

MASSES FROM 25th Sept to 2nd Oct 2016

Sun	25	9.00am	Eddie Omoregie (B'day), Emma Ewah (B'day)
		11.30am	Esparanza (Thanksgiving), Ekow Sam (RIP)
Mon	26	9.30am	Richard Lilty (RIP)
Tue	27	9.30am	Catherine Graville (RIP)
Wed	28	9:30am	Nora O'Brien (Get well)
Thurs	29	6.30pm	Divine Mercy Prayer
		7.30pm	Sis Dunnion (Spl int), Kathleen Skelly (B'day)
Fri	30	9.30am	Albert Hunt (RIP), Margaret Mortimer (RIP)
Sat	01	9.30am	Albert Hunt (RIP)
10.00am –11.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions			
Sun	02	9.00am	Angela Evans (B'day)
		11.30am	Mary Lynch (90yrs B'day)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 25th Sept 2016

9.00 am Asipita, Nazareth
 Sophie Drabik (E)
 11.30am Florence, Honorine
 Vera, Marcel (E)

Weekend 2nd Oct 2016

Roisin Byrne, Veronica Carrol
 Jean Hoey (E)
 Emmanuella, Cynthia
 Serso, Frank (E)

Recently departed: Lina Craddock, Bridget O'Loughlin, Albert Hunt, Desmond Patrick McTigue, Thomas Cosgrove.

Anniversaries during this Week: Christy Benson, James Francis Duleavy, Francis Corrigan, T. O'Driscoll, Fredrick R. W. Quinney, Anne Travers, John Joseph McSweeney, Alan Conlon, Patrick Benson, Mary Shepherd

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.

Fr. Bob Wrights of St. John Fisher invites us for their annual Intercultural Mass on Sunday 16th October 2016 at 3:00pm. Food will be available in the parish hall.

Blessing of the Graves. This weekend the 25th September the parishioners of Christ the King will be at Lenton's Lane at 3.00pm to bless the graves of those who have died, and the following weekend 2nd October they will be at London Road.



A.J Missions



St. Osburgs



St. Marys



St. Elizabeths

Parish News letter 26th Sunday - 25th Sept to 2nd Oct 2016

JESUS WAS MUCH OF A PREACHER THAN AN ENTERTAINER

The training of a priest takes several years and his ordination to the priesthood is one of the most elaborate rituals of the Catholic Church. To some, the long years of training a Catholic priest may seem a waste of time but to many people including the candidates themselves, the long years of study, character formation, psychological and moral training are necessary if someone is to equip himself with the tools he will need in the exercise of such a sacred ministry.

The Catholic priest exercises his ministry not in his name but in the name of Jesus who as he himself declares, chooses the priest to go and bear fruit John 15:16. Well any person who has accepted to stand-in for someone or to do some duty in another person's name he/she must act with diligence.

Recently I met a man who wanted a little bit of comedy in the church; he had visited several non-Catholic churches around the city where he enjoyed good laughter during the services; this time the Catholic Mass was on the menu. He sat there anxiously waiting to have a good laugh but nothing came. Most of the prayers were calmly conducted, silence and personal reflection encouraged. After the Mass he came to me to express his disappointment:

"When will you Catholics make the church more entertaining? I sat here for one hour, and no one stood up to give testimony, that poor man in the wheel chair was not healed! It is too silent here, there was no applause and shouts 'In the name of Jesus Alleluia—Amen'. The hour I spent here was wasted, some churches I go to I return home greatly entertained"

Jesus was much of a preacher than an entertainer, he did not draw crowds to himself because of comedy but "because of the gracious words that came from his mouth" Lk 4:22. It is not uncommon these days to find people moving from church to church sampling one priest after the other. This habit is not good because such people have no commitment to any parish community. Many parishes these days have no real community where someone is known and he/she knows others! A parish is a family of believers where by if the members of this family know one another, they can support each other to fulfil the mission Jesus has entrusted to each one of them.

A candidate to catholic priesthood is trained to understand and to explain the meaning and relevance of the Word of God in the people's lives. Since he has been entrusted with God's message, he will be less likely to innovate or to treat these mysteries as if they were his own. For those who have taken preaching as a business, there will always be the desire to innovate, to claim supernatural powers to heal and to claim performing extraordinary miracles even more than Jesus in order to keep the business afloat.



