

MASSES FROM 8th to 15th May 2016

Sun	08	9.30am	Harry McGorman (Anni) Mr & Mrs Tran (Spl Int)
		11.30am	Clarence Kongoroto (RIP)
Mon	09	9.30am	Mary Sheridan (RIP), Francis Trill (Anni)
Tue	10	9.30am	Sisters of St Ann (Thanks giving) NG (Thanks giving)
Wed	11	9.30am	Michael Campbell (Spl Int)
Thurs	12	9.30am	Sid Vernon (RIP) M. Melvis (Spl Int)
Fri	13	9.30am	Gladys (Birthday)
Sat	14	9.30am	Margaret Anderson (Spl Int) Emmanuel (Birthday)
		10.00am to 11.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions
Sun	15	9.30am	Betty Osagie (Birthday) Ken Ferris (Anni)
		11.30am	M Melvis (Spl Int), Edith Epoke-Obasuyi (Spl Int)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 8th May 2016

9.30 am Julia, Asipita
Barbara (E)

11.30am Janet, Emmanuella
Serso, Marcel (E)

Weekend 15th May 2016

Kisaneth, Roisin
Jean Hoey (E)

Maria, Kate
Vera, Marcel (E)

RIP: Paul Kordes

Anniversaries during this Week: Harry McGorman, Patrick Owen Murray, Edward James Kavanagh, Matthew Tanner, Martin Duffy, William Clisham, Patrick Lanaghan, Danny Rodgers, Thomas Sweeney, Elizabeth Morgan, Leo Pinto, Christina Doyle, Moira Davis, Thomas McDonagh, Christy Benson, Mary Ellen Healy, Mary Dunnion

Please pray for the sick of the Parish: Eileen McHugh, Tony McKiernan, Mary Mulrone, Philomena Dunleavy, John Curriston, Gerard Griffith, 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, Phyllis Mulvey, Kath Muldoon, Bizmana-Rene Mandevu.



A.J Missions



St. Osburgs



St. Marys



St. Elizabeths

Parish Newsletter - Ascension of the Lord 8th to 15th May 2016

IT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW THIS:

The Catholic Church has long history and experience which stretches over 2000 years. No any other church no matter how popular, influential and noisy it may be on your street has a long history like the Catholic Church. It has had 21 Ecumenical Councils over a period of 2000 years. Ecumenical Councils are assemblies of Patriarchs, Cardinals, presiding Bishops, Abbots, male Superior Generals of Religious Orders and other juridical persons, nominated by the Pope. They meet to discuss matters of faith and Church discipline. The wisdom of the Catholic Church is found in the teaching and decision of its Councils whose validity comes only when they are approved by the Pope.

- 1. The First Council of Jerusalem** was held in Jerusalem around 50 AD. It was occasioned by the insistence of certain Jewish Christians from Jerusalem that pagans who converted to Christianity obey the Mosaic custom of circumcision. A delegation, led by the apostle Paul and Barnabas, was appointed to confer with the elders of the church in Jerusalem. The apostles were present.
- 2. The First Council of Nicaea (A.D. 325)** was held in order to bring out the true faith and teaching of the church declaring the divinity of God the Son to be one substance and one nature with that of God the Father as opposed by the heresy of Arius who denied the divine nature of Jesus. African theologians played a principal role in the definition of our faith. Such were Cyril of Alexandria. From this Council we have the Nicene Creed.
- 3. The First Council of Constantinople (A.D. 381)** upheld the true faith against the Arians but fought Apollinarian and Macedonian heresies which denied the Godhead of the Holy Spirit. The dogma of the Church about the Holy Spirit was again stated and the words inserted into the Nicene Creed declaring the truth that the Holy Spirit proceeded from both the Father and the Son.
- 4. The Council of Ephesus (A.D. 431)** dealt with the Motherhood of Mary. It defined the Catholic dogma that the Blessed Virgin is the Mother of God and presented the teaching of the truth of one human and divine person in Christ. The Council was convened against the heresy of Nestorius.
- 5. The Council of Chalcedon (A.D. 451)** was convened to answer the Eutychian or Monophysite heresy which had denied the two natures in Jesus. It affirmed the doctrine of two natures in Christ; he is truly human and truly divine.
- 6. The Second Council of Constantinople (A.D. 553)** is sometimes referred to as the Council of the Three Chapters because its chief work was to condemn the writings and teaching of Theodore of Mopsuestia, the erroneous portions in the writings of Theodoret, and the letters of Ibas. It reaffirmed the dogmas stated by the third and fourth General Councils.

