

MASSES FROM 1st to 8th July 2018

Sun	01	9.30am	Holy souls, Patricia Gibbons (RIP)
		11.30am	Patrick O'Boyle, Thomas Cosgrove (RIP) Peace in Cameroon, Rissa Togoto (spl int)
Mon	02	9.30am	Anthony Hoban, Jim Meehan (RIP)
Tues	03	9.30am	Mary O'Sullivan (RIP)
Wed	04	9.30am	Mary Lynch (RIP)
Thurs	05	9.30am	Sr. Agostina Thomas (RIP)
Fri	06	6.00pm	Prayer for priests
		7.00pm	Sr. Michael Berardo (RIP)
Sat	07	9.30am	Sr. Clara Tirkey (RIP)
Sun	08	9.30am	James Byrne, Una Anderson (RIP)
		11.30am	Mama Magdaline Akenji (RIP), Russel De Lara (Spl int)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

1st July 2018

9.30am James M. & Noah (R)
Betty Osagie (E)

11.30am Rochela, Mary (E)
Loveness & Vera (E)

8th July 2018

Julia H. & Celia (R)
Barbara (E)

Vanessa, Emmanuela
Patricia, Marcel (E)

Please pray for the sick of the Parish: Thomas Mee, Tony Groogan, Bishop Edwin Regan Eileen McHugh, Tony McKiernan, Mary Mulroney, John Currison, Gerard Grif-fith, Diana Best, Tess Pearkes, Sheila McLeany, Sheila Clear, Janie Patalong, Thom-as Murtagh, Job Giles, Maria Drabik, Danny Diver, Michael Clear, Max Gorman, John Kerrigan, Phyllis Mulvey, Kath Muldoon, Ann Hanley.

Anniversaries during this Week: Patrick Meehan, Phyllis Johnson, John Johnson, Thomas Anthony Gleeson, Martin Kelly, Hugh Devlin, Mary Cannon, Mary Kelly, Pat-rick Kevin Kelly, Mary Cannon, Mary Kelly, Patrick Kevin Kelly, Catherine Bridget Lo-gan, Joyce Heffernan.

Altar servers training: We have a growing group of younger altar servers. If your child would like to consider becoming an altar server please join the altar servers train-ing on 7th July at 11.00am in the church so that some training and preparations can be given.

Can you join our team? I'm looking for Catholics who can help me with Catechetical Instruction of those who wish to become members of the Catholic Church. From my experience in the last 10 years, our Parish presents a large number of candidates at the Rite of Election which takes place few weeks before Easter at St. Chads Cathedral in Birmingham. I wish to know if there some people within our faith community who would wish to join the Parish Catechetical Team to share their faith with those people who wish to join the Catholic Church. Please let me know.



A.J. Missions



St. Osburg



Ss. Mary & Benedict



St. Elizabeth

Parish News letter– 13th Sunday in Ordinary time 1st to 8th July 2018

Dear Parishioners,

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION

I wish to thank you for the work you did in preparation and celebration of the 25 years of my ordination. All of you were involved in activities of one kind or of the other, but in the end all things came together.

In one of my homilies I asked you to bring the children to that event. The reason for my request was to satisfy my desire that may be one day, these children having seen occasions of that kind might put their lives at the service of others. Thanks to those parents who brought their chil-dren to that Mass. I ask you to continue speaking to them about the sig-nificance of the celebration.

While it is true that the celebration centred on the Grace of God working in the priest, we should not forget that it centred also on the Grace of God working in the people since the priest does not work in isolation. I wish to thank the people who have kept me as a priest for 25 years. They made sure that I remained one. If the priest is surrounded by peo-ple who want to pull him down, how would he survive? On the contrary, all the people that have come into my life, it was for the purpose of sup-porting me to be a priest. For all these people, I'm thankful to God.

Some people have spoken to me about my tears at the beginning of the Mass. "*Father Jimmy*", one child asked me afterwards, "*why did you cry?*" Well the absence of my family members touched me, just as the pres-ence of each one of you. Thank you for the food you so generously pre-pared and brought for all to share. Thanks to the parish choir who sang so well, thanks to the flower lady and for the flowers. Thank you for the cards you sent to me. Thanks to the entire organizing committee.

Let us continue to do our best, to support each other and to pray for each other. Just as the five fingers of our hands need each other irre-spective of their size, so, we too need each other to build our families, our parish and the society in general. If you think that you can go it alone, I'm sure you are mistaken.

