

MASSES FROM 3rd to 10th January 2016

Sun	03	9.30am	Teresa Tran (Anni), Cissie & Jimmy Fitzgerald (Anni)
		11:30am	People of the parish
Mon	04	9.30am	Bridget Clear (Anni) Maryfrancis Emeka (Thanksgiving)
Tue	05	9.30am	Pat Keoghan (RIP), Maryfrancis Emeka (Spl Int)
Wed	06	9:30am	Anne Downey (RIP)
Thurs	07	6.30pm	Adoration
		7.00pm	Seamus Lynch (spl Int)
Fri	08	6.30pm	Adoration
		7.00pm	Pauline McDonald (Spl Int)
Sat	09	9:30am	Frank Kelly (Spl Int) NG (Spl Int)
		10.00 –11.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions
Sun	10	9.30am	Pearl & Derrick Irianan (Thanks giving)
		11.30am	People of the parish

Feast Days: 10th January Baptism of the Lord

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 3rd January 2016

Weekend 10th January 2016

9.30 am	Julia, Asipita	Sr Leera, Elena
	Sophie (E)	Jean Hoey (E)
11.30am	John, Julie	Honorine,
	Vera, Loveness	Serso, Sr Lydwyn (E)

Anniversaries during this Week:: Vittoria Giampaglia, Carmel Ryan, George Pilkington Peter Byrne, Caroline Balcarres, Bernard Joseph Doran, Tom Dunleavy, Dymphnah Glennon, Elizabeth Benson, Hugh Matthew O'Neill, Sean Costelloe, Thomas Patrick Joyce, Patrick Gannon, Michael Hogan, Jim Davis, Con O'Driscoll, Nono O'Brien, Eileen Helen Teresa Coleman.

Please pray for the sick of the Parish.: Eileen McHugh, Tony McKiernan, Theodor Vaz, Mary Mulroney, Philomena Dunleavy, John Curriston, 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 Epiphany Sunday 3rd to 10th Jan 2016

THIS COULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED AT ST. OSBURG:

I'm writing to thank you for supporting the work that has been done at St. Osburg since the Archdiocese of Birmingham handed it over to the Religious Missionary Institute of the Apostles of Jesus. I thank you particularly for responding to the window glazing of the house, it was overdue and necessary. Because of your support I was able to commission the work to start immediately. Double-glazing is completed, but interior work is still being done. In a week or so work will start on the gutters and down pipes. Due to damaged gutters we discovered that water had penetrated into the office floor making the carpet underlay wet and rotten.

In our work we were supported by other Christians outside St. Osburgs, they heard about our appeal, some read about it in the newsletter, but the point is they supported us in the sponsor- a-window project. Some special need to be made of Catholic Students of Coventry University who donated £82:00. Christ the King £400, **1** window, St. Anne Willenhall £1184 .00 **3** windows, St. Elizabeth £1172.26, **3** windows, St Marys £3438.13, **9** windows, St Osburgs £8601.13, **22** windows! Well done, thanks for your generosity. It was not out of your material abundance that you made these sacrifices but truly out of your poverty. Some pledges were made hopefully they will be honoured. While the job has been completed, the full cost of the windows has not been achieved.

There was also some negative criticism of why the windows needed to be done! Priests have lived in that house and they never complained! Another criticism came from the need to fix the gutters and down pipes. Someone asked me do you want to say that you are drowning? Well I have no answer to such questions what I know is that common sense and good management tells me that the work needs doing. Thank you for understanding this too and for giving your support



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Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid: 185.71 Non-Gift Aid 438.90 Total: £ 624.61

Thank you.

Counters 3rd Jan Agnes Heffernan, Tom Ferris

Bonus Ball : No

Mass Attendance 27th December **412**

Train a Apostles of Jesus Priest

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

Feast of Epiphany is celebrated today. Epiphany (from the ancient Greek ἐπιφάνεια, epiphaneia, "manifestation, striking appearance") is an experience of sudden and striking realization. In Christianity, Epiphany refers to a realization that Christ is the son of God. We celebrate the visit of the Magi as the revelation of the Incarnation of the infant Christ, and commemorate the Feast of the Epiphany usually on January 6. Our Christmas Crib has taken the central position in the sanctuary today indicating that the tiny Baby in the manger is not just another child that is born but **SOME-ONE** who is sent to touch the Humanity and transform it. He revealed himself as the awaited Messiah to the Magi's who came to worship him. Let us ask the Lord to open our spiritual eyes today as we gaze at this tiny baby in front of us. May we recognise his divinity and be transformed to spread the message of peace, healing and new life.

Thank You: I would like to thank you all for the support you have given to the Parish throughout the year 2015. For a good number of us, this support has been running for many years. I can assure you that no parish priest can run a parish without the support of his people. I'm so pleased that the involvement of everyone has made our parish to remain strong. I'm pleased too for the messages sent to me over Christmas and New Year. I'm quite sure that our parish Sisters have the same sentiments as myself. May God bless you all during this time.

RCIA course for the members of this parish who are preparing to be baptized or to be received into the Catholic Church will resume on Tuesday 12th January at 6:00pm in the parish hall. During these days of preparations one day they will go to St. Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham to be presented to the Archbishop who will receive them during a ceremony which is Ecclesiastically known as "The Rite of Election". Date and the time will be indicated sometime nearer the time.

Baptism preparation course for parents who wish to have their children baptized will be on Monday 11th January 2016 at 5.30pm in the parish hall. I request the parents to attend the session on time so that the preparations and the information concerning the baptism of your child be received accurately.

Congratulations to Uchenna Tony Okeke, our Choir Master who got married to Adaugo Ugorji last week in Nigeria. Also Pearl Osagie who married to Derrick Irianan yesterday in Nigeria. We implore God's blessings upon the newly wedded couple and we wish them a happy and fruitful married life.

Mercy has come to us: When Pope Francis announced the extraordinary jubilee Year of Mercy he as Shepherd and supreme pastor of the Church invited us to enter into the loving and compassionate relationship with Jesus. The Year of Mercy is a call to be aware that God's 'mercy endures forever', he calls us to conversion every day of our lives. As baptised people, we are literally 'soaked' in the mercy of God. Mercy is God's very nature, shared with us through Jesus. Through baptism we are given the power to be 'merciful like the Father. Being merciful starts in the home. Parents set the tone of what it means to be merciful with each other and with their children and more especially in their willingness to forgive. I'm very grateful to the pilgrims who pass through the Holy Door of Mercy at St. Mary's everyday to come to pray for God's mercy. It is a great act of faith in God's mercy which I'm sure will not pass his notice.