

Matters of importance

Fr. Hudson's society is a primary social care agency for the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Their service has evolved to provide residential accommodation for older people and adults with additional care needs and service. They need our support of prayer, time and resources to help those in need. Let's be generous.

Come & hear Marie's story: 'From 5 abortions to healing with Christ', a testimony you will never forget. '40 Days for Life' Kick-off event on Sun 24th Sept, 3pm, Upper Cloister Room, B'ham Oratory, 141 Hagley Rd, B16 8EU. All welcome. For further information contact Isabel: 07773501721.

CAFOD in Sudan and South Sudan, a talk by Bishop Kenney on Thursday 28th September, 7.30-9.00 pm. Sacred Heart parish, 17 Lime Tree Avenue, Bilton, Rugby, CV22 7QT. Light refreshments available from 7.00pm. All very welcome. For more, contact Elizabeth Wignall (ewignall@cafod.org.uk or 01922 722944).

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.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day is on Friday 6th October 2017. Give what you can this Harvest Fast Day to GROW a brighter future for people living in the world's poorest countries. The world's poorest people suffer most from changes in climate. Stand with them to protect the earth we share for the future. Your support to this Harvest will ensure millions of people around the world enough food to survive.

Memorial Cards: There are some Memorial Cards for Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor at the back of the Church, please help yourself to one and remember him in your prayers.

Tabor House: a new project helping the homeless in Birmingham is looking for volunteers. Please contact: ChristyActon@fatherhudsons.org.uk. They are also organising a bike ride on Sunday 1st October to raise funds. Contact: michael@stjohnrcamworth.org.uk if you would like to help.

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

Free Family Learning Course for Parents Do you have a child aged 4 – 11 years? Are you confused about what they are learning in school? Is it hard to help at home? If so, this fun and exciting 10 week course could be for you! - 'School English / Maths Explained'. **Venue:** Central Library Tuesday 9.30 – 11.30am, starting 26th September 2017, To book contact Dorothy on 024 7678 7907 Or email: dorothy.hunter@coventry.gov.uk

Funeral announcement of Gerard Martin McManus who died at UHCW, 2, Soden close, Coventry, CV3 3DA whose reception is on 25th Sept at 6.00pm and Requiem Mass is on 26th Sept at 2.10pm. May his soul rest in peace.



AJ Missions



St. Osburgs



St. Marys



St. Elizabeth

Parish Newsletter - 25th Sunday -Year A - 24th Sept to 1st Oct 2017

THE CHALLENGES OF MISSION WORK HAVE NO END.

I'm spending few days visiting some parishes both new and old to gain some experiences. Above all I want to see how African priests spend their time. Here God blessed the churches with so many vocations since nearly every parish has no less than three priests. Some parishes are old such that some infrastructure is falling to pieces. Other parishes are very new, just being established such that you might not know where to start. But there is one thing in common to both: it is the great number of people who have such interest and enthusiasm to build their churches.

This morning I visited a place where the bishop of Masaka diocese John Baptist Kaggwa has asked the Apostles of Jesus missionaries to establish a parish. It is located in Katovu area along Masaka Mbarara highway. It is very humbling to be here. The church is just a shed. The two priests are literally sleeping rough. I had a shower literally in the open (I waited till night fell). I have not come across priests so happy like the two missionaries here. They are hopeful that one day the parish will grow and all the sufferings and sacrifices now being made be part of history.

As I spend the night here, I fully realise that it is the duty of each baptised to do something for the building of the church. There is a lot of poverty among the people here but we cannot fail to recognise the great wealth of Faith that these people possess. Everyone feels obliged to do something.

We who live in places where physical sacrifices for the faith may not be experienced, we need to realise that we are challenged to walk along with those who struggle to expand the mission of the church and to keep alive the gift of faith in the mission's. Let us not feel burdened when we are called for duty, but instead feel privileged that we are asked to do something.

The two priests here Fr. Richard Ntambaazi and Andrew Ssali are living a very simple dedicated life with so many sacrifices. They hope that one day they will have a priest house in which to stay. It is this hope that sustains them and propels them into constant action. They are looking forward to start building a priest house in this wilderness to start with. I notice some goats are being reared here to be sold later on to raise money to build a priest house. Please remember the two priests sent to establish a parish here. Let us support them with our prayers and goodwill. If we can send them something please let me know next week.

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.... £ 55.00 **Loose.....**£290.02 **Total.....**£ 345.02

Sat. lunches....£ 126.35 **Restoration.£** 336.71 **Heating.....**£32.37

2nd Collection: 17th September— £131.32

Thank you and God bless you all.

Second collection : 24th Sept : Father Hudson's Society

Todays 11.30 am Mass will be celebrated for His Eminence Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor Let us come together to give thanks to God for his generous service to the church and pray for his soul.

Macmillan Cake and Coffee Day - St.Osburg's is holding a Macmillan Coffee 'morning' on Friday 29th September. It will be in the Foyer from 10am to 3pm and all are welcome to come and support this deserving cause, as well as enjoying good food and good company.

St. Osburg's Christmas Bazaar: The Bazaar this year will be on Saturday 25th November. We will hold a bazaar planning meeting on Monday 25th September at 7pm in the Priory. If you have any ideas or would like to help, please put this meeting in your diary.

Collection for SVP will be first weekend October.

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.

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

MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEKS from –24th Sept to 1st Oct 2017

Sat	23	11.45am	Owen Healey (Anni), Betty Stapleton (Anni)
		5.30pm	Martin Shally (Spl Int), Ann Bacon (Spl Int)
Sun	24	11.30am	Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor (RIP), Nuala Gaffney (Sp Int/Get well), Elizita Cabral (RIP)
Mon	25	12.10pm	Nuala Molloy (RIP)
Tues	26	12.10pm	Gerard McManus (FUNERAL)
Wed	27	12.10pm	Mary Holderness (RIP), Cecilia & Edward Toman (RIP)
Thurs	28	12.10am	Breda Quaid, Stuart Davis (Birthday)
Fri	29	12.10pm	Peter Hennessey, Johnnie Possel (RIP)
Sat	30	11.45am	Pauline Sheehan (Birthday)
		5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun	01	11.30am	Margaret Magee (1 st Anniversary)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 23rd September 2017

24th September 2017

5.00pm	Maria & Ann F (R)	11.30am	June & Charles (R)
	Bernadette (E)		Zen, Teresa (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 Correvisgandis 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.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time : Hanlon James Anthony, Duffy John Joseph, Whelon Christine, Jacob Christine, Kean Gerard Peter, Arbolino Buono Pene, Seaman Frank, David O'Reilly, Alva Saunders

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) : . 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. The classes will begin in October at St. Mary's and the participants will meet weekly for six months in the Lady's Chapel. If you are interested, **please** contact either Fr. Jimmy, Fr. Sunday or Fr. Pontius .