

“The Gift” A Life in the spirit seminar: is going on these days at Christ the King parish bringing together Catholics from Coventry diocese. It is meant for all of us to renew our faith and to deepen our love. Some parishioners have gone to the talks which take place every Thursday starting 7:00pm. The themes being covered are as follows:

Week 1 Thursday 27th April	The Father's Love
Week 2 Thursday 2nd May	The Gift of the Holy Spirit.
Week 3 Thursday 11th May	A personal Pentecost
Week 4 Thursday 18th May	The joy of the gospel
Week 5 Thursday 25th May	Unwrapping God's Gift
Week 6 Thursday 8th June	Living in the Spirit

These talks are very important for renewal of the parish and of personal life. I encourage you to attend them if you can.

Statue of Mary has gone missing from the presbytery door. I put the statue of Our Lady of Medjugorje last year but someone took it away hopefully for good reasons. Please if you borrowed it can I ask you to bring it back. I pray it was not stolen.

Gift Aid claim results:

Job opportunities I have been asked to advertise the jobs below which are ready for grabs at Birmingham Catholic Cathedral offices:

Head of Communications & Community Engagement Reporting to the Director of Human Resources, the Head of Communications & Community Engagement (£34,000 to £40,000 p.a.) will set and guide the Archdiocese's strategy for all communications, websites and community engagement. With the Press & Media Relations Officer the Head of Communications & Community Engagement will be responsible for managing and delivering communications, including providing professional advice, expertise and leadership on all aspects of communication (internal and external), seeking opportunities to promote the mission of the Catholic church, the Archdiocese and its related charities and to enhance its reputation.

Press & Media Relations Officer (£27,000 to £31,000 p.a.) Reporting to the Head of Communications & Community Engagement, the Press & Media Relations Officer will on a day-to-day basis be responsible for external communications for the Archdiocese providing support to senior members of the Clergy, its Parishes, Schools and Academies. For an informal discussion/job description for either role please contact Gerry Dryden, Director of Human Resources via email (gerry.dryden@rc-birmingham.org) or telephone (0121 230 6224).

Application for either role is by covering letter (which should set out how your skills and experience matches those required for the role and why you are interested in joining this charity) and CV. The closing date for applications for these roles is Friday 2nd June 2017. The first round of interviews for both posts have been scheduled for week commencing 26th June, 2017, with the final interviews being scheduled for week commencing 3rd July 2017.



AJ Missions



St. Osburgs



St. Marys



St. Elizabeth

Parish Newsletter—5th Sunday of Easter Year A - 14th –21st May 2017

ALMOST CAUGHT OUT: WHO, WHERE AND WHEN

Children can ask you a question which can cause you embarrassment if you do not know the answer. I remember a deacon in Uganda who was asked by a nursery pupil who the grandmother of Jesus was. The deacon did not expect the question so he was embarrassed that he did not give a spontaneous correct answer to Year 2 children who were learning catechism. The other day standing in a class of small children a small boy put up his hand and asked me “ Who founded the Catholic Church”? I answered Jesus Christ who is True God and True Man. All other churches were founded by men for personal, political, economic, social and spiritual motives. Before 1517 every Christian was a catholic.. As such today we know that:

If you are a Lutheran your church was started by Fr. Martin Luther in Germany 1517.
If you're a Mennonite your church was started by Grebel Mantz and Blaurock in 1525.
If you are Anglican then your church was started by King Henry VIII in England 1534
If you are a Presbyterian your church was started by John Knox in Scotland 1560.
If you're a Congregationalist your church was started by Robert Brown in Holland 1583.

If you are a Baptist your church was started by John Smith in Amsterdam in 1606.
If you are a Methodist your church was started by John Wesley in New Jersey 1770
If you are a Mormon your church was started by Joseph Smith in New York 1829.
If you are a Seventh Day Adventist your church was started by William Miller in 1831
If you are a Salvation Army your church was started by William Booth London 1865
If you are a Jehovah Witness your church was started by Charles Russell in 1872
If you are a Redeemed Christian your church was started in Nigeria by Josiah Akinda-yomi in 1952
If you are Deeper Life Bible then your church was started by William Kumuyi in Lagos 1973.

If you are Mountain of Fire your church was started by Daniel Olukoya in Nigeria 1989.
Apart from the Catholic Church every other church was started by mortal man. We were founded by Jesus Christ himself the risen Lord (Matt 16:18) Beginning with that gathering on Pentecost Day (Acts 2:1) and we can trace that lineage through 266 Popes successors to St. Peter who was given the keys by Jesus himself.

