

Matters of Importance

Heating in the parish Hall: for some of you who use the hall regularly you might be aware that some radiators stopped working probably during the time of the Benedictines. In order to keep the place warm for the night shelter the boiler has to be switched on Tuesday and go off on Thursday morning. Yet the hall remained just warm. The cost of running such expenditure, the wear and tear of things are to reveal themselves as time goes on. I commissioned some clean up work to be done on the system in the course of the week and I could not believe what a tremendous boost it gave to the heat within a short time. I hope that this efficiency will set us ready for winter period.

Train a priest sponsored walk I'm grateful to learn that two parishioners from St. Osburg parish Chris Colman and Chass Colman will join Fr. Jimmy, Sr. Leena, Sr. Leera, Ms. Vera Dunnion, Agnes Heffernan, Betty Osagie, Omoregi Henny, Pat Edward, Veronica Carol and James Mapuranga in making a 15 mile charity walk to raise money for the training of missionary priests of the Apostles of Jesus. Please sponsor them for such a good cause in the church if you can. The walk will take place on 2nd Aug. 2017.

A Special sponsorship: Fr. Jimmy was presented with £100.00 cheque by the pupils of St. Marys and Benedict School for the training of a priest sponsored walk. I'm very grateful to them. I will be much happier if they grow with a spirit and in the freedom to respond to God's call. I'm sure this donation is the beginning.

Mazzoldi Day Mass: the Apostles of Jesus and the Evangelising Sisters of Mary missionaries working in England and Wales will celebrate their founder's day on Monday 31st July 2017 at St. Osburg. Fr. John Maregoni and Bishop Sisto Mazzoldi were Comboni Missionaries who started the first religious Missionary Institute in Africa,. We invite you to join us to pray for our founders and to thank God for their courage to start in the church such an institute.

Annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall: the shrine of the English martyrs will take place on 3rd September 2017. The Mass will start at 3:00pm, Confessions will start at 1:45 -2:30pm. The principal celebrant will be Rt. Rev. Robert Byrne, Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham. There is free parking, teas and picnic area. Free timed tours of Harvington Hall are available and may be booked on the day at the table in the courtyard. It is essential that you take your own chair if you are planning to sit.

Don't break the bank: It can be difficult to come up with new ideas of things to do with the children during the summer holidays. It can be tough to find good events where to take them, let alone events where you won't be left breaking the bank. It is not time to keep the children glued on the TV, telephone and computer games. It is time to help them to think and to assimilate the values of life. Taking the kids to the theatre, daily visits to McDonalds and car boot sales, will give parents some breathing space but it will not build up your child interiorly. Do not use these as an escape from what you are supposed to do. Instead I would suggest that you spend your holiday time with your children help them to learn how to listen carefully, to obey your orders and how to live within your ability to support them. Help them to stop comparing themselves with other kids. If they have plenty, open their minds to realise that there are some children who have not; and if they don't have much, teach them to take care of the little they have. Remember that some children have no idea that you as a parent; you have to work hard to put food at table and a roof over their head. Take control; spend this holiday with your children within what you can afford. Don't break the bank simply because you have to appease a child who may not know the real situation.



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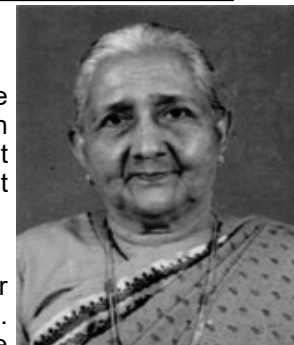


St. Elizabeth

Parish Newsletter - 17th Sunday - Year A - 30th July to 6th August 2017

WHAT SEED ARE YOU PLANTING IN YOUR CHILD'S SOUL?

It is with great sadness to learn about the death of Josephine Lobo (pictured) the mother of Sr. Leera Lobo, one of our parish Sisters. She died peacefully on 24th July Monday morning at the age of 92. She shared her birthday with the queen except that hers always passed on unannounced.