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

Collection: Gift Aid: £235.94 **Non-Gift Aid:**292.23 **£Total :** £528.17

Counters : Vera & Phil

Mass Attendance : 332 **Bonus Ball :** No. 26 M. Hogan

Second collection : 1st July—Peter's Pence

Forthcoming Second Collections July to August 2018 : 8th July , Apostleship of the sea.

Pious Devotions

Prayer for priests every first Friday of the month from 6 – 7pm.

Rosa Mystica on 13th of every month between 2.00pm & 3.00pm.

The Lady's Chapel is open from **8.30am to 4:00pm** throughout the week. You are all welcome to spend time in prayer before the Lord.

Church cleaning: 8.00am to 9.30am

Confessions : Every Saturday from 10am to 11.00am

Feasts of the week : 3rd July— St. Thomas, Apostle : lived in Galilee when it was part of the ancient Roman Empire and became one of Jesus's disciples when Jesus called him to join his ministry work. St. Thomas is most famous for how he interacted with Jesus Christ after the miracle of Jesus' Resurrection from the dead. God performed many miracles through Thomas to help the people with whom Thomas shared the Gospel message -- in Syria, Persia, and India. Thomas died in India in 72 AD as a martyr for his faith when an Indian king, angry that he couldn't get Thomas to worship an idol, ordered his high priest to stab Thomas with a spear.

St. Maria Goretti : is an Italian virgin-martyr of the Catholic Church, and one of the youngest canonised saints.

COVENTRY PIONEER ASSOCIATION – There will be a Pioneer Meeting on Friday 6th July at Christ the King, after the 7pm Mass in the Library.

Matters of Importance

Fr. Moses to climb Mt. Snowdon in Wales: as he turns 50 to raise money for the training of priests in the Institute of the Apostles of Jesus. The walk will take place on 16th of August 2018, fifty one years when a decision to start a religious missionary Institute in Africa was taken on 16th August 1967. Because of Fr. Moses' challenging walk, we shall not make sponsored walk this year, instead let us support Fr. Moses in his challenge to climb the tallest mountains in Wales for the training of missionary priests. Sponsorship forms are available at the back of the church. Fr. Moses will come and talk to us about his challenging walk at some point.

Come Back to the Church: The Catholic Churches in the Archdiocese of Birmingham welcome all people to come and visit or worship with us. You needn't be a baptised Catholic to walk through the doors of our Church or to stay and pray during Mass. We are very happy that you have come to visit us. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or finding out more about the Catholic faith then speak to the priest or to one of the parish Sisters. There is a period of instruction prior to being received into the Church that people go through so that they may better understand Catholic beliefs and why we do the things that we do. This is called the Rite of Christian Initiation or is more commonly known as **RCIA** . This is offered to small groups in some parishes or may be delivered on a one-to-one basis. If you are already a Catholic but have been away for the Church for any amount of time, please know that you are most welcome to return. You may wish to speak to your parish priest about Confession. Be assured that it is always a great source of joy when someone returns to the Church after being away from the faith. The priest will be very understanding if you are returning and let him know how long it has been since your last Confession, he will be happy to guide you through the process. As we celebrate the 25 years of the Ordination of our parish priest, many people will turn up for the occasion not because it is a party time but because they value the meaning and ministry of Catholic Priesthood.

Head of Parish Catechetics The Archdiocese of Birmingham invites applications for a Head of Parish Catechetics who will lead in promoting and supporting faith formation in the diocese in the context of New Evangelization.. The Post will be based at Maryvale. Applicants should be practicing Roman Catholics, qualified to degree level in Catholic Theology and with a qualification and experience in Catechetics. The Post will involve substantial travel around the Archdiocese. Applicants should have their own transport and be prepared to work unsocial hours as needed. The post is open to suitable experienced layperson, a professed Religious or permanent Deacon.. For more information visit maryvale.ac.uk or contact Fr. Edward Clare, Director Maryvale Institute, Old Oscott Hill Birmingham B44 9AG or call 0121 360 8118. Closing date for applications is Friday 6th July 2018.

The Golden Jubilee Celebration of the Apostles of Jesus Missionaries: This year is the 50th anniversary of the foundation of the Religious Missionary Institute of the Apostles of Jesus. A Thanksgiving Mass will be at St. Osburgs, 11th July at 7.00pm, Bishop William Kenny the main celebrant. You are welcome to join us to celebrate and pray for our Institute.

