

MASSES FROM 19th to 26th June 2016

Sun	19	9.30am	Bernadette Doran (Spl Int), James Byrne (B'day remembrance)
		11.30am	Clyde Thompson (Birthday)
Mon	20	9.30am	Kathleen Concanon (Get-well)
Tue	21	9.15am	Mass in the school
Wed	22	9:30am	James Domican (RIP)
Thurs	23	9.30am	Bernard Weaver (RIP)
Fri	24	9.30am	Deusdedit Mbonesho Ngalula (RIP)
Sat	25	9.30am	Sally Jennings (RIP)
10.00am –11.00am			Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions
Sun	26	9.30am	Fr Jimmy (Ordination Anni) Emmanuel Osagie (Birthday)
		11.30am	Anne Dunnion (Anni)

Feast Days : 22nd June St John Fisher & St Thomas Moore
24th June Birth of John the Baptist

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 19th June 2016

9.30 am Asipita, Elena
Elizabeth (E)

11.30am Kumbirai, Cynthia
Vera, Serso (E)

Weekend 26th June 2016

Sr Leera, Julia
Jean Hoey (E)

Julie, Stella
Marcel, Serso (E)

Anniversaries during this Week: Patsy Cooke, Bridget Meehan, William Maggs, Daniel Murphy, Martin Ward, Minnie Byrne, Timothy O'Driscoll, Baby Cara Whelan, Patrick Francis Hallinan, Maura Donnelly, Teresa McManus.

Please pray for the sick of the Parish: Eileen McHugh, Tony McKiernan, Mary Mulroney, Philomena Dunleavy, John Currison, 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 - Twelfth Sunday 19th to 26th June 2016

YOU TOO ARE LIVING STONES MAKING A SPIRITUAL HOUSE

In 2004, I went to Argos Store - Mandar Shopping Centre in Wolverhampton to buy a wrist watch. I had had enough trouble with watches as they never lasted no matter how durable they had been advertised to be. This time I wanted to buy the cheapest one I could get in store. In Argos things can get complicated; there seem not to be staff serving customers as customers are engrossed in catalogues looking for bargains. I did not want to waste time, I went straight to the help desk and I asked to be supplied with *"the cheapest watch in store"* The lady returned with a wrist watch "it is £3:99 she said. I paid the money and I went home with a watch whose service lifespan I thought would not last a week. I deceived myself because that watch has faithfully served me for 12 years.

The other day when I woke up, I noticed that the watch had stopped. I took it for repair I was showed a very tiny piece of metal which was worn out and broken That is what had made the watch to stop working. As I stood there wondering whether my 12 years old watch would gets fixed, I visualised the nature of a parish and the Church in general. Our position and individual responsibility in the church might be compared to the wrist watch you are putting on your hand today. In order for it to keep good time each part, however small, must do its work and do it well. If one part stops working, it will slow the watch down or stop it altogether. Each part must do it's work and it's own work, however when all these separate functions are put together they make up what we call a good watch.

This simply illustrates that each member of the parish big or small, young or old native or immigrant who arrived this morning, all of us have responsibilities in the church as a whole and in the local parish to which we belong.

I have spent sometime examining and exploring the walls of St. Osburgs church and I asked myself: "were the monks who built the church tired or were they serving a sentence"? From outside the walls of St. Osburg church are made up of rocks thrown here and there such that beauty and strength are not seen at once. But take sometime and you discover that there is something special here; different stones with different shapes and sizes fit into their places and do their work well to support the building. The differences among us create beauty and strength that make a parish vibrant and dynamic. Because we are living stones, you have to play your part. The Church is like the human body, different parts different functions and same healthy body.. Now we don't expect a house to stand for very long if you start taking a brick out here and a brick out there. Each time you take a brick out, the overall structure gets weaker. If you take many bricks out, the structure will fall. We cannot expect the work of the church to go on smoothly and to be successful without you being part of it.



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Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid: 168.42 Non-Gift Aid £ 539.97 Total: £ 608.39 Thank you.
Counters 19th June Vera Dunnion, Julia Harte
Bonus Ball : No. 27 Rose Dunham
Mass Attendance 12th June 472
Second Collection: 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.

Youth Meeting: There will be a youth meeting this Sunday 19th June 2016 immediately after the 11.30am Mass in the parish hall. I invite all the young people of our parish both old and the new members to be present at this meeting.

Young Scholars Conference: Do you know that many people these days are no longer jobseekers but job creators? What would you prefer to become an employer one day or to remain an employee even when you don't like the job? Well Catholic youth of St. Marys and Benedict parish through their choir have organised a conference for the parishioners and young people who dream of achieving the best out of their studies. This is a scholarly conference with inspirational professional entrepreneurs who wish to speak to young people on issues such as foreign exchange / Investments / wealth management, IT opportunities, opening and running a business, working with people of diverse culture, 'the importance of questions' and much more. This will hold on 16th July 2016 at 5pm. The venue is St Mary's and St Benedict Catholic church hall, CV1 5QF. You are all invited.

Baptism preparation course for parents who wish to have their children baptised will be on **Monday 4th July 2016 at 5.30pm** in the parish hall.

Confirmation Date: Bishop William Kenny will celebrate Holy Mass here on the Wednesday 5th October 2016 at which he will confirm children from our school. If you have a child who goes to a non-Catholic school or if you were not confirmed and you wish to be confirmed, please contact Fr. Jimmy our Parish priest.

Confirmation Meeting for parents will be on Tuesday 21st June 2016 at 3.15pm at the school. I strongly request all the parents of those children who will be making their Confirmation to be present for the meeting without fail. The Mass of presentation of the Confirmands will be on Sunday 26th June 2016 at 9.30am. Please I encourage all the parents to accompany their children at this Mass.

RE inspection in our school by the Diocese will take place on Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd June 2016. There will be no Mass in the church on Tuesday 21st June instead the Mass will be celebrated in the school at 9.15am. You are all welcome to join the school Mass. As a Catholic school serving an inner city, the population of St. Mary and Benedict Primary School is diverse. Pupils come from a wide variety of backgrounds with over 65% of pupils having English as an additional language and 77% coming from ethnic minority background. This is a significant increase since our last inspection. The school's cultural diversity is celebrated through our curriculum and ethos. 61% of pupils are baptised Catholics the school is situated in an area with high levels of economic deprivation. The school's deprivation factor is 0.45 well above the national average with 47% of pupils eligible for Free School Meals. I wish to invite parents to join the children for Holy Mass in the school on Tuesday 22nd June as the Inspection begins.

Coventry Pioneer Regional Committee invite you to their ANNUAL PIONEER RALLY On Saturday, 18th June 2016 at The Pioneer Hall, Broad Street, Foleshill, Coventry, CV6 5AX, commencing at 6.30pm with Mass followed by Social and Dance. Refreshments provided. Entertainment by Little Jimmy.

Referendum Polling Day Thursday 23rd June: Coventry City Council will once again use the nursery school for polling day. The area will be secured for the whole day as polling will be going on. Please remember that the School will remain open on Thursday. Nursery and Reception pupils will be taught from the Main school

A new sound System has been installed in our church. I would be interested to get the feedback on its performance. Please let me know whether the loop system is functioning to your satisfaction. Your comments will be of great help in knowing the effectiveness of the new system.

Sunday 26th June will be Fr. Jimmy's Ordination anniversary please remember him in your prayers. One of his favourite prayer is this: "There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life." We wish him a fruitful ministry among us.