5pm on Monday 11 November 2019 to [christine.gahan@stb.ox.ac.uk](mailto:christine.gahan@stb.ox.ac.uk). Interviews will be held on Wednesday 20 November 2019 at St Benet's Hall, Oxford. Female candidates are encouraged to apply. Any enquiries should be addressed to the Prior, Fr Oswald McBride at [pom@ampleforth.org.uk](mailto:pom@ampleforth.org.uk).

**The Bishops' Committee for Marriage & Family Life :** Miss Lianne Pape the Diocesan co-ordinator for the families in partnership with Home for Good, have organised a Marriage & Family Life Conference, on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018, to take place at Hinsley Hall, Leeds with the theme Adoption and Fostering: Why Bother? The aim is to discuss how to find loving homes where those who need loving and caring families can be found. I know you will not be able attend but keep them in your prayers. Details are found on the notice board.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time to be marked as **WORD OF GOD SUNDAY:** Pope Francis has declared that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God. This Sunday of the Word of God will thus be a fitting part of that time of the year when we are encouraged to strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to pray for Christian unity. This is more than a temporal coincidence: the celebration of the Sunday of the Word of God has ecumenical value, since the Scriptures point out, for those who listen, the path to authentic and firm unity.