

## Parish News & Notices

**Envelopes for the Holy Souls:** The envelopes for Holy Souls are now available in church.

**Sunday School:** We would like to restart the Sunday School at St Osburg's - the parish requires volunteers who are able and willing to organise Sunday School to give in their names to Fr Pontius or Fr Sunday.

**Mass Intentions:** The diary for 2019 is now in the sacristy if anyone would like to book in advance. Please remember to book mass intention at least 2 weeks in advance if you wish a particular day.

**Piety Stall Update:** Please take a look! We have a selection of Mass Cards for different occasions; for Special Intentions, Sympathy, In memorial. Also Mass Bouquet cards for birthdays and Christmas, as well as Calendar cards for 2019, devotional candles and gifts.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** There will be a meeting for new Eucharistic Ministers on Saturday 27th October from 10.30am - 3.30pm. The annual Day of Recollection for all Eucharistic ministers is on 24th November. The venue for both is St. Joseph the Worker Parish Room at 10;30 am to 3:30pm.

**Mass for the Housebound and Sick:** will be on the **11th November 2018 at 3:00pm**. The kitchen and the Hall will be required for the preparations from Friday the 9th—11th November, no other activities will take place, apart from Saturday Lunch.

**Church Choir:** Have you recently joined St Osburg's? Do you like singing? You are welcome to join our church choir, which sings at mass on Sunday morning, and at major feasts. Practices are at 10.30am on Sundays and no previous experience is necessary, just the ability to sing in tune.

**Vespers and Benediction**—thank you to all those who have been coming. The next celebration will be next week, Sunday 28th October, at 6.00pm

**The RCIA Course (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults):** The Course has started, it is after Vigil mass, 6:30pm to 7:30pm. All those who have registered are required to attend.

**“The Gift” - a Life in the Spirit Course:** You are warmly invited to join us on a new and exciting DVD course which has been given an Apostolic Blessing by Pope Francis. “The Gift” will be presented at St Osburg's over six Thursday afternoons from 1.30 - 3.00pm beginning on Thursday 27th September.

**Parish Christmas Bazaar:** Tickets for the Bazaar Draw are now available and can be collected after Mass.

**Coventry Intercultural Mass:** This will take place on Sunday 21st Oct. at St. John Fisher Church, Tiverton Rd Coventry at 3:00 pm . Please check details on the notice board.

**University Hospital Lay Volunteers:** Can you give an hour or two a week to visit Catholic patients in University Hospital, Walsgrave? This is a wonderful way to give back to the hospital that may have helped you or a loved one, and to serve the Catholic community in Coventry and beyond. If you are interested in being a volunteer, please contact the hospital chaplain, Fr Paul Burch, on 024 7696 7515 or [paul.burch@uhcw.nhs.uk](mailto:paul.burch@uhcw.nhs.uk).

**Saturday Lunches , CAFOD Soup and Sunday Refreshments** will restart this weekend. We always welcome more volunteers to help provide the Lunches. Please contact Janet W. for details. It is an urgent need for our parish. Thank you for responding and giving your time and resources to help the Parish of St. Osburg.



St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

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### **LEADERSHIP AS SERVICE IN CHRISTIAN FAITH**

The meaningful existence of human society depends on the strength and honesty of leadership. In ordinary terms leadership is a process whereby an individual effectively influences a group of individuals to achieve a common goal. An effective leader is one who uses the authority vested in him or her to direct and control individual aspirations to a unifying theme. The confidence to direct individuals to a common purpose, calls for self- sacrifice, generosity, and at times giving up some personal comfort, fame and energy. The leaders should not put their personal interests before those they lead. The leader is to walk by the side of those led, in order to understand the individual needs. Self-interest and search for positions or personal fame can generate lots of disagreements and misunderstandings.

In today's Gospel, Christ advised the disciples that if any of them wanted to be the greatest, he should be a servant or slave of all. *He came not to be served but to serve and to give his life to redeem many (Mk10:45)*. The leadership Christ taught them was of sacrifice and promotion of the needs of the other, as climaxed on the Cross. The proper leadership in Christian outlook is to serve by donating one's personal gains for the good of those being led. It's an invitation to selfless living. Christ mentions it as drinking the cup to John and James (*Mk10:38*). It calls for pain and loss to denounce what seems good to us do to, but does not meet the requirements of God's Kingdom. Searching for personal gains and comforts in Christian leadership may not meet the true target of Christian faith. We should be able to sacrifice our attitudes, feelings and thoughts about certain convictions of life that block us from being authentic leaders in our Christian life. We need to break away from those thoughts of favouritism, prejudice, greed, segregation, disunity or selfish tendencies, which cannot encourage common ground of Christian action or unity. Christ, as the perfect leader, gave His life to save us, so we are called to give out that which is much valued for our own personal comfort or gains to help others in need, in order to keep our Christian unity and dignity. We need to develop our love for God and fellow human beings, instead of seeking for positions and recognitions, which in turn bring conflicts and dissatisfaction in life.

