MASSES FROM 21st to 28th Aug 2016 Sun 21 9.00am Sean Osagie (Birthday) Anthony Braganza (Anni)				
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		11.30am	Patrick McCauley (Anni) Texiera Family (Thanks giving)	
			Serso & Family (Thanks giving)	
Mon	22	9.30am	Fr Jimmy's Intention	
Tue	23	9.30am	Aishinz Noone (Getwell)	
Wed	24	9:30am	Tom Lonegan (RIP)	
Thurs	25	6.30pm	Divine Mercy Prayers	
		7.30pm	Robert Skelly (RIP)	
Fri	26	9.30am	Anonymous (Spl Int)	
Sat	27	9.30am	James Lloyd Cameron (Get well)	
			Patrick Tanner (Get well)	
10.00am –11.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions				
Sun	28	9.00am	Tosh Aikhionbare (Birthday)	
		11.30am	People of the parish	

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

	<u> LCCCOI</u>	Z Edenaristic Willisters		
Weekend	d 21st Aug 2016	Weekend 28th Aug 2016		
9.00 am	Asipita, Sr Lydwin	Julia, Sr Leera		
	Betty Osagie (E)	Barbara (E)		
11.30am	Florence, Honorine	Julie, Patrick		
	Sr Leera, Marcel (E)	Serso, Sr Lydwin (E)		

<u>Anniversaries during this Week</u>: William Green, Andy Mooney, Johannah Ward Mamie Dunleavy, Pat Whelan, Pat Sheehan, Catherine Elliott, Frances Smyth.

Please pray for the sick of the Parish: Eileen McHugh, Tony McKiernan, Mary Mulroney, 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.

<u>Death announcement</u>: We regret to announce that Albert Hunt father to Julia Hunt passed away on Tuesday 16th August 2016 .at Walsgrave Hospital. We extend our condolences to the bereaved members of the family especially to his daughter Julia Hunt.

Former parishioner, Mary Keane (formerly of Welland Road) died in Lichfield few weeks ago. Mary was a parishioner in St Marys from February 1978 – December 2008 when she moved to Lichfield to be near her daughter. Some of us might remember her. Please remember her in our prayers.









A.J Missions

St. Osburgs

St. Marys

St. Elizabeths

Parish News letter 21st Sunday 21st to 28th Aug 2016

THIS WREATH WILL WITHER; FIGHT FOR THE ETERNAL

Mahatma Gandhi once said that 'poverty is the worst form of violence' this proved true for some of us who do not have the opportunity to watch all the Olympic games on the television because as you know some extra channels including sports channels are paid for separate from the ordinary TV Licence fee all of us pay for. If you are financially unable to pay for those channels, all you have to do is to be stuck with the programs given by the BBC.

Whether you have extra sports channels or you depend on the four television channels (BBC 1, BBC2, ITV and Channel 4) like myself, watching the Olympians on the TV challenged my Christian behaviour. In all sports, human endurance is put to the test, every aspect and rule of the game is kept right, no competitor wants to be disqualified. The competitors carry the hope of the nations, It is a loss not only to the player or to the team but to the whole country when the competitor does not qualify. On the centrally the whole country is set ablaze with happiness when one of their national wins. What a shame to the American nation that some of its Olympians stage-managed a robbery and claimed it against the Brazilian people, so as to make headlines for themselves!

If you translate the Olympics into our Christian life, then you come to understand how each one of us must work hard to go to heaven (and not to be disqualified). Olympics remind us that salvation is <u>not a personal matter but real team work</u>. Olympics remind us that <u>eternal damnation</u> of anyone of us <u>is a terrible disaster just</u> as <u>the failure of a player is a national disaster!</u>

Practice makes perfect. The Olympians practiced their routines for hundreds of times, that is why they could perform those routines, some of them in synchronised manner that we are left wondering how on earth they could do that! The secret of their success is in practice. This reminds us that *unless Christian faith is practiced again and again, we cannot become perfect followers of Jesus*. This I'm sure of: people whose relationship with the church is at baptism and at the funeral, they will remain shallow in the practice of faith.

