

Matters of importance

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.

CAFOD: Next Sunday we celebrate the Harvest Fast day. Your support to this Harvest will ensure millions of people around the world enough food to survive. If you have n the CAFOD envelopes please bring them along as we have the 2nd collection for the same.

Fatima News : St Peter's, Dormer Place, Leamington Spa, CV32 5AE, is a pilgrimage church for the Birmingham Diocese during the Fatima Centenary Year and a special indulgence is available on the 13th of each month if you visit on those days. For more information, please see leaflets in porch or call Peter Dimambro on 01926 428399

Creation Time: From September 1st to October 4th Pope Francis has asked us to pray and give thanks to God for the gift of Creation and to commit to its care and preservation for the sake of future generations.

Second Saturday Catholic Convention and healing service Held every second Saturday at the Bethel Convention Centre, Kelvin Way, West Bromwich, B70 7JW. A celebration of the Catholic faith for people of all ages and backgrounds. These friendly gatherings include lively praise and worship, Holy Mass, healing service and prayer sessions. Everyone is welcome.

COMPAS programme: aims to help Catholic men and women to discern their Religious vocation. The programme commences in October and runs over five residential weekends and the Easter Triduum. If you would like to take part in the programme please email: compass@ukvocation.org

Peter Martin is 72, a parishioner from Holy Family is walking the Camino (545miles) to raise funds for Zoe's Place, *a home-from-home for babies who have life limiting or terminal illnesses and special complex needs* and he hopes to complete the Camino on 8th October. More details about Zoe's Place and Peter's sponsorship page are at www.justgiving.com/peter-martin72.

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Mission starts today 1st October – Sunday, 8th October. It's an opportunity for a Parish to grow in faith, both individually and as a community as they prepare for the CONSECRATION next year. There will be Mission Masses every day and other Services. Let us join them in prayer for the success of the Mission.

Crackley Hall School : is a Catholic independent day School, offering education for boys and girls from 4 to 11 years old. They are organising an Open Day on Thursday 5th Oct from 10.00am and 3.00pm and an Open Evening for Nursery and Reception on Wednesday 22nd November from 7.00pm to 8.00pm. More details on *Web:* www.crackleyhall.co.uk

Red Boxes (APF MISSION BOXES) The next collection is due so please return boxes to church.



AJ Missions



St. Osburgs



St. Marys



St. Elizabeth

Parish Newsletter - 26th Sunday -Year A - 1st to 8th Oct 2017

THANKS TO EVERYONE

Dear parishioners I send greetings to everyone and I thank each one of you for working so hard to keep the parish together. Every parish priest going on a long vacation has some anxieties because as you know, the parish operates most of the time on day to day occurrences some of which are not expected but come out of the blue. Yet every parish priest has the innermost conviction in his heart that since the parish is the people, they will not fail to respond generously and courageously to the need of the parish. I thank you all for the good works each one of you has done. There is not a single area that has not been taken care of. Masses have been celebrated and well attended, sacraments have been well attended too. Children liturgies have been well conducted, our parish choirs have been wonderful and all who do voluntary services have done so well.

The strength of a parish is seen through the number of people who come forward to render service when need arises. In our particular case the strength of our parishes is also showed when all the activities of the parishes continue as normal in the absence of the parish priest. This shows that our family spirit has grown and that we should all endeavour to make it bear more fruit.

I bring you greetings from my family in Uganda. I had a very busy time not on the sea side or in parks watching wild life, much of my time was spent at home in the field and taking care of spiritual well fare of the elderly of our village. There is something I learned. My parents passed on some years ago. I was in the missions of course, but I noticed that once you lose your parents, the home changes and you need to have some extra graces to catch up with the changes in the family that takes place when the parents are gone the eldest son or daughter assumes the office of keeping the family together, mediating, calling to obedience, correcting error, listening and comforting. If such things need to be established in the home, the holiday time of an African is not a matter of rest under sunshine with dark glasses over the eyes or coloured bikinis but it can be a rough ride.

I had the opportunity to follow the Mass over the internet in my family home which gave us much joy as a family. I thank the priests Fr. Moses, Fr. Sunday and Fr. Pontius who accepted to supply during my absence. I thank my parish sisters Leena, Leera, Filomena and Theresa without whom we can do so little as priests but with whom we can do so much. I thank all the leaders of different department's which make up our parish community. Thanks for your good ministries. It will be unthinkable not to mention my 'local engineers' who much of the time do the rough work which the parish priest hates to do. Yet it is this work that keeps the machinery of our parishes run lubricated.

I extend my condolences to the members of our parish family who have lost their dear ones. I send regards to the sick and housebound.

The Most Holy Sacrament and St. Osburgs

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

Parish development

Gift aid.... £ 111.00 Loose.....£351.66 Total.....£ 462.66

Sat. lunches....£ 85.85 Restoration.£ 28.10 Heating.....£28.31

2nd Collection: 24th September— £220.46

Thank you and God bless you all.

St Osburg's Christmas Bazaar will be taking place on Saturday 25th November, 11am - 2pm. Items (in good condition) for the stalls are always very welcome, including unwanted gifts, toys, bric-a-brac, groceries, tombola prizes, bottles, etc. please either bring to the Sacristy or the Priory. If you'd like to volunteer to help, please see Janet.

The agent for Father Christmas would welcome financial contributions towards providing the contents of his sack - the packing elves are standing ready! Please put any contributions in an envelope and hand it in, clearly marked, at the sacristy or the priory

Mass for the sick of the Parish will be on Sunday 15th October 2017 at 3:00 PM for details please contact Sr. Teresa and Sr. Philomena.

St. Osburg's "300 CLUB" September Draw

1st Prize 756 P Collins 2nd Prize 234 B Fenton

3rd Prize 187 J Vaughan 4th Prize 383 M Cox

Congratulations to the winners.

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

MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEKS from –1st to 8th Oct 2017

Sat	30	11.45am	Pauline Sheehan (B'day)
		5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun	01	11.30am	Margaret Magee (1 st Anni)
Mon	02	12.10pm	Fra Colin Mary Edwards, OFM Conv (Solemn Profession)
Tues	03	12.10pm	Jeffrey Cant (RIP)
Wed	04	12.10pm	Br Paul Francis Becka, OFM Conv (Solemn Vows)
Thurs	05	12.10am	Seamus O'Keefe (RIP)
Fri	06	12.10pm	Christopher Barden(RIP)
Sat	07	11.45am	Mary Evans (Sp Int), Michael Heavey (RIP)
		5.30pm	Vacis Gostautas (Anni)
Sun	08	11.30am	People of the Parish

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 30th Sept 2017

1st Oct 2017

5.00pm	Ann E & Bernadette (R)	11.30am	Schoolchildren (R)
	Zen (E)		June, Charles (E)

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 Carusso, 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.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time : James Stephen Bride, Welsh Una, Slack Sheila, Gostaytas John, McCauley Gerald, Jackson Elarie,.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) The Rite of Christian Initiation is an invitation for adults to explore their interests, or to enhance their knowledge, in the Roman Catholic Church. The R.C.I.A. lays out a process in which men and women are guided and cared for as they awaken in faith and are gradually introduced to the Catholic way of life. At St. Mary's the RCIA classes will begin in October. Participants will meet weekly for nine months in the Lady's Chapel. If you are interested, **please** contact either Fr. Jimmy, Fr. Sunday or Fr. Pontius.