May this 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday deepen our understanding of the mission of Christ to serve other than to be served.

**Fr. Pontius Bandua**

### The Most Holy Sacrament and St. Osburg

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**Parish Priest: Fr. Pontius** 074 2455 3529 and **Asst. Fr. Sunday** 074 4802 9184

**Parish Sisters:** Sr. Philomena and Sr. Teresa (PBVM)

**Parish Safeguarding Representative:** Anne Collins 024 7667 0304

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**Headteacher:** Mrs Nicola Rynott.

### St. Mary & St. Benedict R.C Church

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### St. Elizabeth's R.C. Church

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Parish priest: Fr. Moses Pitya David AJ

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### Parish Income

**Sunday Collection - Gift aid:** £118.40 **Loose:** £268.05 **Total:** £386.45

**Candles:** £111.00 **Church Heating:** £31.06 **Restoration:** £68.72

**Hall hire:** £125.00 **Rent:** £775 **Second Collection (Prisoners):** £152.48

Thank you for your generosity

**Second Collection:** Today there is second collection for the work of the Missions.

### 300 Club September Draw

#### Winners:

1st Prize	671	M Williams	3rd Prize	32	T Magee
2nd Prize	404	J Corrigan	4th Prize	153	M Kelly

In the event of any queries, contact Ann Fenton on tel 024 7659 9544

**Silence in the Church:** In order to speak to the Lord and prepare ourselves for Mass, please keep silence in the Church. We can hold conversations outside. Thank you for respecting your neighbour.

**The Month of October: Praying the Rosary,** Pope Francis has said that praying the Rosary is good for your heart, good for your soul, good for your whole life. When you pick up your rosary you are taking Mary's hand in yours. In the prayer Mary will lead you to know God's plans for you in life. We pray for vocations to religious life and priesthood in our Archdiocese of Birmingham. The Holy Father the Pope has asked for prayers for the Church through daily Rosary calling on Our Mother Mary for protection and intercessions, the spiritual defence of Archangel Michael.

**When do the clocks go back?** We'll be gaining an hour as from Sunday 28th October 2018. From 2am in the morning. Please check that for Mass time.

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

### MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEK, 20th - 28th October 2018

Sat	20	11.45am	Kath Bradley (RIP) Maurice Eardley (RIP)
		5.30pm	Pete Murphy (RIP anniv) Jason Tutty (RIP)
Sun	21	11.30am	People of the Parish Kath Bradley (RIP)
Mon	22	12.10pm	Martin Murphy (RIP) Michael Burke (RIP)
Tues	23	12.10pm	Bridget Jones (RIP) Michael Burke (RIP)
Wed	24	12.10pm	Maurice Eardley (RIP) Private Mass Intention Edmond Hartnett (RIP)
Thurs	25	9.00am	School Mass
		12.10pm	Bridie & Arthur Williamson (RIP) Isolee Gillen & James Gillen (Anniv)
Fri	26	12.10pm	FUNERAL—Thomas Caffrey
Sat	27	11.45am	Sara Hancocks (Birthday)
		5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun	28	11.30am	Patrick Tully (RIP)

### Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

#### Saturday 20th October

**5.30pm** Ann E & Bernadette (R)  
Maggie (E)

#### Sunday 21st October

**11.30am** June & Charles (R)  
Catherine & Patsy (E)

**Cleaners:** This week's team is Team 1

**Please pray for those who are sick in the parish:** We pray for all the sick in the parish, asking God to be with them in their need.

*Inclusion on this list now requires consent for the names to appear. Please fill the form in sacristy.*

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:**

Kieran Kelly, Boyd Gough, John Gill, Patrick Murphy, Mary Kelly, Daniel Donohue, Sinead Kelly, Michael Kelly, Alva Saunders, James Giltrap, Elizabeth Dodds, Agnes Wickham, Michelle McCamphill.

