

MASSES FROM 12th to 19th Aug 2018

Sun	12	9.30am	Clinton (B'day), Osagie Family (Thanksgiving)
		11.30am	Dorothy Maimo (Thanksgiving)
Mon	13	9.30am	Fr. Jimmy & Family (Spl int), Tony Smith (Get well)
Tues	14	9.30am	Sr. Leena & family (Spl int)
Wed	15	9.30am	John Costello (RIP)
		6.00pm	Antonia (B'day)
Thurs	16	10.30am	Requiem Mass - Patrick J. Keegan
Fri	17	9.30am	Charles Kishari, Albert Hunt (Anni)
Sat	18	9.30am	Henry Szurala (RIP), Julie & family (Thanksgiving)
Sun	19	9.30am	Winifred Busby (Anni), Sam & Anthonia Aikhionbare (Spl int)
		11.30am	Geraldine Deane , Patrick Cosgrove (RIP)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

12h Aug 2018

9.30am Julia H. & Nicholas (R)
Sophie (E)
11.30am Florence, Patrick (R)
Serso, Frank (E)

19th August 2018

Elena Wood, Desma (R)
Barbara (E)
Julie, Honorine (R)
Loveness, Vera (E)

Please pray for the sick of the Parish: Tony Groogan, Mary Mulrone, John Curriston, Gerard Griffith, Jane Patalong, Maria Drabik, Kath Muldoon, Patricia Waltho.

Anniversaries during this Week: Jim Jackson, Patrick Cosgrove , 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 , Grace Philomena McSweeney, Patrick Christopher Kirwan, Nora Philomena Josephine Reilly .



Dates for your diary:

- 9th September Mass for bereaved families Sept 2017-Sept 2018.
- 16th September Welcome Mass for the University students;
- 17th November X'Mas Bazar from 1.00pm to 4.00pm;
- 29th November Confirmation.

Thoughts to ponder: 'God dwells in our midst, in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar' (St. Maximillian Kolbe) Lord, help me to know you and the power of your resurrection, so that I may become like you in your death and by grace live a new life in the power of your Holy Spirit.



A.J. Missions



St. Osburg



Ss. Mary & Benedict



St. Elizabeth

Parish News letter– 19th Sunday in Ordinary time 12th to 19th Aug 2018

THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY A SURE HOPE FOR EVERY MOTHER

On Wednesday the 15th of August the church will celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven. The Assumption of Mary is different from her Immaculate Conception. One refers to her conception in the womb of her mother Anne while the other one refers to her glory in heaven.

In spite of her position, the Church has never attributed miraculous powers or so great influence to Mary. She is always portrayed as an ordinary woman going through the daily chores of life.

She is a girl at the prime of life trying to make sense out of the message brought by a stranger that she was going to become a mother. She is a confused mother desperately looking for a lost child. She is a woman rather upset that the young couple had run short of wine for their guests on their wedding day. She is also showed as a mother standing helpless by the cross seeing her son dying! If at all there is something special about the Blessed Virgin Mary, it is that she is like any other woman you can think of.

But ordinary things and ordinary people produce extraordinary things. Mary is Mother of God! It is through her that God became one with us. It was only through her that the first manifestation of Jesus as a God was first revealed when she told the steward at Cana: 'Do whatever He tells you'. Mary our Mother, is a model of our mothers. I could say that every person who loves his or her mother should find no difficulty in loving and honouring Mary the Mother of Jesus.



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Motherhood is a special vocation that God bestows upon those he wishes. It is a divine call whose end is to prepare a people that should become like Jesus Himself. Every mother who is faithful to her vocation and who is not afraid to let the sword pierce through her heart in fulfilling the Will of God will, like Mary, come into the presence of God. There is much to learn from Mary the Mother of Jesus.

Some other thing rarely spoken about is the "widowhood" of Mary. Yes, Mary was a widow after the death of her husband Joseph, leaving her to bring up the child Jesus singlehandedly. In her widowhood Mary worked hard to bring up Jesus who without personal claim was addressed by the crowds as Rabbi - teacher. It is that son who taught others the ways of virtue, a son who was willing to give up his life for his friends. Just as the navel reminds us that we have a mother, so all the attributes we can make to Jesus is a reminder to us that he had a mother who deserves our every respect. Oh, Mary Mother of Jesus, who was taken into heaven pray for us. AMEN.

