

Matters of importance

Congratulations on your graduation: Fr. Moses and I would like to congratulate all the International Students who form part of our three parish community who made their graduation from Coventry University last week. Thank you for your hard work. We also extend our congratulations to your parents and benefactors who have made all possible sacrifices to see you achieve such academic success. With the certificate in your hands, the hard work now begins.

Multicultural Mass has been organised to be celebrated at St. Elizabeth Church Foleshill on 14th August 2016 starting at 3:00pm. It will be the 10th anniversary since the commonly celebrated African Day was launched in 2006. After the Mass there will be a grand reception in the parish garden to which everyone will be welcome. I'm sure Fr. Moses will be delighted to see us all.

Visiting priest: we have a visiting priest Fr. Jacob Assenga a member of my Religious Order who has come to make his graduation at Coventry University. He is a Tanzanian citizen and works in Tanzania Region. Welcome and congratulations.

Thank you : I would like to thank those who make Sunday tea and coffee in our parish centre. This is a social event that has not only brought us together to chat over a cup of tea or coffee but has also raised money for SVP and for St. Osburgs Church. I would like to ask anyone who can volunteer their time, put the kettle on, on Sunday morning and prepare tea. This is a valuable pastoral and social outreach which we should not lose. Please speak to me after the Mass.

Good letter from St. Osburgs School Governors: Wow! What an amazing year we have had at St Osburg's! We have many things to celebrate, things to be thankful for and new challenges to face in the upcoming academic year. As the governing body, we are proud of our school: the children, the teachers and the non-teaching staff. They have worked together as a learning Catholic community to overcome some of the momentous challenges they have faced this year.

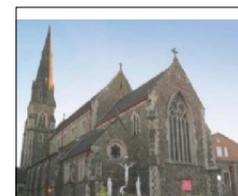
We are pleased with our Ofsted inspection in February where we were graded an overall good, and this was further complemented by the outstanding grade given by the section 48 RE inspection that followed shortly afterwards. Although we are more than delighted with both outcomes, even the best of us have areas to improve, and we as a governing body will continue to offer rigorous challenge to the leadership team to move the school to outstanding in all areas. One of the key areas that was commented on in both inspections, and through our monitoring visits, is that the children are a credit to their family, school and parish community. Keep on shining!

From our monitoring visit, which as governors is part of our role, we know that St Osburg's provides an enriched, fun educational experience, a creative curriculum approach. This is evident in the many enrichment opportunities the children have had this year, such as the residential visits to Wales and to Alton Castle, the Year 6 end of year

production, 'Lion King' and many others. These activities and the good education that is provided at St Osburgs is down to the dedication, the strong work ethic and the sacrifices the staff at St Osburgs make to ensure each child is given the best opportunities, and lovely memories to cherish." To be continued next week.



AJ Missions



St. Osburgs



St. Marys



St. Elizabeth

Parish Newsletter—17th SUNDAY YEAR C 24th to 31st July 2016

IF THIS IS WHAT MY PARENTS DID FOR ME, WOE TO ME IF I DON'T RESPECT THEM

During the week, I visited a family recently blessed with a baby. What a wonderful feeling to see a new baby and how much a baby means in the life of a loving couple. That tiny soul is the determining factor of the family's activity. The parents are very close, minding each and every moment of the baby. The dad told me that the baby is very active in the night; although she seemed to be fully asleep at the time of my visit. Once midnight sets in, she wakes up, plays a lot and longs for the mom's breast.

I'm quite sure that all of us without exception kept our parents awake through the night at one point or the other, but very few of us ever remember to pay back in thanksgiving for what they did for us. I'm not talking about giving them money, taking them on expensive holidays or showing them the big academic papers we have achieved which some of them never dreamed of getting. I'm talking about giving a parent due respect, true obedience, availability and loving engagement with an ageing parent.

The Holy Bible is categorical in demanding that we honour our parents. In the hierarchy of the Ten Commandments parents are second to God since after the first three commandments which talk about God, the 4th commandment talks about the parents ([Ex 20:12](#)). Honouring parents is the only commandment in bible that promises long life as a reward. Those who honour their parents are blessed ([Jer 35:18-19](#)). In contrast, those with a "depraved mind" and those who exhibit ungodliness are characterized by disobedience to parents ([Rom 1:30](#); [2Tim 3:2](#)).

A good number of people including teachers in schools are amazed by disrespect some children have towards their superiors. Much of this is learned in the home especially if contempt and negative criticisms are common in family conversations. As children mature, the obedience that they learned encouraged and demanded by their parents serves them well in honouring other authorities such as the authority of the church, government, the police, and employers. The promise of a long life is the pledge of God's lifelong protection, guidance, deliverance and provision. Surely, there is hardly anything more precious than living in a loving relationship with your parents. In fact, you did not choose your parents. God did. And His design is for you to live your entire life in a continual state of honour and blessing.