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Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid: 167.00 Non-Gift Aid £ 582.39 Total: £ 749.39 Thank you.

Second collection : 65.32 Thank you.

Counters 25th Sept Pat & William Edwards

Mass Attendance 18th Sept 612

Bonus Ball : No 43 Julia Hunt

Second Collection:	25th Sept	Walsingham Shrine
	9th Oct	CAFOD
	23rd Oct	World Mission Sunday
	6th Nov	Johnson Association (Retired & Infirm Clergy)
	20th Nov	Catholic Youth Service
	4th Dec	Poor Parishes' Fund
	11th Dec	Fr Hudson's Society

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 **8.30am to 6:00pm** throughout the week. You are all welcome to pass through the Door of Mercy and spend time in prayer.

Visit your next door neighbour: It is sad to note that many people especially the elderly live a very lonely life. I wish to encourage you at least to visit your next door neighbour as much as your courtesy can allow. For the elderly who practice the faith but have family members who are cynical towards faith it is even worse. Please do not ridicule what your elderly parents believe. Respect to the parents comes second in rank after respect given to God (Deuteronomy 5:16).

Macmillan Coffee Morning at St. Osburgs on 30th September from 10am-3:00pm

Matters of Importance

Christmas Bazar meeting on **Tuesday 27th September at 6.00pm** in the parish hall. Let us come together to plan, to work and make it a success.

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.

Candidates for confirmation meeting: Wednesday 28th of September a session will be held in the Church at 5.30pm those who would like to be confirmed. Please make sure that you are present for the session without fail.

World Mission Sunday falls on Sunday 23 October 2016. On this day the whole Church unites in an act of universal solidarity in prayer for its missionary activity and in collecting funds to support the Mission of the Church worldwide. Currently 40% of the Church is considered missionary. The World Mission Sunday collection supports the local Church where it is too young or too poor to be self-sufficient. The collection is one of three mandatory universal collections. The other two are for the Holy Places on Good Friday and Peter's Pence. Collection money should be sent directly to the Mission Office. Mission can only claim Gift Aid on money sent directly to them.

Let us prepare to welcome the students: Most of our universities and higher education institutions have a dedicated Catholic Chaplain based in the university or the local parish. The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for young people to explore their faith as a young adult, to meet other young people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach. As students report to our city Universities I ask you to welcome them and to make them warmly accepted. Give them the opportunity to participate in the activities of our parish. Remember we need them as much as they need us.

Thought on Marriage: The unequivocal insistence on the indissolubility of the marriage bond may leave some perplexed and could seem to be a demand impossible to realize. However, Jesus has not placed on spouses a burden impossible to bear, or too heavy. By coming to restore the original order of creation disturbed by sin, he himself gives the strength and grace to live marriage in the new dimension of the Reign of God. It is by following Christ, renouncing themselves, and taking up their crosses that spouses will be able to "receive" the original meaning of marriage and live it with the help of Christ. This grace of Christian marriage is a fruit of Christ's cross, the source of all Christian life.

Family Ministry Project Worker post: The Archdiocese of Birmingham wishes to appoint a full-time Family Ministry Project Worker to support and develop the work of family catechesis and ministry to families in the parishes of the Archdiocese. The appointment will be from 1st January 2017, initially on a two-year contract but with the possibility of extension. The post will be based at Maryvale Institute in Birmingham, but will involve substantial travel around the Archdiocese. Applicants should have their own transport and be prepared to work unsocial hours as needed. Applicants should be practising Roman Catholics with a sound understanding of the Church's teaching in the area of marriage of family life, and some experience of catechesis and/or other pastoral ministry. First class interpersonal skills and the capacity to take initiatives and work both independently and collaboratively are essential. For an informal discussion please contact Fr Edward Clare, Director, Maryvale Institute after 1st September on 0121 360 8118 or email director@maryvale.ac.uk. Applications for this role is by application form accompanied by a CV and covering letter, which must indicate how your skills and experience match those required for this post. For further information and an application form please contact the Registrar, Mrs Rita Bannister, on 0121 360 8118 or email registry@maryvale.ac.uk. The successful appointee will require DBS clearance. The closing date for applications is Friday 7th October 2016. Interviews for this post are scheduled for Thursday 20th or Friday 21st October 2016.