As Pentecost Sunday will soon be here remember more than 2000 years of the Catholic church existence. It is the only church that takes you back to Jesus himself. The Catholic Church has stood firm because it was started by Jesus Christ true God and true Man. His grace will guard it until the end. AMEN

The Most Holy Sacrament and St. Osburgs

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Parish development

Gift aid..... £ 105.00 Loose.....£345.65 Total..... £450.65

Sat. lunches....£ 59.65 Restoration.£ 265.41 Heating.....£26.38 Thank you.

Reception of Matthew Paul Kelly RIP - his body will be received into St.Osburg's Church at 5pm on Sunday 14th May. His funeral and Requiem Mass will take place on Monday 15th May at 12.10pm.

Piety Stall: as you might have noticed the piety stall has been very quiet for sometime I need someone to volunteer to help at the piety stall please talk to the priests if you can.

Youth Ministry: I'm looking for some young people who can help me to bring young people together for the excellence of their talents in organising things and for the exercise of their potentials as true leaders of today and tomorrow. If you are interested in engaging in youth ministry in the parish please speak to the priest or else drop me an e-mail lutwajim@yahoo.com or WhatsApp message at 07906124756.

Appeal for Aid to the Church in Need: Deacon Tim Anthony from 'Aid to the Church in Need' will be speaking at both Sunday Masses on 4th June at St. Mary's and on Saturday 10th/Sunday 11th June at St Osburg's. There will be an opportunity to purchase prayer cards, Children's Bibles, books and religious artifacts. More information may be found on the website: www.acnuk.org."

First Holy Communion at St. Osburg's

On Sunday 21st May the Year 3 children from our school will be making their First Holy Communion at 11.30 Mass. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

Hearing Aid Users—Please switch your hearing aid to 'T'

MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEKS from 14th to 21st May 2017

Sat	13	11.45am	Consolata (RIP)
		5.30pm	Katie Laird (Spl. Int)
Sun	14	11.30am	Ann Doyle (Spl. Int)
Mon	15	12.10pm	Helen Marie Murphy (Spl.Int)
Tues	16	12.10pm	Tommy Fallon (RIP)
Wed	17	12.10pm	Michael Fallon (RIP)
Thurs	18	12.10pm	Bridget Shine (RIP)
Fri	19	12.10pm	Srs. Teresa & Philomena (Spl.Int)
Sat	20	11.45am	Fr. Jimmy (Spl.Int)
		5.30pm	Angela Jordan (RIP)
Sun	21	11.30am	Christy Byrne (RIP)

THE GIFT Life in the Spirit Seminar: was opened at Christ the King Parish last Thursday it is a series of talks, shared reflection and praying together in order to re-new our faith. Thanks to those from our parish who attended the first session. The next session will be this Thursday 4th May starting at 7:30pm at Christ the King.

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

	<u>13th/14th May</u>	<u>20th/21st May</u>
5.30pm	Ann E , Bernadette (R) Zen (E)	Maggie, Ann F. (R) Bernadette (E)
10.30am	Maggie, Charles (R) Patsy, Catherine (E)	School Readers June, Charles (E)

Please pray for the sick of the parish: Betty Buggle, Ted Rodgers Eileen McHugh, Laurence Gallen, Garry Hobbs, Teresa Ryne, Cameron Reilly, Carla Lawrence, Terence Harris, Patrick Connolly, Mark Correvigandis Anne, Bacia, Colin Hipperson, Kathleen Tierney, Diane Cunningham, Kieran Connell, Ahmed Musa, Carol Sparks, Ruth Clithero, Jan Carusso, Nadia Faruk Hannah, Tom McDermott, Winnie McDermott, Gerald Douglas, Shirley Hartnett, Stephen Bayliss , Jackie Buckley, Dave Rillott, Alan Davis, David Horley, Margaret Ghen, Bridie & Benny McAndrew . Christine Strong, Hilda Gibson, Sheila Biggs.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time : Sullivan Patrick, Toache Thomas, Rush Michael Ivan, Fahey Raymond John, Fay Bernard, Thorpe Stuart James, Brady Michael Gerald, Caldaryho Pearl, Flannelly Edward Joseph, Grant Michael, Walsh Patrick Joseph, Bardon Pauline Mary.