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

Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid: £ 273.40 **Non-Gift Aid:** £386.33 **Total :** £659.73

Counters : Elizabeth & Patsy

Mass Attendance : 305

Bonus Ball : No.

Second collection :

Forthcoming Second Collections September—October 2018 :

Sept 16 : CASE ; Sept 23rd : Father Hudson's Society.

Pious Devotions

Prayer for priests every first Friday of the month from 6 – 7pm.

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

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.

Church cleaning: 8.00am to 9.30am

Confessions : Every Saturday from 10am to 11.00am

Feast days during the week: 14th August : Maximilian Kolbe Priest and Martyr. **15th Aug Solemnity of the Assumption** of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy day of obligation. **There will be two Masses at 9.30am and 6.00pm**

The glory of Christ in His revelation (Transfiguration) and the glorification of God in the Assumption of our Mother give us hope and courage to labour for the integrative liberation and salvation of all.

Confirmation classes for children who are studying in other schools or are eligible

for Sacrament of Confirmation, will begin from Saturday 15th September at 5.00pm in the Lady's Chapel.



RCIA— classes will begin on 10th September at 6.00pm. In the Lady's Chapel. Participants will meet weekly for nine months. If you are interested, please contact **Fr. Jimmy or one of the sisters on 07906124756/02476550848.**



Alton Castle, the Diocesan Youth Centre: will feature on BBC Songs of Praise this Sunday (12th) at 12.25pm. It'd be great if people tuned in to see the amazing work

Matters of Importance

Harvington Hall Pilgrimage: The Deanery is organising a coach for this Pilgrimage on Sunday 2nd September. The coach will leave Christ the King at 1.30pm and will return at approximately 7.00pm. The cost will be £10 and can be booked with Fiona at Christ the King, 76 591618.



Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE) : Archbishop Barnard Longley has commissioned a review of our current safeguarding/child protection practices in light of the National catholic Policies and Procedures. This review is being conducted by an independent charity call SCIE (Social Care Institute for Excellence). As a part of the review, SCIE would like to speak with any individuals who have had experience with any safeguarding issues within the Archdiocese , and gave experience of working with our parish safeguarding representatives and the safeguarding team at the Archdiocese. If you are able to contribute to this import review and share your experiences with SCIE then please contact Hugh Constant (Hugh.Constant@scie.uk or 020 77667374 or 07872602207) .

Blessing of the Graves: The Deanery is organising the Blessing of the Graves again this year in September. The dates are as follows:

St Paul's - 9th September at 3.00pm; Canley - 16th September at 3.00pm,

Lenton's Lane – 23rd September at 3.00pm; London Road – 30th September at 3.00pm.

The Diocese wants to employ Vocations Promotion Outreach Field workers,

to support the Vocations Office in guiding individuals with their discernment. Working under the direction of the Vocations Director the appointees will work to support the Vocations Office mission of fostering vocations to the priesthood and religious life within the context of developing a culture of vocation the schools/Multi Academy Companies (MACs), Parishes and university chaplaincies of the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

These are full-time (35 hours per week), permanent roles, involving some evening and weekend work and the ability to travel throughout the Archdiocese.

As a new Vocations Promotion Outreach Fieldworker, you will need to: be an advocate and supporter of schools/MACs and deanery/parish vocations initiatives and programmes; foster a culture of vocations within schools/MACs, parishes, university chaplaincies and the wider community; be able to build up a network of contacts and resources in support of vocations; be able to design publicity material for the office using graphic design software. act as a first point of contact for resources and support; and respond to requests for vocations initiatives.

You will need to be educated to degree (or equivalent) level and have highly developed verbal, written and presentation skills with a passion to bring Christ, and His message alive.

For any informal discussion about this role, please contact Fr. Michael Dolman, Vocations Director on 0121 321 5142. Please contact Human Resources at the Archdiocese for a copy of the job description/person specification for this role – email: gerry.dryden@rc-birmingham.org. Application for this role is via your CV with a covering letter, detailing why you are interested in this position and how your skills and experience match those required for it. Closing date for receipt of applications: noon – Friday 31st August 2018 Interview date: Week commencing 17th September 2018