

Parish News & Notices

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) . This Sunday invites us to reflect on the abundant mercy of God and we are called to be merciful to our fellow brothers and sisters as we journey in this world. Let us renew our faith in the Sacrament of Penance.

Divine Mercy Prayers: These will be conducted on Webcam at St. Mary's Parish at 3:00pm. https://www.mcnmedia.tv/cameras/county/west-midlands_

Guide lines due to Coronavirus: Public Masses and services suspended until further notice. Follow the daily masses on Parish Webcam. Go to MCN—ST. OSBURG CHURCH. 12:10pm Weekday and 11:30am for Sunday. Also Saturday 11:45am and 5:30pm.

The closure of the church: The Church has been closed for Private visits. Please pray from home and follow the daily prayers in the church from webcam.

The Spire: Survey and repair works on the church Spire set to resume on Monday 27th April, but following the guide lines of social distancing.

The Parish New Contacts: The Parish has a new Website link <https://www.sto-cov.org.uk> Email address: pp.stosburg@gmail.com

Youth leadership training; This has been suspended for the time being.

Devotions: The Rosary takes place after the daily masses in the church. Eucharistic Adoration is on Friday and Saturday. Vespers and Benediction are on the First Thursday of every month and on the Last Sunday of every month. Please note that these devotions are on livestream, follow them on webcam.

RCIA: Baptism and Confirmation will be celebrated until the public Masses are allowed. We pray for the RCIA Catechumens and candidates.

Catholic Papers: The papers have been cancelled for the time being until public masses are opened.

Fundraising resources: Parish Hall: As our Parish Hall and Kitchen have been improved, I encourage you and your friends to come and use it for your parties or ceremonies (Birthday, Anniversaries, Graduations, Weddings, Rehearsals for drama/music, Meetings and any others). For Hall hire, please call Angelo Rodrigues on 07886456952. **The bookings have been cancelled and suspended.**

Marriage Matters—Maryvale reflections by Lianne Pap

Second Sunday of Easter (Acts 2:42-47 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31 **Together**ness.

Our 'togetherness' in what we do and say is a 'sign' of our love and a source of joy for us. Sometimes, like Thomas, we can be stubborn, with an attitude of 'I'll believe it when I see it' creating a sense of separation and distance. But together we have the power to stop, reflect, be forgiven, and begin again.



St. Osburg's



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St Mary's



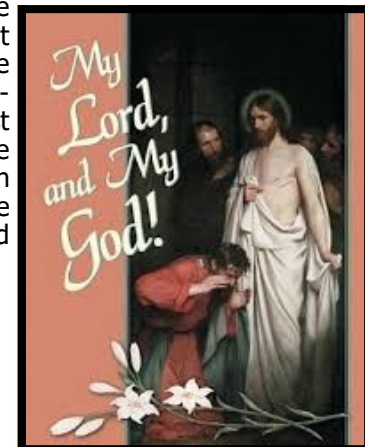
St Elizabeth's

**Parish Newsletter – Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday
19th April 2020**

"MY LORD AND MY GOD"

Most often, in the modern times people tend to easily accept things which can be quantified and measured as basis for true knowledge. The religious belief goes beyond these categories of quantification and verification because it is based on faith enlightened by reason and revelation. "Faith is man's response to God, who reveals himself and gives himself to man, at same time bringing man a super abundant light as he searches for ultimate meaning of his life" (CC.26). The Christian faith is centred on Christ who is the complete revelation of God in relation to His creation. When one develops personal relationship with God, he or she can confidently say, "My Lord and My God", like St. Thomas expressing his faith in the Risen Lord.

Today we celebrate the 2nd Sunday of Easter, which gives more reflection on the personal encounter of the disciples with the Lord and the conferring of the authority to forgive sins to the disciples, when he said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven, for those whose sins you retain, they are retained". (Jn20:22-23). The Sacrament of Reconciliation was instituted on that day. The abundant mercy of God was clearly shown at his point, that he will continue to forgive those who seek for forgiveness. It is a reminder to us as Christians that, our Lord is merciful and we should also learn to be merciful to our fellow human beings. As mentioned in the First reading, in the Acts of Apostles, the first Christians lived in community, caring for the needy and sharing things in common. It should be similar to us today as we live in a world that is torn apart by disease and individualism. We should try to show the uniqueness of our Christian life by acts of charity, forgiveness and generosity. As we celebrate the Eucharist daily, (though temporarily not together), to bring us close to each other and remember God's mercy and love which we should extend to the ends of the world. Today as we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, let us promote peace and forgiveness in the world.



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Parish Income

Gift aid: £ **Loose:** £ **Total:** £
Candles: £ **Restoration:**
Heating: £ **Piety:** £

The appeal of the Parish Priest: Dear parishioners, I encourage you to keep your weekly contributions until public masses are allowed. You may bring them all at once when the public Masses will start. You can also call any of the Finance Committee members especially John on Mob No. 07503179735 to guide you to make Direct debt or Gift Aid to support the church at this difficult time. Thank you for the support.

300 Club March Draws Winners

First prize: 028 G. Trickett Second Prize: 305 A. Joyce
Third prize: 329 B McDonald Fourth Prize: 223 N. Wilson

Congratulations to the winners! Any queries, contact Ann Fenton on 024 7659 9544

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

MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEK live stream on the web cam, 19th April -26th April

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Sat	18	11:45am	Maria Scott and family intentions
		05:30pm	Holy souls
			Elizabeth Wiltshire (Get well)
Sun	19	11.30am	People of the Parish
			Luke and John (intentions)
			Luke and James (intentions)
Mon	20	12:10pm	Elizabeth McDonald (Birth Day
			Holy Souls
Tue	21	12.10pm	Neula Gaffney's Sp intentions
			Neula Gaffney's family sp. intentions
Wed	22	2.10pm	Deceased members of Timmons family
			Deceased members of Manus family
Thurs.	23	12:10pm	Solemnity of St. George, Patron of England:
			The Connor Family intentions
Fri	24	12:10pm	Andrew McGranaghan (RIP)
Sat	25	11: 45am	Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist
		05:30pm	
Sun	26	11.30am	People of the Parish

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday

05:30 (R)
(E)

Sunday

11.30am: (R)
(E)

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.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Lewis Thomas, Casey Peter, James Mary, Hainey Richard, O'Connor Philomena and Woodward Veronica

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