

MASSES FROM 9th to 16th Oct 2016

Sun	09	9.00am	Lucia Osagie (B'day), Nora Healy (RIP)
		11.30am	Clay Okoye (Thanksgiving), Lucia
Mon	10	9.30am	S.S.A.
Tue	11	9.30am	Val Wardz (RIP), Mame Kasinde (Get well)
Wed	12	9.30am	Sr. Lydwin (B'day)
Thurs	13	6.30pm	Zidan (Thanksgiving)
Fri	14	9.30am	Rose Trill (B'day)
Sat	15	9.30am	Val Wardz (RIP)
		10.00am –11.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions
Sun	16	9.00am	Jimmy & Cissie Fitzgerald (Anni), Michael Campbell (RIP)
		11.30am	Clay Okoye (Spl int)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 9th Oct 2016

9.00 am Kisaneth, Elena Wood
Jean Hoey (E)
11.30am Florence Ekobe, Julie
Marcel, Frank (E)

Weekend 16th Oct 2016

Sr. Leera, Asipita Oroko
Betty Osagie (E)
Maame, Emmanuella
Serso, Marcel (E)

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

Anniversaries during this Week: Kathleen Ward, Eddie martin, Margaret Hamill, Seamus Gannon, Maureen Bridget Delargy, Margaret Flek, Nora Edwards, David Doran, Elizabeth Villiers, Catherine McKeon, Michael McKeon, Roger Kockelberg, Christopher Doyle, Victor Pickett, James Delaney, Jim Hogan, Patrick Benson, Nicki Cherry, Hanorah Royal, John Doyle, Eileen Teynan.

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.



A.J. Missions



St. Osburg



Ss. Mary & Benedict



St. Elizabeth

Parish News letter- Prisoners Sunday 9th to 16th Oct 2016

WHEN LOVE GROWS COLD, WHAT IS LEFT IN A RELATIONSHIP?

*With the increase of lawlessness, love in most men will grow cold
but the man who stands firm to the end will be saved" Matt 24:12.*

Thanks to God for the Sacrament of Confirmation which was celebrated at St. Mary's on Wednesday, it was an occasion of great joy to see so many being sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit. At that occasion it was not difficult to notice some people who have relegated their going to church only to such occasions but nothing more! While it is good to see them I cannot fail to mention that that is hardly the way the practice of Christian faith ought to be.

I remember some people who were once in deep love. They were not husband and wife, yet they enjoyed each others company; they prayed together, recreated together and even went on holidays together. A jealous person they took for a friend carried unfounded stories between them and everything came down crushing to pieces. The trust they had in each other, the risks they had taken for the other, the places they had always visited together, none of these held meaning anymore. Consequently **love grew cold** such that all the affection for the people and place they had loved bore no meaning!

What is left in a love relationship when love grows cold apart from anguish and despair! Human nature will try to find reasons for self justification but what I know for sure is that Love lost does not bring peace of mind no matter how much we may justify ourselves. It is good never to let love grow cold either for self or for others.

When I was training for priesthood, my formators most of whom were foreign missionaries spoke to us of the heroic lives of the saints, they spoke about the sacrifices that people in their homelands were making for the spread of the faith and how fervent the people were. But alas this is not the case anymore. A friend of mine visiting one country which was the beacon of evangelization lamented to be present at a wedding where only the priest, the altar server, my friend and his wife were the only ones who literally answered to the prayers of the Mass. I know that some of us might already excuse them by thinking that they might not have been Catholics, but the truth of the matter is that they were Catholics who no longer practiced the faith because they were 'angry with the church'. Zeal for faith in Jesus was no more, they were spiritual dead men walking.

I pray that our love for God, for his Church and for each other never grow cold. Surely people who see only the negatives in the church or in their relationships give sufficient evidence that their love has grown cold. But the person who stands firm through his perseverance will be saved for when love grows cold whatever is left is emptiness.



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Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid: 210.70 Non-Gift Aid £ 526.60 Total: £737.30 Thank you.

Counters 9th Oct Agnes Heffernan and Tom Ferris

Mass Attendance 2nd Oct 606

Bonus Ball : No 39. Julia Hunt

Second Collection:	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.

Today the day of prayer for vocations will begin with the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament immediately after the 11.30am Mass and conclude with Benediction and Blessing at 4.00pm.

Matters of Importance

Christmas Bazaar: Our annual Christmas Bazaar which will be held on Saturday 26th November 2016 from 1.00pm to 4.00pm. For the success of the bazaar we need tinned food, bottles of wine, spirits, soft drinks, toys, toiletries, cosmetics and cash. You may also sponsor some of the raffle prizes. Some volunteers will ask you to buy some raffle tickets, please do so take them and sell them to your friends and family members. All the stubs and the money should be returned by Sunday 20th November 2016.

This Year's Annual Mass for the infirm with anointing will take place next Sunday 16th Oct 2016 at 3.00pm in our Parish to give an opportunity to our elderly and infirm members an opportunity to walk through the Door of Mercy. Everybody is welcome to receive this anointing which strengthens us in our own weakness. I ask families with elderly members and Eucharistic Ministers who take communion to the sick and housebound to encourage them to come.

Coventry University Students: Fr. Jimmy the chaplain is always available at any time you would like to speak to him. You do not need to have something serious to talk about. Just give him a call on **07906124756**. You can e-mail him at **lutwajim@yahoo.com** He is also available on Tuesdays from 12noon at the Spirituality & Faith Centre, 3rd Floor, the Hub for students and staff of Coventry University. There will be a **welcome Mass** for students who have newly joined Coventry University on Sunday **23rd October 2016** at 11.30am followed by a cup of tea/coffee in the parish hall for all. I invite all our parishioners and the old students to come along and make the new comers feel at home.

RCIA. Lessons if you are an adult who is not baptised or who was baptised in other churches but you would like to be received into full communion with the catholic church, I wish to let you know that Religious Instruction Lessons (Catechism) will start on Monday 10th October 2016 at 6:00pm in the parish hall. Catholics who would like to deepen their knowledge of faith are warmly welcome.

Month of October is dedicated to our Lady of Rosary. Praying Rosary either individually or as a family is an age old tradition in the Catholic Church. Through the recitation of the Rosary directed to Mary the Mother of God we ultimately praise God the Father. I invite you to cultivate this habit of praying the Rosary in your families. The family that prays together stays together. Let us make our families a welcome place for God to dwell in.

Prison Sunday: is celebrated today 9th October. Remember those who suffer imprisonment especially persecuted Christians all over the world.

Interested in this? Heather Parker Project Manager Coventry University together with Coventry University Student Union have planned to get around 10-15 local young people (aged 16 – 26yrs) and 10-15 students together over half term to put on a children's Halloween party in Hillfields The preparation will be on Wednesday 26th afternoon in the City Arcade (in our new FabLab) – where they will plan games, activities and make costumes etc and the party itself will be on Friday 28th in Hillfields (venue tbc)