"Long life comes to him who honours his father, he who sets his mother at ease is showing obedience to the Lord. Support your father in his old age, do not grieve him during his life. Even if his mind should fail, show him sympathy, do not despise him in your health and strength, for kindness to a father shall not be forgotten. The man who deserts his father is no better than a blasphemer and who ever angers his mother is accursed of the Lord." Sirach 3:1-18.

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Parish development

1st collection.
Gift aid..... £ 89.39
Loose..... £343.09
Total..... £432.48 Thanks for your generosity.

Marriage Bans are announced of Anita Grace Clarke of Trensale Avenue, Coundon Coventry daughter of Gerard and Bridget Clarke, would like to get married to James Richard Cass of Trensale Avenue Coundon son of David Cass and Yvonne Camfield.

Marriage bans are announced of Maureen Chimuanya Onokomma daughter of Mr and Mrs. Anthony And Justina Onokomma of oguta, imo state would like to get married to Kelechi Rowland Onwusasoanya, son of Late Ajikweonu and Edna Onwusasoanya of Isingwu Umukwenuta village in Abia state. If there is someone who knows why they should not get married let him (keep quiet) inform the parish priest.

Marriage bans are announced of Darren Kenneth Robinson of 9 Grapes Close Radford Coventry CV6 1LZ son of Arthur Kenneth Robinson and Linda Robinson would like to get married with Kelly Louise Jones of 11 Adden Broke Road Kersley Coventry CV7 8LG, daughter of Kevin Jones and Eileen Jones. This marriage is scheduled to take place on 30th July 2016. If there is anyone who knows why they should not get married to each other please contact the priests

St. Osburgs 300 Club July Draw winners: 1st Prize No. 278 E' Higgins, 2nd prize No. 525 McCooley, 3rd prize No. 152 McShane, 4th prize No. 611 Smailes, 5th prize No. 455 Taylor. Congratulations to our dear winners. Thanks for the continual support of all

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

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Mass Book pg. No. 56

TIMES OF MASSES DURING THE WEEK from 24th to 31st July 2016

Sat	23	11.45am	Gallagher family (Spl int)
		5.30pm	Patsy Ke (Spl int)
Sun	24	11.30am	Denise Moore (Spl int)
Mon	25	12.10pm	Mary Dooley (RIP), Christine Srtong (Get well)
Tues	26	12.10pm	Deceased members of SVP
Wed	27	12.10pm	Maria Conway (RIP)
Thurs	28	12.10pm	Mary Galvin (RIP)
Fri	29	12.10pm	Nancy Cunningham (RIP)
Sat	30	11.45am	Mary Dooley (RIP)
		5.30pm	Ken Cook (RIP)
Sun	31	11.30am	Charlotte Culleton (Spl int)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 23rd/24th July 2016

Weekend 30th/31st July 2016

5:30 pm	Bernadette, Ann E (R)	Maria, Ann F (R)
	Zen (E)	Bernadette (E)
11.30am	Janet, Charles (R)	Maggie, June (R)
	Catherine, Patsy (E)	June, Teresa (E)

Please pray for the sick of the parish: Eileen McHugh, Laurence Gallen, Ron Hamilton, Garry Hobbs, Teresa Rynne, Cameron Reilly, Carla Lawrence, Josie Kennedy, Terence Harris, Patrick Connolly, Mark Correvisgandis Anne, Bacia, Colin Hiperson, Kathleen Tierney, Diane Cunningham, Kieran Connell, Ahmed Musa, Carol Sparks, Ruth Glithero, 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.

Please pray for those whose anniversary occur about this time : O'Reilly Patrick, Smolak Cecilia, Duffy Bridget, Doyle Bridget, Leggaie John, McNamara John, Pine Dean Thomas.

It is holiday time, a moment we get out to meet friends and to rest. Please do not forget our Christian duty to go to Sunday Mass wherever you happen to be during this time. There is great joy when Catholics in other parishes know that you joined them for Sunday Mass. Holiday time is indeed a good time to show to others what the Sunday Mass means to us. Please have a good time.

Donation to St. Osburgs: I would like to thank the Christians of St. Thomas More who meet regurary for Saturday morning coffee and tea for sending to St. Osburgs the money they raise. Mrs. Janet Ward has sent to me £50.00 from the contributions for the restoration. Of our church, for which we are so grateful.