It is most likely that St. Paul attended Olympic games in Athens at one time. He saw the physical cost upon the man in terms of training and straining but the winner received merely a wreath of green leaves which withered away shortly afterwards. Nevertheless this taught him a lesson, he saw the demands of Christian life and related them to the demands of the games. (1Cor. 9:25-27). The fundamental difference between a Christian and Olympian is that while the Olympian received a wreath which withered away, the Christian would receive a wreath which would never wither. Well as a Christian keep on fighting to win the wreath that is eternal all the rest is vanity.



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Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid: 214.03 Non-Gift Aid £ 509.39 Total: £ 723.42 Thank you.

Counters 21st Aug Pat Edwards, Will Edwards

Mass Attendance 14th August 416

Bonus Ball: No 55 Julia Hunt

Second Collection: 11th Sept Catholic Education Service

18th Sept Catholic Evangelization

25th Sept Walsingham Shrine

9th Oct CAFOD

23rd Oct World Mission Sunday

6th Nov Johnson Association (Retired & Infirm Clergy)

20th Nov 4th Dec Poor Parishes' Fund 11th Dec Fr Hudson's Society

Pious Devotions

 $\underline{\textbf{Divine Mercy}} \ prayers \ every \ last \ Thursday \ of the \ month \ 6.30-7.30 pm.$

<u>Prayer for priests</u> 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.

The Commemoration of 1000 years of St. Osburgs and the Catholic faith in Coventry. On 9th Sept. there will be civic event involving schools with a procession from Broadgate to Coventry Cathedral. On Sunday 11th Sept. at St. Osburg Church Arch. Bernard Longley will celebrate the Mass at 11:30am. This will be a denary event but St. Osburg will take the lead. Each school will be represented by 5 pupils with their banners Buffet provided in the hall by the deanery sharing the cost. St. Osburg will provide and serve liquid refreshments (wine and beverages)

<u>Fr David Burke</u> I wish to welcome Fr. David Burke who was brought up in our parish. He is here to see his family. Fr. David was ordained a year ago for the diocese of Archdiocese of Westminster, London.

Mass for the bereaved families who lost their dear ones in the course of the year Oct 2015 -Sept. 2016 will be on Sunday 2nd October 2016 at 4.00pm. The Mass is meant to bring all the families that have had a similar experience to pray together and to share in each other's loss. If you have lost a close relative and you want him/her to be included in this solemn event please contact the Parish priest or the Sisters.

<u>Cake sale</u> will take place on Sunday 4th September 2016. I thank the ladies who bake these delicious cakes in support of Train a Missionary Priest-Apostles of Jesus project. The making of these cakes is entirely their generosity. Thank you for supporting them by buying them. God bless you all.

<u>Charity Walk</u> - Due to some unavoidable circumstances the charity walk which was scheduled for 17th August did not take place. It is now rescheduled to be held on Wednesday 24th August 2016. Agnes Heffernan, Vera Dunnion, Tom Ferris, Betty Osagie, Anthonina Aikhionbare and our three parish sisters Leena, Leera and Lydwin-will walk ten miles to raise funds for the 'Train a Missionary Priest-Apostles of Jesus project. I wish them all the best in their goodwill and effort. Please find them at the back of the church to sponsor them.

A'Level Results Bp Ullathorne does it again. By Coventry Telegraph: At Bishop Ullathorne Catholic School students achieved the highest A level results in the school's history. 57% achieved the top A and B grades with a 99.3% pass rate. Esme Sharry achieved straight A* grades and will read Geography at Cambridge University. Isabella Rooney and Kiya Evans achieved 4 A* and 2 A grades between them and both will take their places at Oxford University. A number of students have accepted higher level apprenticeships rather than take their offered place at university. Headteacher, Jane Byrne, said she was thrilled for all the students, who not only worked exceptionally hard, but also contributed so much to the school community.

Marriage Reflection: God who created man and woman out of love also calls them to love the fundamental and innate vocation of every human being. For man is created in the image and likeness of God who is himself love. Since God created them male and female, their mutual love becomes an image of the absolute and unfailing love with which God loves man. It is good, very good, in the Creator's eyes. And this love which God blesses is intended to be fruitful and to be realized in the common work of watching over creation: "And God blessed them, and God said to them: 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and conquer it '

The Sunday Mass Time

St. Mary & St Benedict Sunday 9:00am instead of 9:30am

11:30am. (No change)

St. Osburg's Saturday for Sunday 5:30pm (No change)

Sunday 10:30am instead of 11:30am