

MASSES FROM 17th to 24th January 2016

Sun	17	9.30am	Michael Clear (Spl Int) Catherine Groogan (Anni) Stephnie Osagie (Birthday)
		11:30am	Bavan Peter Komba (Anni)
Mon	18	9.30am	Mick & Rose Hogan (Spl Int)
Tue	19	9.30am	Sr Leena (Spl Int)
Wed	20	9:30am	Sr Leera (Spl Int) Mike Hyland (Anni)
Thurs	21	9.30am	Pat & Kathleen Cole (Spl Int) Cis Dunnion & Family (Spl Int)
		6.30pm	Adoration
Fri	22	6.30pm	Adoration
		7.00pm	Kath McDermott (Spl Int)
Sat	23	9:30am	Currison Family (Spl Int)
		10.00 –11.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions
Sun	24	9.30am	Michael Campbell (Spl Int) Dominic Tran (RIP)
		11.30am	Vincent & Sharon Fernandes (RIP)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 17th January 2016

9.30 am Roisin, Julia
Bridie (E)
11.30am Stephen, Victoria
Vera, Sr Lydwin (E)

Weekend 24th January 2016

Nazareth, Asipita
Betty Osagie (E)
Julie, Jennifer
Serso, Sr Leera (E)

RIP: Etna Bannon

Anniversaries during this Week: Linval George Morant, Florence Maggs, William Williamson Stewart, Mary Jane Bohan, Angela Dunnion, Christopher Mooney, Dolores Kealy, Garry Mark Wood, Eugene Pinto, Michael Hyland, Francis Hannon, Sylvia Forrest, Kathleen Waters, William Peyton.

Please pray for the sick of the Parish:, Eileen McHugh, Tony McKiernan, Theodor Vaz, Mary Mulroney, Philomena Dunleavy, John Currison, Gerard Griffith, Paul Kordes, 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.



A.J Missions



St. Osburgs



St. Marys



St. Elizabeths

Parish Newsletter Second Sunday 17th to 24th Jan 2016

THE MATERIAL THINGS OF THE CHURCH:

Priests and religious are trained to do daily meditation on the word of God. Meditation brings about an examination of conscience and finding a direction in one's life and ministry. If a priest has some responsibilities in the church as most of them do, the mind might wander away or go astray to think about things in his administration other than the word of God. Some thoughts came to me the other day: *Why do some people not value the things of the church? For example why do some people not care to close the doors to keep heat in but at their own homes it comes spontaneously? Why do some people switch on electricity lights even when it is clear and a bright day? Why do some people use 4 gallons of water to wash a cup? Why are some people not bothered to spit chewing gum in the church floor but they would never think of doing so in their house?*

As my mind rambled on I remembered the teaching of Jesus comparing the owner of the sheep and a hired man when the wolf attacks the sheep. According to the teaching of the Lord, the hired man would run away and abandon the sheep, he would care less whether the sheep are safe or not; what would matter to him would be his personal safety (Jn. 10:11-13).

The church to which you and I belong is ONE and UNIVERSAL; it is one family. The way I handle church's property here contributes to the welfare of the church somewhere. I have great admiration for those Christians who raise funds for the church, by doing so they teach us that the material welfare of the church is as important as its spiritual welfare. The love of God cannot be separated from the love of the church and the love of the church cannot be separated from the love of the people and all that belongs to the church. It is good to behave as shepherds not as hired men when handling the goods of the church whatever they may be. True membership in the church imposes on us the duty to respect and to carefully use the things that the church possesses. Remember again the reaction of the true shepherd and a hired man when the wolf comes. The prosperity of a parish depends also on the feeling of belongingness that its members have.



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Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid: 158.50 Non-Gift Aid 551.42 Total: £ 709.92

Thank you.

Counters 17th Jan Sandra McAvoy, Maureen Jones

Bonus Ball : No 8 Maureen Jones

Mass Attendance 10th January **595**

Train a Apostles of Jesus Priest £56.40

Second Collection: 6th March Cathedral Maintenance

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.

If any parishioner is sick or in hospital, please inform the Parish Priest or one of the Sisters. It is important that Catholics on admission to hospital ask for their religion to be recorded and request a visit from the Catholic Chaplain.

Pastoral Matters

Monday Club will resume on Monday 25th January 2016. I thank all those who had been volunteering their time to organize it and all those who supported it for the past years. I welcome the new members who volunteer to render their service to continue this service to the elderly and wish them all the best in their work.

Octave of Christian unity: That is eight days of prayer for the unity of all who call on the name of Jesus will start on Monday 18th January until 25th January the feast of the conversion of St. Paul. Please put this intention in your prayers, but above all work for the unity of all the children of God.

Year of Mercy, Birmingham Catholic Youth service Resource launch: An evening of faith & fellowship to launch the Year of Mercy Resources for Parish Youth Ministry with input from Kenelm Youth Trust Chaplain, Fr Michael Dolman on Tuesday 26th January at St Mary's convent of Mercy, Handsworth from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. Details are on the notice board.

Parish Youth Ministry Training Day-RECHARGE will take place on Sunday 13th March from 10.00am to 5.30pm at Don Bosco House Coleshill, B46 3EA. Interested persons please contact Youth Ministry Coordinator to book a place. Email: maria.bracken@bcys.co.uk Details of the programme are on the notice board.

Annual Diocesan Mass to commemorate the anniversary of the Assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero this year will take place on Tuesday 8th March at 1.00pm at St Chad's Cathedral. The principal celebrant will be Fr Gerry Murray the Chairman of the diocesan Justice and Peace Commission.

The Rite of Election will take place on Sunday 14th February at 3.00pm in Saint Chad's Cathedral. At that ceremony, parish priests will present candidates who are doing RCIA programme to the Archbishop who will authorise them to be baptised or received into full communion with the Catholic Church when their course is finished.

Cardinal Newman School: we welcome the students of Cardinal Newman Secondary School who are leading us in the singing this Sunday. We thank you for making yourselves involved to advance the Catholic ethos of the school. I wish to ask the parents always to consider sending their children to Catholic schools before searching elsewhere.

Faith in Politics: Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales provides recently graduated Catholics with an intensive experience of political and social action in a spiritual context. This year they are looking to offer up to eight internships, including placements with Christian MPs at Westminster; a parliamentary support role within the Bishops' Conference Secretariat; with the Catholic Agencies CAFOD and CSAN in social action and public policy roles, and a media and communications internship in Archbishop's House Westminster. Our mailing address is: Catholic Trust for England and Wales 39 Ecclestone Square London, London SW1V 1BX United Kingdom There's still time to apply so if you fit the bill or know someone who does, please apply now.