

## **Parish News & Notices**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter:** This Sunday invites us to reflect on prayer and unity of Christians. At the same time to reflect on the coming of the Holy Spirit to renew our lives and the face of the earth. It is also Communication Sunday.

**Novena prayers for Pentecost:** I request you to make special prayers in preparation for the Solemnity of Pentecost which will be next Sunday 31st May. The novena started on 22nd and will end on 30th May. Daily after Mass, we recite the short prayer during this period.

**Updated Webcam Camera:** Dear parishioners this is to inform you, that the Webcam Camera has been upgraded. Please go to the Parish website click on the link;

**<https://watchmcnmedia.tv/camera/stosburgs.html>**

I would like to thank Con McHugh who has donated and installed the new camera. May the Lord bless his generous hands.

**The Parish New Contacts:** The Parish has a new Website link <https://www.stocov.org.uk> Email address: [pp.stosburg@gmail.com](mailto:pp.stosburg@gmail.com)

**COVENTRY'S LOCAL AIR QUALITY ACTION PLAN:** Coventry City council is proposing to close the road junction at Barras Lane and open up Upper Hill Street to two-way traffic leading onto the Ring Road. This proposal is part of a business plan that has to be submitted to central government. It would have a great impact on our primary school and our church. The plans can be viewed on the council website. **Advice:** On this issue (Road Plan), the Dean has advised me to be in touch with the Diocese in order to get technical advice from both the City Council and the Diocesan authorities.

**The Pentecost Retreat at St. Osburg 29th to 31st May 2020 Cancelled:** Due to the situation of Covid-19 pandemic, it has been cancelled from St. Osburg's Parish. The main organiser Justine has transferred it to be done on line. Come All Who Thirst online retreat 29/30/31st May. Please call her for details: Justine Gaffney on 07551096269. It is now organised by Sion Community. **Note:** the two people who contributed to support this event should take note of this change. If they do not like the change and want back their money, they should let me know by 25th May 2020. Please regarding this event now DONOT refer to St. Osburg's Parish.

**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.

**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. We shall have Evening prayers & Adoration on Sunday 31st May at 6pm.

### **Month of**

**May for the Holy Rosary:** The Holy Father Pope Francis has asked to consider seriously our prayer of intercession through **Mother Mary** in this month of May during this difficult time by praying the Rosary daily individually or collectively.

**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 cere-



**St. Osburg's**



**A.J Missions**



**St Mary's**



**St Elizabeth's**

**Parish Newsletter – Seventh Sunday of Easter  
24th May 2020**

### **"ALL THESE JOINED IN CONTINUOUS PRAYER"**

Most often, we hear people asking for prayers from their pastors, friends and relations. It has become part and parcel of our way of wishing each other well, by saying I will pray for you or you pray for me. These expressions underpin our dependence on God and our support for each other in life's journey, especially when we face crisis. Among all other prayers, what is so edifying and unifying is the prayer Lord Jesus raises to the Father in today's Gospel when he said, *I am not praying for the world but for those you have given me, because they belong to you: all I have is yours and all you have is mine.* This indicates perfect unity and cooperation between Father and Son, which all of us believers should endeavour to emulate.

Today we celebrate the 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter. It occurs between the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord and Pentecost. It is within the period of waiting for the coming of the Holy Spirit in prayer. In the first reading from the Acts of Apostles, it is mentioned that the apostles went back from the Mount of Olives and stayed in the upper room in continuous prayer together with Mary mother of the Lord. The apostles were in great difficulty because of all that had transpired with their master. After the resurrection He appeared to many of them on several occasions. This was to encourage them. Their worries again trickled back, when he ascended into heaven. At the same time, they recalled the assurance of an Advocate whom the Lord had promised, so they remained while waiting in continuous prayer. As Christians today, we need to renew our faith in the power of the Holy Spirit who guides, sanctifies and strengthens the Church. At this time when we are broken in thoughts due to untold difficulties caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. We need to trust in the Lord's promises to calm our spiritual and psychological or emotional difficulties. We are called to keep praying and supporting or encouraging each other like the first disciples of the Lord. Our Christian unity and love are expressed in prayer when we call God, "Our Father" in the Lord's prayer.

*Fr. Pontius Bandua*

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**Parish Income**

<b>Gift aid:</b> £	<b>Loose:</b> £	<b>Total</b> £
<b>Candles:</b> £	<b>Restoration:</b> £	
<b>Heating:</b> £	<b>Piety:</b> £	<b>Rent:</b> £

**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 May Draws Winners**

First prize: 326	J. Taylor	Second Prize: 279	P. Keogh
Third prize: 160	B. Kennedy	Fourth Prize: 262	E. Walsh

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, 24TH TO 31ST**

**MAY 2020**

Sat	23	11:45am	Wilson Family( special intentions)
		05:30pm	Angela Jordan RIP
Sun	24	11.30am	Maria Pereira B'day intention
Mon	25	12:10pm	Ann Fenton's family well being intention.
Tue	26	12.10pm	Deceased members of Sweeney family
Wed	27	12.10pm	Pat Sullivan RIP
Thurs.	28	12:10pm	
Fri	29	12:10pm	Davis family ( Get well intention)
Sat	30	11: 45am	Mary Dyke RIP
		05:30pm	
Sun	31	11.30am	People of the parish

**Marriage Matters—Maryvale reflections by Lianne Pap**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter The Ascension**

(Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 1:17-23 Matt 28:16-20)

***Filled with hope***

Today's readings tell us of the end and the beginning of something new and exciting in the life of the young Church.

When we married, we were filled with both excitement and trepidation for our future together. But like the disciples, the Spirit of the risen Lord has been with us since we became "Little Church" on our wedding day.

**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**

Kennedy Margaret, Mary Bridget, Angela Jordan, Long Patrick and Donnelly Robert.

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