

MASSES FROM 3rd to 10th April 2016

Sun	03	9.30am	Theotonia Vaz (RIP), Mick & Rose (55th Wed Anni)
		11:30am	Olivia (Birthday), Obianuju Nwaakaeme (Thanksgiving)
Mon	04	9.30am	Sr Emmanuelina (RIP),
Tue	05	9.30am	Chris Day (Spl Int), Chijioke Uche Anyanwu (RIP)
Wed	06	9:30am	Holy Souls, Roseline & Patrick (50th Wed Anni)
Thurs	07	9.30am	John Sheredan (RIP)
Fri	08	9.30am	Daniel McGee (RIP)
Sat	09	9.30am	Mary Kavanagh (Anni), Uche Anyanwu (B'day)
10.00am to 11.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & confessions			
Sun	10	9.30am	SSA (Thanks giving), Ivano Butrij (RIP)
		11.30am	Robert Skelly (RIP)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 3rd April 2016

9.30 am Asipita, Sue Cutter
Barbara (E)
11.30am Stephen, Veronica
Serso, Sr. Leena (E)

Weekend 10th April 2016

Tom Ward, Nazareth
Kath Slater (E)
Francis, Emmanuella
Serso, Vera (E)

RIP: Harry Hone Etna Bannon, Theotonia Vaz, Robert Stevenson, Brendan Hanbury.

Anniversaries during this Week: : Anne Brennan, Thomas Brophy, John Dunning
John Dunning, Mary McSorley, Joseph Macken, Thomas O'Maller, Ellen Cox, Cath Molloy, Janet Cassidy, Patrick Bernard Ward, Kitty Howel, Annie Lyons, Mary Clark.

Please pray for the sick of the Parish:, Eileen McHugh, Tony McKiernan, Mary Mulroney, Philomena Dunleavy, John Currison, Gerard Griffith, Paul Kordes, Diana Best, Jim Crean, Tess Pearkes, Sheila McElaney, Sheila Clear, Janie Patalong, Tom Dui-gnan, 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.

Easter Monday: Mass was celebrated here at St. Osburgs with all the priests of the denary and a good number of their parishioners present. I thank everyone who participated in the Mass.



A.J Missions



St. Osburgs



St. Marys



St. Elizabeths

Parish Newsletter Divine Mercy Sunday 3rd to 10th April 2016

OH DIVINE MERCY

God brings us into this world because he wants us to do something in it no matter how long or how short our life-span lasts for. Some people have made great Saints within a very short lifespan of their existence while others have had to live on and on into ripe old age before accomplishing the work God gave to make them perfect. One such person who had a mission to do, just like anyone of us was Faustina Helena Kowalska who was born in a small village west of Lodz, Poland on August 25, 1905. She was the third of ten children. When she was almost twenty, she entered the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, whose members devote themselves to the care and education of troubled young women. The following year she received her religious habit and was given the name Sister Maria Faustina

In the 1930's, Sister Faustina received from Jesus a message of mercy that she was told to spread throughout the world. She was asked to become the apostle and secretary of God's mercy, a model of how to be merciful to others, and an instrument for reemphasizing God's plan of mercy for the world.

Divine Mercy Sunday was instituted in the Catholic Church on the Second Sunday of Easter on April 30, 2000 and decreed on May 5th of that year by Pope Saint John Paul.

We must realize that Divine Mercy Feast is a refuge for sinners and not a "party for devotees". It concerns every human creature because we need God's Mercy. The message is nothing new, but is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through scripture and tradition: that God is merciful and forgiving and that we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness. But in the Divine Mercy devotion the message takes on a powerful new focus, calling people to a deeper understanding that God's love is unlimited and available to everyone — especially the greatest sinners.

The message of mercy is that God loves us — all of us —no matter how great our sins. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. It is a message we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC

A — Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B — Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C — Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive. This Sunday afternoon prayer to the Divine Mercy will be led at St. Mary's and Benedict Jubilee Church of Mercy starting at 2:00pm. **Oh Blood and water which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus, as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You.**



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Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid: £187. Non-Gift Aid : - Total: £ 187.00

Thank you.

Counters 3rd April Sandra McAvoy, Maureen Jones

Mass Attendance 27th March 684

Collection for the Holy places : 486.81

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.

Matters of importance

Added responsibilities: with the return of Fr. Joseph Kyeyune to Uganda, the demands on the priest with two parishes are enormous. It is good that we develop a culture of making appointment before you see the priest. When Fr. Jimmy stands at the back of the church he is there not to conduct business but to greet you. It is intended to have a chat and to wish each other well. It is not because you have seen a priest, that you feel your business should be attended to. If you have some business that you would like any of our priests to pay attention to, please make an appointment by signing the contacts in our newsletter.

Employment opportunities at Princethorpe College: vacancies are available for the post of Estate Assistant Manager, IT Engineer, and Estates Assistants. Closing dates for applicants is Monday 4th April 2016. Interviews will take place later in the same week. Further details and an application form is available from the college website www.princethorpe.co.uk/employment-opportunities. See poster on the noticeboard.

Thank you: I wish to thank you all for the fruitful celebration of Lent and Easter festivals. No single parish priest could afford to organise these events without the support of the parishioners. When everyone does his/her part all things finally come together.

On Easter Sunday a suicide bomber killed at least 70 people and injured around 300 in an attack against Christians celebrating Easter in Lahore, Pakistan. In the wake of the Easter Sunday's Cardinal Vincent Nichols asks us to pray for the dead and those who have been wounded.

Reception and baptisms at Easter: Five people were baptised and received into the Catholic Church at St. Mary and Benedict Church during Easter Vigil. Let us continue to support them by our personal witness to the faith. Ten people were baptised or received into full communion at St Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham.

A famine not of bread, a drought not of water: How many of us moan or even sulk when our Mass times have to change or if our parish has to share a priest with a neighbouring parish? How many of us try to do something about it? Since 1965, the number of priests in England and Wales has steadily fallen. The current numbers are the lowest we have seen since the 1930's. The reality is that our priests are an aging group and there has never been a greater need for vocations. Join us A 'Parish Vocations Team' can ensure that the parish is united in prayer for vocations and that vocations are given a proper prominence in the life of the parish.

Life in the Spirit Seminar: Archbishop Bernard is inviting parishioners across the Archdiocese to attend a faith renewal course piloting on two Saturdays in May at Oscott College. The Life in the Spirit dvd course, entitled The GIFT, features well-known Catholic speakers Charles Whitehead, Michelle Moran, Jenny Baker and David Payne plus testimonies from around the country Up to three people per parish can attend and the course is free. It's running on May 7th and 21st from 10 to 4 and Mass with the Archbishop will complete the second Saturday.