To be continued...



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Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid: 336.31 Non-Gift Aid £ 535.25 Total: £ 871.76 Thank you.

Counters 8th May Sandra McAvoy, Maureen Jones

Bonus Ball : No. 22 Julia Hunt

Mass Attendance 1st May 605

Second Collection: 8th May Catholic Communications

19th June Day for Life

26th June Peter's Pence

Pious Devotions

Divine Mercy prayers every last Thursday of the month 6.30 – 7.30pm.

Prayer for priests every first Friday of the month from 6.30 – 7.30pm.

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

The church is open from 8:00am to 7:00pm throughout the week. You are all welcome to pass through the Door of Mercy and spend time in prayer.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place next Saturday 14th May and depending on numbers, a bus will leave from Christ the King car park at 8am and will return at 9pm. If you wish to book a place please contact Christ the King Presbytery on 024 76 591618.

Next Sunday is Pentecost the birthday of the Church. Please pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit to guide you in all that you do and to strengthen you in all the good works that you fulfil in your daily life.

First Holy Communion: The children will receive the Sacrament of first Holy Communion on Saturday 21st May at 10.30am. There will be a rehearsal on Monday 16th May at 6.00pm in the Church. Let us support them with our prayers.

Cake sale in support of training of Missionary priests-Apostles of Jesus will be this Sunday 8th May 2016. Thank you for the goodwill and generosity shown by each and every one of you.

Second Saturday Catholic Convention and Healing Service led by Fr Soji Olikkal will take place on 14th May 2016 from 8.00am to 4.00pm at Bethel Convention Centre, Kelvin Way, West Bromwich, B70 7JW. All are welcome.

World communication Day: is marked on this day of the Ascension of the Lord with the theme "*Go out to the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to all creation*" Lk 16:15. Communication lies at the heart of the gospel. It is the foundation of life and development of the church. Our parish must be sure to be communicating the gospel using the various means at its disposal. The first place where we need to communicate the gospel is in our homes, by sharing our own faith with others. The gospel has much to say to our world. In this digital age of immediate communication where information is easily accessible to the world stage. There will be a second collection to support those who work in the media to communicate the Word of God.

Our English Martyrs: Last Wednesday was the Feast of the English Martyrs men and women of our land who courageously gave witness by professing Jesus Christ and by faithfully remaining loyal to the Catholic Church. Of these martyrs, 42 have been canonised and a further 242 martyrs have been declared blessed. The persecution lasted 150 years and left a permanent mark on English culture. We are living in a quieter time but we too have our own temptations trials of faith. As Jesus tells us, "Your endurance will win you life"

Sacramental Register and Data protection: The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales requires the holders of baptism, marriage and convalidation registers and other registers containing personal data – both manual and electronic – not to make them available for research until 110 years have passed. Archdiocese of Birmingham Ad Clerum – April 2016 Page 4 of 14 The purpose of this requirement is to comply with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998 <https://www.gov.uk/data-protection>. Anyone holding personal data is legally obliged to comply with this Act. If a register includes entries less than 110 years old, it is standard archival practice to tie the pages containing these pages and allow the entries more than 110 years old to be examined.

Month of May is dedicated to Mary our Mother who is the Mother of mercy. Let us pray the Rosary in our families and ask our mother to intercede for our families that our families may be blessed with peace and love where every member finds joy and happiness in the company of each other. We also pray for all the refugees who are driven away from their homes and are separated from their families.