Mrs. Josephine Lobo spent her entire life teaching her children about Jesus Christ and about the need to do his will whatever the cost. She helped them to love God and to love the Church. As a consequence one of her sons Eugene Lobo SJ went to the priesthood and became a Jesuit priest. He worked in the Vatican for many years. While her other children got married in the church, her last born daughter Leera Lobo, could not resist the fire kindled in her heart by her mother as a little child urging her to serve God if an opportunity came. Being a lastborn Josephine gave the best education for her daughter, she sent her to high school, then to college and to the university where all along she grabbed several papers that show her intellectual power. Once Leera completed university, several proposals came; every man wants to marry a bright educated girl of course but she turned them all down because all she wanted was to become a religious, to serve God and to be at the service of the church. That girl is Sr. Leera Lobo. So we go back to our question: *"What seed are you planting in your child's soul?"* Do you know why we never forget our mother tongues? It is because that is the first language that was recorded by our mind; we cannot get rid of it. The same applies to the values that a child is disposed to from birth onwards they get imprinted in their souls such that to get rid of them will be an uphill struggle.

Josephine Lobo lived a saintly life. In her house the infamous Indian caste system did not exist; 'every person is a child of God' she told her children, the rich and the poor were all at home in her house. Her love of the church was put to the test when the Sisters of the Little Flower of Bethany were sent to her area to start missions. The Sisters had no house, no food, no money or transport. Mrs Josephine Lobo invited them to stay in her house, she cooked for them and provided for their needs for several years, until they were able to build their convent. Their first convent was in her own house. It is this purity of heart that influenced her children Fr. Eugene Lobo and Sr. Leera Lobo to consecrate their whole life to God. This shows the influence of a mother on the souls of her children. God has given this authority to every mother to be a teacher, a model and a moulder of a child's soul. Happy those who die in the Lord, happy indeed the spirit says, they can now rest since their good deeds go with them. May she rest in peace.

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The Parishes are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Reg. Charity No. 234216

Parish development

Gift aid..... £84.00 Loose.....£308.33 Total..... £392.33

Sat. lunches....£00 Restoration.£ 16.92 Heating.....£10.67

Thank you for your generosity.

The Old £ Pound Coin: you have less than three months to spend, bank or donate your old £1 coins before shops can refuse them. The old coin will stop being legal tender on 15 October. The Treasury announced that there are now more new 12-sided pound coins in circulation than their predecessor. Please do not lose, check your pockets and purses.

"300 Club" July Draw

1st Prize	121	R. Goodman	2nd Prize	513	T. Magee
3rd Prize	15	D. McNamara	4th Prize	435	B. Gaffney

Congratulations to the winners.

African Cultural Mass: Fr. Moses Pitya the parish priest of St. Elizabeth invites us again to the annual African cultural Mass which will take place on 13th August 2017. you ought to be seated by 2:30pm. Mass will start at 3:00pm. There will be a get together in the parish garden after Mass to continue celebrating African culture of hospitality.

Holidays have began: a time to rest, reflect and to rejoice. "Remember the Sabbath" Any meaningful plan for a holiday cannot exclude one's duty to God. Help your children to maintain discipline by respecting and obeying your orders. Just as a shepherd forms a flock, it is the parent who forms a child, not the child to form a parent. Do not overlook your duty to shape the child under the pretext of fearing to upset him/her.

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

MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEKS from - 30th July to 6th Aug 2017

Sat	29	11.45am	Matthew & Thomas Timmons (Sp Int)
		5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun	30	11.30am	Richard Burnt (RIP)
Mon	31	12.10pm	Jim McCann & Peter McCann (RIP) (Bp. Sisto Mazzoldi & Fr. John Marengoni Founders of Apostles of Jesus) RIP Ann.
Tues	1	12.10pm	Frances Killen (Get well)
Wed	2	12.10pm	Maggie Green (Sp. Int).
Thurs	3	12.10am	Jim McCann & Peter McCann (RIP)
Fri	4	12.10pm	Theresa Clark (Get well).
Sat	5	11.45am	Jim McCann & Peter McCann (RIP)
		5.30pm	Ann Fenton and Family (Sp. Int).
Sun	6	11.30am	People of the parish.

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

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

Anniversaries of the week: Goggins Steven, Cullen Mary, Burgess M. Patricia, Lewis Margaret, Claridge Timothy, Mulvaney Patrick, Linaker Jessie, Mullally Patricia,

Saints & Feasts of the week: St. Ignatius of Loyola, soldier founder of the Jesuits. St. Alphonsus Mary Liguori, (law barrister) founder of Redemptorists, St. John Mary Vianney, patron of parish priests, please pray for your parish priest. Dedication of the Basilica of Mary Major. It is the first church dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Next Sunday 6th August is the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord.

Mass live from St. Marys go to www.churchservices.tv an icon of the Camera click on the link. It will take you to live events at St. Marys.