#### MASSES FROM 1st to 8th Nov 2015 01 9.30am Samantha Aikhionbare (Birthday) Sun 11:30am Intentions of the choir members Mon 02 12.30pm Holy souls 7.00pm Holy Souls 9.30am Molly Kelly (RIP) Tue Ken Vaughan (RIP) Wed 9:30am 6.30 pm Thurs 05 Adoration Victoria Uche (Thanks giving) 7.00pm 6:30pm Praver for Priests Fri Departed benefactors of SSA 7.30pm 07 9:30am Gerald Dunnion (Anni) Sat 10.00 -11.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions.

Sun	08	9.30am	Liam Canavan (RIP) Antonia Aikhionbare (Birthday)
11:30am People of the parish		11:30am	People of the parish

Feast Days: 2nd November The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

## **Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers**

<u>Weeken</u>	d 1st November 2015	Weekend 8th November 2015
9.30 am	Julia, Tom Ward	Nazareth, Sue Cutter
	Elizabeth (E )	Bridie (E )
11.30am	Irene, Kingsley	Mika, John
	Serso, Loveness (E)	Vera, Sr Lydwin (E )

Recently Departed: Sr Imelda ,Robert Skelly, Patrick Cosgrove, Imelda Haddock.

Anniversaries during this Week: Maureen Thornton, Ellen Roe, Danny Prosser, John Joseph Carey, Martin Muldoon, Mary Kavanagh, Pat Sheehan, Jim Maguire, John Lawrence O'Sullivan, Kevin Dunne, Margaret Scully, Eva Tierney, James Patrick McLaughlin, Mrs M. Glennon, Vincent McKeown, John Griffin, P. Prewitt.

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 Solemnity of all Saints 1st to 8th Nov 2015

### IF YOU WISH YOU CAN GIVE ME A WINDOW

Our parish news bulletin bears the pictures of the three parishes that are entrusted to the pastoral care of the Apostles of Jesus missionaries. The first time I heard about the plan to cut down on the number of Masses and to close parishes was in 2003. Cardinal Vincent Nichols, then our bishop spoke frankly about the shortage of priests which eventually called for the possible closing of some parishes. In the course of the discussions I took to the floor and I told the priests how horrified I was to hear that some parishes were going to beclosed! I know that a parish does not grow over night, generations of Christians make sacrifices and some spend their entire life time to build up their parish. A parish church is too precious to be closed, I said. That was in 2003.

At the time when the shortage of priests is evident, our parish of St. Osburgs has been given the assurance that it is here to stay by being entrusted to a Religious Missionary Order. The Order will provide it with priests so that the parish will not suffer the pressure that other parishes are likely to face. Anybody who understands the meaning of a priest in a parish will greatly appreciate the providential plan of God who has not left his people without shepherds.

Many people ask me from time to time: "when are the priests coming"? Well before the priests come I would like you to do some work on the house. The presbytery looks solid but there are many things that need doing, the major one is double-glazing the 53 windows.

I tendered the job and companies brought in their quotations. With the advice of the parish financial committee we have agreed on one. Each window will cost £386.13 including purchasing and fitting. I wish to appeal to your generosity not because you are rich but because you know what a good cause it is for the parish. You can join with someone to donate a window for the health and safety of the priests who will come to occupy St. Osburgs to minister to us. That window will continue to serve the priest who will proclaim the gospel to others after we have finished our work and gone. I'm pleased that three persons have donated three windows already. I'm very grateful to them.

If you wish to make a contribution to that please speak to me or to Fr. Moses. I'm asking you to support this cause because of the spiritual implication it has on our parish. Double-glazing the house will not only keep the place warm but also save on the heating costs.

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# **Parish Development**

Collection: Gift Aid: 206.00 Non-Gift Aid 584.55 Total:£ 790.55

Counters 1st November Elizabeth Hancock, Patsy Sproul

Bonus Ball: No 9 Rose Hogan

Mass Attendance 25th October 587

Train a Apostles of Jesus Priest

Second Collection: 15th Nov Mission Appeal-Sr Natalie Gomes

# **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  $13^{th}$  of every month between 2.00pm & 3.00pm. The Lady's chapel at St. Mary's is open from 9:00am to 7:00pm from Monday to Friday. It is closed on Wednesday.

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**

The Advent Walk with Me booklet The theme of for this year is Merciful Like the Father. The daily and Sunday reflections are rooted in Pope Francis' vision for the Holy Year of Mercy. Advent is a season of mercy and a time for us to discover the depths of God's mercy and love in sending his Son. Walk with Me can be a tool for the new evangelization and a wonderful resource to give to relatives, friends and work colleagues who are interested in discovering the true meaning of Christmas. The Walk with Me booklet retails at £1 per copy.

November is dedicated to the souls of the faithful departed. The Bible in the Book of Maccabees 2:38-45 carries a story of men fallen in battle under whose tunics were found amulets of the idols taken from a pagan shrine of Jamnia which the Law forbade. It became clear that this was why the men had lost their lives. Judas the leader of the army took a collection from the people and sent it to Jerusalem to have a sacrifice for sin offered. ....This was why he had this atonement sacrifice offered for the dead so that they might be released from their sins. It is important to pray for the dead they need our prayers as we shall need other people's prayers too. The envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please write the names of the deceased along with the offering and place it in the box at the altar.

<u>Baptism preparation course</u> for parents who wish to have their children baptised will take place on Monday 9th November 2015 at 5.30pm in the parish hall.

<u>Christmas Bazaar:</u> thanks to you all for working hard to see that we have a good bazaar on Saturday 28th November 2015 from 1.00pm to 4.00pm. We are acutely in shortage of tinned food, bottles of wine, spirits, soft drinks, toys, toiletries, cosmetics etc. Your donations of cash is highly appreciated.

<u>Raffle tickets</u> are available at the back of the church. Please buy them, take them and sell them to your friends. All the stubs and the money should be returned by Sunday 22nd November 2015.

<u>Could you please sponsor a Raffle prize</u>: We need a number of raffle prizes. If you wish to sponsor any of them please find the list at the piety stall and fill in your name.

**RCIA**: There are six candidates who are presently being instructed in our parish to be received into the Catholic Church at Easter 2016. Let us support them with our prayers as they make this journey of faith.

<u>Lectors meeting</u> for all those who take up readings at the 11.30am Mass will be on Sunday 1st November immediately after the 11.30am Mass in the Lady's Chapel.

<u>National Youth Sunday</u> will be celebrated on Sunday 22nd November 2015. The theme is Jesus our 'King of Hearts' The theme is to provoke thought, conversation and prayer around the question, 'WHO' or 'WHAT' rules my heart in the hope it will lead us to invite Jesus to become king of our hearts.